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Foundation stone laid for SJVNL hydro project:

- Union Power Minister **R.K. Singh** and Uttarakhand Chief Minister **Trivender Singh Rawat** laid the foundation stone of public sector company **SJVNL's Naitwar Mori Hydro Electric Project**.
- The **60 MW project** is located on the river Tons – a tributary of the Yamuna, in Uttarkashi district of Uttarakhand.
- The estimated project cost as at October 2016 is **Rs. 648.33 crore**.
- Satluj Jal Vidyut Nigam Ltd's (SJVNL) Chairman and Managing Director: **Nand Lal Sharma**

E-way bill for inter-state movement of goods rolled out:

- The Nationwide electronic or **e-way bill system** for inter-state movement of goods has been started.
- **Karnataka** is the only State which has implemented the e-way bill system for moving goods within the State. The State has been using the e-way bill platform since September last year for intra-state movement of goods.
- The transporters have to produce a e-way bill for moving goods worth over **Rs 50,000** from one State to another.
- The system has been designed and developed by **National Informatics Centre (NIC)**.

NHAI Awarded Projects Worth Rs 1.22 lakh crore in FY18

- **The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI)** said it has awarded projects worth Rs 1,22,000 crore for constructing about 7,400 km of highways in the fiscal 2017-18.
- In Financial Year 2017-18, NHAI has awarded 150 road projects of **7,400-kilometre worth Rs 1,22,000 crore**.
- In last 5 years, the average length of road projects awarded by NHAI was 2,860 Km with 4,335 Km awarded in the last financial year.

NHAI

- **Headquarters:** New Delhi
- **Chairman:** Deepak Kumar

ISRO loses contact with GSAT-6A

- The **Indian Space Research Organisation** has lost contact with the GSAT-6A in less than 48 hours after it has been launched.
- **GSAT-6A**, is a high power communication satellite which aimed to have a mission life of about 10 years.
- It **aimed to provide mobile communication for India** with multi-band coverage facility.
- **ISRO chairman: Sivan**
- **Headquarters: Bengaluru**
- **India Rankings 2018 for Higher Educational Institutions:**
- Human Resources Minister **Prakash Javadekar** has released India Rankings 2018 for Higher Educational Institutions under the **National Institutional Ranking Framework, NIRF**.
- The **Indian Institute of Science (IISC)** in Bengaluru was adjudged the overall best institution in the country.
- **AIIMS New Delhi, PGIMER Chandigarh and CMC Vellore** were ranked as the top three medical colleges.
- **Indian Institute of Technology, Madras** - The best engineering college
- **Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad** - The best management institution
- **Delhi University's Miranda House** - The best college in the country
- **National Law School of India University Bengaluru** - The best law school in the country.

Government launches digital platforms for ease of farm export:

- In line with the **Digital India Initiative**, the government has developed three online portals to make it easier to export farm products from India and reduce transaction costs.
- The digital platforms, developed by the **Export Inspection Council**, have integrated the entire export food chain by linking primary production, chain catch, aquaculture pond, dairy farms and apiaries.
- It aims for credible inspection and certification and to strengthen the confidence on Indian produce.

Dharmendra Pradhan launches PMUY scheme in Delhi

- Union Minister **Dharmendra Pradhan** launched **Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana**

(PMUY) scheme in Delhi and distributed new LPG connections and cylinders to beneficiaries.

- The target of Ujjwala connections has been increased from the existing target of 5 crore **to 8 crore by 2020**.
- The PMUY was launched at **Yamuna Sports Complex in New Delhi**.
- This **Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana** has transformed the lives of more than 3.5 crore women.
- Tamil Nadu Government Launches **'Uzhavan'** Mobile App

Patna Tops In 4G Connectivity Among 20 Largest Cities

- **Patna** tops in 4G connectivity among 20 of India's largest cities. It has emerged ahead of the likes of Bengaluru, Mumbai and Delhi.
- Four cities from India's central and eastern regions—**Patna, Kanpur, Allahabad, Kolkata, Bhopal and Lucknow**—made it to the top 10.
- The report was given by OpenSignal and it was measured in terms of 4G availability metric which indicates where users can access LTE network more of the time.

India to host the IEF-16

- The **16th International Energy Forum Ministerial meeting** will be hosted by **Government of India** in **New Delhi** and co-hosted by the **Government of China and South Korea**.
- India is the **world's third-largest energy consumer** after the US and China.
- Global energy organisations, including the **Organisation of the Petroleum Exporting Countries, International Energy Agency**, will also be represented at the meet.
- IEF 16 aims to focus on how global shifts, transition policies and new technologies influence market stability and future investment in the energy sector. India had last hosted the IEF ministerial conference in 1996.

VP Venkaiah Naidu to inaugurate scientific convention on World Homoeopathy Day

- Vice President **M Venkaiah Naidu** inaugurates a scientific convention on the World Homoeopathy Day in New Delhi.
- The day, April 10 is observed to commemorate the birth anniversary of Homoeopathy founder **Dr Christian Friedrich**

Samuel Hahnemann. This year is his 263rd birth anniversary.

➤ The theme of the two-day convention is **Innovate: Evolve, Progress: Exploring Science since 40 years.**

Army inks pact for procurement of 1.86 lakh bulletproof jackets

➤ A major contract for the procurement of **1.86 lakh bulletproof jackets** has been signed after the successful conduct of field evaluation trials.

➤ The bulletproof jackets have contemporary and state-of-the-art specifications with added protection level and coverage area.

➤ The new BPs will provide **360-degree protection to the soldier in combat, including from latest hard steel core bullets.**

Defence Ministry

- **Cabinet Minister:** Nirmala Sitharaman
- **Constituency:** Rajya Sabha, Karnataka

NITI Forum for North East holds first meeting:

➤ The first meeting of newly constituted **NITI Forum for North East** was held in **Agartala.**

➤ It is to discuss ways to boost development projects in the states.

➤ The meeting was chaired by **Rajeev Kumar**, the Vice-Chairman of NITI Aayog and the co-Minister of State (Independent Charge), Minister of State for Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER), **Jitendra Singh.**

➤ As a part of it, **Pakyong Airport** has been opened in Sikkim and it is planning to start Rajdhani Express trains to New Delhi.

Eighth Regional 3R Forum in Asia and Pacific was held in Indore:

➤ The **Eighth Regional 3R Forum in Asia and the Pacific** was held in Indore, Madhya Pradesh.

➤ The mantra of **3R – Reduce, Reuse and Recycle** - Is at the heart of any vision towards the sustainable development of mankind.

➤ The event will be inaugurated by Smt. Sumitra Mahajan, Speaker of the Lok Sabha and Sh. Hardeep S. Puri, Minister of State (I/C), Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Sh. Tadahiko Ito, State Minister, Ministry of the Environment, Japan

➤ The overall theme is **"Achieving Clean Water, Clean Land and Clean Air through 3R and Resource Efficiency – A 21st Century Vision for Asia-Pacific Communities".**

India Signs MoU With World EXPO 2020 Dubai:

➤ **India and World Expo 2020** signed participants contract for India's pavilion in the

prestigious **World Expo 2020** held once in 5 years.

➤ The contract was signed by Manoj K. Dwivedi, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Commerce, GOI and Najeeb Mohammed Al Ali, Executive Director, Dubai Expo 2020 Bureau.

➤ India has already designated Binoy Kumar, Special Secretary in the Department of Commerce, as Director General of World Expo 2020 Dubai.

➤ The contract provides for the setting up of India's pavilion at Expo 2020 on an extra-large plot of about one acre in the 'Opportunity' segment.

Cabinet approves agreement between India & ISA:

➤ The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi gave its ex-post facto approval for entering into **Headquarters (Host country) Agreement between India and the International Solar Alliance (ISA)** and authorising the Ministry of External Affairs for signing the Headquarters Agreement.

➤ The Headquarters Agreement will **institutionalise the functional arrangements between India and ISA.** It will help in smooth transition of ISA as international inter-governmental organisation.

➤ The creation of ISA will lead to accelerated solar technology development and deployment in ISA member countries including India.

ISRO successfully launches IRNSS-11 navigation satellite:

➤ The Indian Space Research Organisation (Isro) has successfully launched **the IRNSS-11 navigation satellite aboard the PSLV-C41.**

➤ The rocket was launched from First Launch Pad (FLP) of SDSC SHAR, Sriharikota.

➤ The navigation satellite IRNSS-11 is part of Indian satellite navigation system **'Navigation with Indian Constellation' (NavIC).**

➤ NavIC, also known as Indian Regional Navigation Satellite System (IRNSS), is an independent regional navigation satellite system designed to provide position information in the Indian region and 1,500 km around the Indian mainland.

➤ Till now, PSLV has successfully launched 52 Indian satellites and 237 customer satellites from abroad.

PM Modi Inaugurates Dr Ambedkar National Memorial

➤ Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the **Dr Ambedkar National Memorial at Alipur Road in Delhi** on the eve of Babasaheb Ambedkar's birth anniversary.

➤ The memorial has been built in the shape of the **open constitution book.**

➤ The memorial has been built **at a cost of Rs 100 crores** and is spread over nearly 2 acres.

➤ Musical fountains, a replica of the Ashoka pillar at Sarnath and a 12 foot high bronze statue are some of the highlights of this complex.

➤ Dr BR Ambedkar's birth anniversary is celebrated on **April 14 as Ambedkar Jayanti.**

Government sets up committee to review the enforcement of CSR provisions:

➤ The government has set up a **12-member panel** to review the **enforcement of CSR provisions under the companies law, 2013.**

➤ The 12-member panel is headed by Regional Director (Western Region) **Manmohan Juneja.**

➤ Four years after, the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) norms came into force on April 1, 2014.

➤ The panel would revisit the guidelines for enforcement of CSR provisions and basis, including structure of Centralised Scrutiny and Prosecution Mechanism (CSPM).

DefExpo 2018: Boeing signs deal with HAL

➤ **Boeing India** has signed an agreement with **Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd (HAL)**, and **Mahindra Defence Systems (MDS)** at the Defence Expo 2018 to manufacture Super Hornet fighter aircraft in India.

➤ The companies will manufacture **F/A-18 Super Hornet** for India's armed forces.

➤ The Super Hornet Make-in-India proposal is **to build an entirely new** and state-of-the-art production facility that can be utilised for other programmes like India's Advance Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA) programme.

➤ The memorandum was signed by Boeing India president Pratyush Kumar, HAL Chairman and MD T. Suvarna Raju, and MDS chairman S.P. Shukla.

FSSAI Launches Initiative 'Project Dhoop'

➤ The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) has launched **'Project Dhoop'.**

➤ Project Dhoop's Noon Assembly is an innovative and effective concept to ensure that school students get adequate **Vitamin D** through sunlight, while also opting to choose food products like milk and edible oils that are fortified with Vitamins A and D.

➤ The project was launched at National Bal Bhavan and saw participation of around 600 students from NCERT, NDMC and North MCD Schools.

➤ The initiative has been conceptualised by McCannHealth and supported by Kwaliti (Ltd).

➤ **FSSAI CEO:** Pawan Agarwal

PM Modi Launches Ayushman Bharat scheme

➤ Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the phase one of the **Ayushman Bharat schemes**

that aim at creating a healthy, prosperous and strong India on the occasion of **Birth anniversary of Dr BR Ambedkar.**

➤ Ayushman Bharat, also known as the National Health Protection Scheme, has twin missions -- first, creating a network of health and wellness centres to deliver comprehensive primary health care close to the community, and second, providing insurance cover to 40 per cent of India's population, that is most deprived, for secondary and tertiary care

➤ The first phase of Ayushman Bharat will see **1.5 Lakh such Centers** being set up across the country by 2022. It has been approved and allotted a **Rs 10,500 crore budget.**

➤ The Prime Minister also launched Health and Wellness Centre under Ayushman Bharat scheme in Jangala village of Karnataka. This health and wellness centre will have the facility of teleconsultation.

NHAI Signs Agreement for Its 1st International Project

➤ The National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) has signed its **first international project agreement for upgradation of a highway in Myanmar.**

➤ The agreement was signed by NHAI with M/s Punj Lloyd Ltd. – Varaha Infra Ltd. (JV).

➤ Under the agreement, the NHAI would upgrade the **Yagyi-Kalewa section** of highway in Myanmar to two lanes with earthen shoulder.

➤ The project has been funded by Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India and would be executed on EPC (Engineering, Procurement and Construction) mode at a cost of **Rs.1177 crores.**

➤ The project will have 3 new major bridges and 2 new minor bridges. The project would be completed in three years.

Government constitutes 13-member Task Force for fast-tracking implementation of UAV technology

➤ The Government has decided to constitute a Task Force under the chairmanship of Shri Jayant Sinha, Minister of State for Civil Aviation for fast-tracking the roll-out of **Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) technology.** The Task Force will develop a roadmap with implementable recommendations for Central as well as State Governments, Industry and Research Institutions.

➤ The task force would have Civil Aviation **Secretary R N Choubey, Home Secretary Rajiv Gauba, Defence Secretary Sanjay Mitra and DIPP Secretary Ramesh Abhishek as members.**

➤ The Task Force will also have representatives from the Government, PSUs, industry and sectoral experts and submit report within 6 months of its constitution.

➤ The Headquarters of the Task Force will be at Ministry of Civil Aviation, **New Delhi.**

2nd India Mobile congress to be held in New Delhi

➤ India is going to host its second **India Mobile Congress (IMC)** between October 25-27 in New Delhi. It was announced by **Communications Minister Manoj Sinha.**

➤ India Mobile Congress is one of the biggest marquee Mobile, Internet and Technology events in Asia, organized by Department of Telecommunications, Government of India and Cellular Operators Association of India (COAI).

➤ It is an excellent platform for policy makers, industry and regulators to engage in meaningful deliberations to drive the future direction of this important sector.

➤ The theme of 2018 congress is **"NEW DIGITAL HORIZONS: Connect, Create, Innovate."**

Government increase FAME-India Scheme by 6 months

➤ The government has announced extension of phase 1 of the FAME-India scheme entailing incentives for mass adoption of electric and strong hybrid vehicles **by six months till September-end** or till its second phase is approved.

➤ The extension is deemed to have taken effect on April 1, 2018. The phase 1 of the scheme was initially proposed for two years till March 31, 2017 but was extended twice for six months up to March 31, 2018.

➤ The **FAME-India (Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of (hybrid &) Electric vehicles in India)** scheme is intended to **support the hybrid/electric vehicles market development and its manufacturing ecosystem to achieve self-sustenance.**

Union Home Ministry launches e-FRRO scheme

➤ The Union Home Minister Shri Rajnath Singh launched the **web-based application 'e-FRRO' (e-Foreigners Regional Registration Office).**

➤ The e-FRRO scheme is aimed at building a **centralized, transparent online platform for the foreigners to avail visa related services** and to provide **Faceless, Cashless and Paperless services to the foreigners** with user friendly experience.

➤ In the new system, foreigners would be able to get as many as **27 Visa and Immigration related services** in India from the comfort of their place of stay.

➤ Using the e-FRRO application, foreigners can apply online on the portal and obtain the services through email/post without appearing in person at the FRO/FRRO office.

Quest: Govt Launches Tribal Development Centre

➤ **The Maharashtra government** has set up an institution to evaluate and quantify special development budget allocations and their impact on tribal development.

➤ **Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis** has launched the institution, QUEST in Mumbai.

➤ The objective of the exercise by the Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Tribal Welfare is that it wants to bring greater accountability in spending and management of dedicated funds allocated for tribal welfare.

➤ Quest is known as **"Quality Evaluation for Sustainable Transformation centre"**. The state has taken the first initiative in the country to ensure every rupee awarded is not only accounted for but the development in lives of tribal people through the projects undertaken is also quantified. The QUEST centre will carry forward the tribal mission and focus on bringing sustainable transformation in the lives of the tribals.

➤ In the 2018-19 budget, the state government provided **Rs 26, 345.29 crore for Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe welfare schemes.**

Government launches Gram Swaraj Abhiyan

➤ The Centre has launched 'Gram Swaraj Abhiyaan' on April 14, the birth anniversary of Dalit icon Bhim Rao Ambedkar.

➤ It is to push inclusion of **marginalised people in most backward villages of the country** in welfare schemes.

➤ The Centre will reach out to the poor in the 21,000 most backward villages in the country and will make them aware about the government's all welfare schemes.

➤ Prime Minister Narendra Modi will officially launch the 'Gram Swaraj' campaign from **Bijapur in Chhattisgarh.**

➤ The government will also observe **'Ayushman Bharat Diwas'** on **April 30**, **'Kisan Kalyan Diwas'** on **May 2** and **'Aajevika Kaushal Diwas'** on **May 5.**

India to set up natural gas trading hub

➤ **In order to boost the consumption of natural gas in the country, Government is considering the establishment of a Gas Trading Hub / Exchange (GTHE).**

➤ In the Hub, natural gas can be traded, and supplied through a market-based mechanism instead of multiple formula driven prices. A hub is also used as a **central pricing point** for a network that could aid better price discovery for domestic as well as imported gas.

➤ China also plans to launch a natural gas trading hub in Chongqing this year.

➤ The world's biggest natural gas hub is the **Henry Hub in the US state of Louisiana.**

Government revises target to complete PMGSY

> The government has advanced its target year for completion of phase one of **Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana PMGSY to 2019 from 2022.**

> The scheme has been able to provide connectivity to more than One lakh 50 thousand habitations.

> The Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), was launched by the Govt. of India to provide connectivity to unconnected Habitations as part of a poverty reduction strategy.

> The Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana 1 (PMGSY) is a **100% Centrally Sponsored Scheme.**

TRAI launches beta portal for comparing telcos' tariffs

> The **Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI)** has unveiled the beta version of a portal that aims to bring on one platform, the tariffs offered by telecom operators in different service areas.

> It is expected to provide more transparency and information on multiple tariff offerings by telecom operators, helping consumers at large.

> The beta version of tariff data is made available on the **Trai website www.trai.gov.in.**

TRAI

- **Headquarters:** New Delhi
- **Chairman:** Ram Sewak Sharma

POSHAN Abhiyaan: 1st meeting of National Council on India's Nutrition Challenges held in New Delhi

> The first meeting of National Council on India's Nutrition Challenges under **POSHAN Abhiyaan** was held in New Delhi.

> The meeting was chaired by **Dr. Rajiv Kumar, Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog.**

> The Council which has been set up under POSHAN Abhiyaan is the apex body to formulate overall policies, guide and monitor all nutrition-based schemes.

> Nearly **315 districts** were already covered under phase-I of POSHAN Abhiyaan.

DARPAN-PLI App Launched by Communications Ministry

> Under the IT Modernisation Plan, Department of Posts has launched **Digital Advancement of Rural Post Office for A New India (DARPAN).**

> It has been launched with a view to achieve total digitisation of postal operations in the country.

> The Project aims to connect all **1.29 lakh Rural Branch Post Offices** in the country, to enable them to do online Postal and Financial Transactions.

> It will help in collection of premium for PLI and RPLI policies at Branch Post Offices anywhere in India, with online updation of the policies.

India forms committee to reform higher defence planning

> In an effort to improve higher defence management, the government has constituted a new committee headed by the **National Security Advisor.**

> According to a government notification, the **Defence Planning Committee (DPC)** headed by **NSA Ajit Doval**, will prepare a draft national security strategy.

> The committee will also develop a capability development plan, work on defence diplomacy issues and improving defence manufacturing in India. The DPC will submit its reports to the Defence Minister.

STATES IN NEWS

ASSAM:

Assam's two-day spring festival begins in Manas National Park:

> The **two-day Assam Spring Festival** began at the **Manas National Park** where visitors will get to experience the state's local food, music, handloom and handicrafts.

> The aim of the event **is to promote the local food and culture of the fringe villagers.**

It is an attempt to create a model of alternative livelihood through food, handloom and culture.

> The festival has been organised, among others, by Indian Weavers' Association and the Swankar Mithinga Onsai Afat, an association of reformed poachers in Manas who are now engaged in wildlife conservation and preservation.

Assam

- **Capital:** Dispur
- **Chief Minister:** Sarbananda Sonowal
- **Governor:** Prof Jagdish Mukhi

BIHAR:

Modi launches India's most powerful electric locomotive in Bihar:

> Prime Minister Narendra Modi unveils **India's first 12,000 horsepower electric locomotive from Bihar's Madhepura locomotive factory.**

> The train is first Make-in-India project completed by Alstom at Madhepura's Electric Locomotive Factory. **Alstom is a French multinational company** operating worldwide in rail transport markets

> Prime Minister Modi reached Bihar to attend the centenary celebrations of the Champaran Satyagraha as a part of "**Chalo Champaran Campaign**". The theme of the centenary celebrations of the Champaran Satyagraha is "Satyagraha se Swachhagrah".

Bihar

- **Capital:** Patna
- **Chief Minister:** Nitish Kumar
- **Governor:** Satya Pal Malik

GUJARAT:

World's largest solar park to come up in Gujarat

> Gujarat Chief Minister Vijay Rupani has approved setting up a **5,000 MW capacity solar park at the Dholera Special Investment Region (SIR).**

> The proposed solar power generation project would be set up in 11,000 hectares of land with an investment of **Rs 25,000 crore.**

> The project will contribute significantly in achieving target of producing 175 gigawatts of electricity through renewable energy sources **by 2022.**

Gujarat

- **Capital:** Gandhinagar
- **Chief Minister:** Vijay Rupani
- **Governor:** Om Prakash Kohli

HARYANA:

Haryana Government launches Water ATM policy for urban areas

> The Haryana government has come up with **Water ATM Policy** to provide clean drinking water to people at public places in cities. It was announced by state minister Kavita Jain.

> The distance between two water ATMs would be 400 metres, which could be adjusted according to convenience of people.

> A proposal to this effect was approved by the state's **Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar.**

Haryana

- **Capital:** Chandigarh
- **Chief minister:** Manohar Lal Khattar
- **Governor:** Kaptan Singh Solanki

KERALA:

Kerala to Host Asia's Largest Startup Conclave:

> Asia's largest start up ecosystem congregation, **Huddle Kerala**, will be held at Kovalam.

> The initiative is envisaged to provide a platform for start-ups to pitch their products and interact with a wide array of technology and industry leaders from around the world.

> Chief Minister **Pinarayi Vijayan** will inaugurate the conclave and it is organised by the **Kerala Startup Mission (KSUM)** in association with Internet and Mobile Association of India (IAMAI) and IMAI Startup Foundation.

> **KSUM Chief Executive Officer: Saji Gopinath**

Kerala

- **Capital:** Thiruvananthapuram
- **Chief Minister:** Pinarayi Vijayan
- **Governor:** P. Sathasivam

MADHYA PRADESH:**Kadakhnath chicken gets Geographical Indication tag:**

➤ **Kadakhnath**, a black-feathered chicken breed popular for its flavoured meat, has won the **Geographical Indications (GI) tag**.

➤ Kadakhnath is mainly found in **Madhya Pradesh's Jhabua, Alirajpur** and parts of Dhar district and won the tag 6 years after applying for it.

➤ The GI tag awarded by the GI registry in Chennai stamps that a product possesses certain qualities exclusive to its land of origin.

➤ The other products that have been granted GIs are Kashmiri pashmina, Darjeeling tea, Kancheepuram silk and Tirupati laddoo.

Madhya Pradesh

- **Capital:** Bhopal
- **Chief Minister:** Shivraj Singh Chouhan
- **Governor:** Anandiben Patel

MAHARASHTRA:**Maharashtra Govt, Central Govt & World Bank sign 420 Million Dollar Project:**

➤ The **Government of India**, Government of **Maharashtra** and the **World Bank** has signed a **US\$ 420 million project**.

➤ It aims to help **Small and Marginal farmers** in the Marathwada and Vidarbha regions of Maharashtra.

➤ The project will help in increasing climate resilient practices in agriculture and ensuring that farming continues to remain a financially viable activity for them.

➤ The \$420 million loan from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD), has a **6-year grace period, and a maturity of 24 years**.

➤ The Agreements for the Maharashtra Project for Climate Resilient Agriculture were signed by Shri Sameer Kumar Khare, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Shri Bijay Kumar, Additional Chief Secretary, Agriculture Department on behalf of the Government of Maharashtra; and Mr. Junaid Ahmad, Country Director, World Bank.

Maharashtra

- **Capital:** Mumbai
- **Chief Minister:** Devendra Fadnavis
- **Governor:** C. Vidyasagar Rao

ODISHA:**Odisha opened second largest bridge**

➤ The much-awaited bridge built over the Ib river in **Sambalpur district** was opened to the public by **Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik**.

➤ The 2.5-km-long bridge, which is the **State's second longest bridge**, has been built in three years at a cost of **Rs. 117.50 crore**.

➤ The bridge has helped establish direct road connectivity between **Sambalpur and Brajarajnagar** and the distance has now been reduced by 50 km.

Odisha

- **Capital:** Bhubaneswar
- **Chief minister:** Naveen Patnaik
- **Governor:** Satya Pal Malik

TAMIL NADU:**Chief Minister K Palaniswami has launched the bi-lingual 'Uzhavan' (farmer) app.**

➤ The app can be used by **farmers to get information on farm subsidies**, book farm equipment and related infrastructure and get details on their crop insurance, besides receiving weather forecast for the next four days

➤ He also launched the **'Amma Bio-Fertiliser'** scheme, named after late Chief Minister J Jayalalithaa. The initiative was aimed at better management of nature farming and help boost and maintain soil fertility.

Tamil Nadu

- **Capital:** Chennai
- **Chief Minister:** Edappadi K. Palaniswami
- **Governor:** Banwarilal Purohit

TRIPURA:**CM Biplab Deb launches state component of PMKVY**

➤ Chief Minister **Biplab Kumar Deb** of Tripura launched State Component of Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) 2.0 under Directorate of Skill Development.

➤ CM Biplab Kumar Deb also inaugurated **"Universal Health Coverage: Everyone, Everywhere**.

➤ While addressing the launch, CM Biplab Kumar Deb assured that the target to give training to more than 1 lakh 16,000 youths by 2020 will be achieved and as a result, the problem of unemployment prevailing in the state will be solved.

➤ **Tripura** is the **first state in the North East** to implement the state component of PMKVY through Directorate of Skill Development (DSD).

Tripura

- **Capital:** Agartala
- **Chief Minister:** Biplab Kumar Deb
- **Governor:** Tathagata Roy

UTTARAKHAND:**Uttarakhand's second Mega Food Park inaugurated at Udham Singh nagar:**

➤ Union Minister for Food Processing Industries **Smt Harsimrat Kaur Badal** inaugurated Uttarakhand's second Mega Food Park at Udham Singh Nagar.

➤ The food park is being set up at a cost of **Rs 99.96 crore** and will benefit around 25,000 farmers in this as well as neighboring districts.

➤ The mega food park- Himalayan Mega Food Park Private Ltd, which is being set up in an area of 50.14 acres, would have a central processing center as well as three Primary Processing Centers (PPCs).

Uttarakhand

- **Capital:** Dehradun
- **Chief Minister:** **Trivendra Singh Rawat**
- **Governor:** **Krishna Kant Paul**

UTTAR PRADESH:**UP Government launches Ganga Hariteema Yojana:**

➤ In **Uttar Pradesh Ganga Hariteema Yojana** is being launched in 27 districts of the state located on the bank of river Ganga.

➤ The objectives of the schemes include **enhancing green cover in the catchment areas of the river Ganga** and to control the land erosion. Plantation will be carried out in one-kilometre areas from the banks of river under the scheme.

➤ The scheme is also known as **Ganga Greenery scheme**.

➤ The scheme was launched by Chief Minister **Yogi Adityanath** in a function organized on the bank of Sangam the confluence of rivers of Ganga, Yamuna, and Saraswati.

UP govt orders govt hospitals and orphanages to establish SHISHU SWAGAT KENDRA- PALNA

➤ In Uttar Pradesh, Government has ordered all government hospitals and orphanages to establish **SHISHU SWAGAT KENDRA- PALNA** and put up cradles in front of their buildings so that parents can give up **unwanted babies safely**.

➤ This will help in tackling the problem of abandoning the infant at the roadside.

➤ The **'Palna' scheme** will also help bridge the gap between the **number of children available** for adoption and the burgeoning list of adoptive parents.

Uttar Pradesh

- **Capital:** Lucknow
- **Chief Minister:** **Yogi Adityanath**
- **Governor:** **Shri Ram Naik**

WEST BENGAL:**West Bengal Launches Rupashree scheme for girls:**

➤ The **West Bengal government** has introduced a new scheme, **"Rupashree"**.

➤ It provides marriage assistance to girls coming from economically weaker families with a budgetary allocation of **Rs 1,500 crore**.

> The scheme proposes to extend one-time financial assistance worth **Rs 25,000** to the family of the girl after 18 yrs of age whose annual income is up to Rs 1.5 lakh.

West Bengal

- **Capital:** Kolkata
- **Chief Minister:** Mamata Banerjee

- **Governor:** Keshari Nath Tripathi

INTERNATIONAL

List of Agreements/MoUs' signed by India with Various Countries:

Country	PM	Key Point/ Area	Capital/Currency
Morocco	Abdelilah Benkirane	1) Evaluation of potential mineral resources and promoting exploration and mining through participation of both public and private sector. 2) In the field of Mining and Geology for a period of 5 years.	Rabat/ Moroccan dirham
Russia (At DefExpo 2018 in Kancheepuram, Chennai)	Dmitry Medvedev	1) To focus on needs for improvement of Russian origin defence platforms being exploited by Indian defence forces and 2) To facilitate domestic manufacturing of some of the identified spare parts through collaborations between Indian vendors and Russian OEMs.	Moscow/ Russian ruble
Denmark	Lars Lokke Rasmussen	MoUs in the areas of urban development, animal husbandry and dairying, food safety and agricultural research and education.	Copenhagen/ Danish krone
Iceland	Katrin Jakobsdottir	MoU on the establishment of an ICCR Chair for Hindi language between the Indian Council for Cultural Relations and the University of Iceland.	Reykjavik/Icelandic krona
Norway	Erna Solberg	Discussion on trade and investment, shipping and port-development, blue economy, renewable energy, health, information technology and green transport solutions (No MoU)	Oslo/Norwegian krone
Finland	Juha Sipila	Discussions on deepening avenues of cooperation between India and Finland. (No MoU)	Helsinki/ Euro
Sweden	Stefan Löfven	1) The Joint Action Plan (JAP) is described as a "Win-Win Partnership" for New Delhi and Stockholm. 2) Swedish government will start the Innovation Partnership by providing up to 50 million Swedish kronor (Over \$59 million) for innovation cooperation in the field of smart cities and sustainability.	Stockholm/ Swedish Krona
United Kingdom	Theresa May	1) An overarching cyber-relationship framework that enables the development and shared understanding of the international cyber activity. 2) In several sectors including cyber-relationship, rejuvenation of Ganga, skill development and Animal Husbandry	London/ Pound sterling
France	Édouard Philippe	In the field of aerospace and defence organised by GIFAS (Groupement des Industries Françaises Aeronautiques et Spatiales) with the support of SIDM (The Society of Indian Defence Manufacturers).	Paris/ Euro and CFP Franc
Timor Leste	Mari Alkatiri	In the field of public health to extend affordable healthcare to the people of the Southeast Asian nation.	Dili/ United States Dollar, Indonesian rupiah, East Timor centavo coins
Zambia	Edgar Lungu (President)	Double taxation, Judicial co-operation, Establishment of Entrepreneurship Development Institute in Zambia and visa exemption on diplomatic passports and official holding relevant passports.	Lusaka/ Zambian kwacha
Equatorial Guinea	Vicente E Hate Tomi	In the fields of medicinal plants, traditional systems of medicine, and health and medicine sector	Malabo/ Central African CFA franc
Swaziland	Barnabas Sibusiso Dlamini	In the field of Health and Medicine and Visa department.	Mbabane(executive), Lobamba(legislative)/ South African rand, Swazi lilangeni

Saudi Aramco (Oil Company)	Salman of Saudi Arabia	To jointly develop and build an integrated refinery and petrochemicals complex, Ratnagiri Refinery and Petrochemicals Ltd, in Maharashtra (RRPCL). 50:50 Joint Partnership between them.	Riyadh/ Saudi riyal
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INTERNATIONAL SUMMITS

SUMMIT	Key Points/ Discussion	Held in
First India-Nordic Summit	To deepen cooperation in innovation and climate change. Reaffirmed the importance of free trade.	Sweden, Stockholm
India-Japan-US trilateral Dialogue	To remain engaged and strengthen cooperation in support for a free, open, prosperous, peaceful and inclusive Indo-Pacific region through partnership with countries in the region.	New Delhi, India
India-Wiesbaden Conference 2018	1) 'Securing Global Supply Chains through Government-Industry Partnerships towards Effective Implementation of UNSC Resolution 1540'. 2) The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) in cooperation with Germany and the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA).	New Delhi, India

PM Modi to begins on 5-day visit to UK, Sweden

- > Prime Minister Narendra Modi will begin on a five-day official visit to **Sweden and the United Kingdom**.
- > Modi's visit is aimed at enhancing bilateral cooperation in the key areas like trade, investments and science and technology.
- > Apart from bilateral visits to the two countries, Prime Minister Modi will attend the **India-Nordic Summit** and **Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM)** in Sweden and the United Kingdom respectively.
- > The CHOGM is a multilateral organisation known for its focus on the development issues that confront the Small States and Small Island Developing States (SIDS).

Bisket Jatra Being Celebrated in Nepal:

- > In Nepal the famous **Bisket Jatra** is being celebrated in Bhaktapur and other parts of Kathmandu valley. The nine-day annual festival marks beginning of Nepali new year.
- > The Jatra begins four days before the start of new year. It is believed that the festival started during Malla dynasty.

India-Japan-US trilateral Dialogue held in New Delhi:

- > **New Delhi** will host the strategically important trilateral dialogue between India, Japan and the US.
- > It came a two week ahead of the summit between **US President Donald Trump and Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe in Florida**.
- > The India-Japan-US trilateral was launched in **December 2011** when Hillary Clinton was the secretary of state.

Turkey launches First-ever nuclear plant

- > **Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan** and Russian counterpart Vladimir Putin

launched the construction of **Turkey's first nuclear power plant**.

- > The \$20 billion-dollar Akkuyu nuclear power plant project is located in the **Mediterranean Mersin region**.
- > The power station will provide **10 percent of the electricity** needs of Turkey.
- > Turkey's Energy Minister: **Berat Albayrak**

IAF to conduct biggest combat exercise along Pakistan, China Borders:

- > The Indian Air Force (IAF) is going to conduct its biggest ever combat exercise along Pakistan and China borders.
- > The composite exercise is named Gagan Shakti.
- > The aim of this exercise is real time coordination, deployment and employment of Air Power in a short & intense battle scenario.
- > For the first time, the indigenous Light Combat Aircraft Tejas will be taking part in the exercise and will perform both the offensive and defensive roles.

UAE provides \$200m to Lebanese Army, security forces

- > The UAE has announced financial support of **\$200 million** to be split equally between the Lebanese armed and the security forces to contribute to the stability and welfare of the country.
- > The support is part of the UAE's efforts to contribute to the stability and welfare of Lebanon and its people.

Singapore and China sign deal to boost cooperation on Belt and Road Initiative:

- > Singapore and China signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) **on Third-party Market Cooperation in Beijing**.
- > It aims to promote greater collaboration between Singapore and Chinese companies in third-party markets along the **Belt and Road**.

- > The Minister for National Development and Second Minister for Finance **Lawrence Wong** and China's National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) Vice Chairman **Zhang Yong** signed the MOU.

- > The **Belt and Road Initiative (BRI)** is a development strategy initiated by China to connect countries across Europe, Africa and Asia.

Conference on Water Environment And Climate Change Begins In Nepal:

- > A three-day international conference on **'Water, Environment and Climate Change: Knowledge Sharing and Partnership,'** is all set to begin **in Nepal**.
- > The objective is to highlight the impact of climate change in various sectors and explore ways to mitigate them.
- > The conference is a joint initiation of **Department of Water Supply and Sewerage** and **Society of Public Health Engineers Nepal (SOPHEN)** and Nepal Engineers Association.
- > Under this MoU, both the institutes agreed to collaborate in **the field of telemedicine**.

UAE approves issuance of Law on Equal Wages, Salaries for Men & Women:

- > In an effort to narrow the gender gap in the **United Arab Emirates**, the Cabinet has approved the issuance of the **Law on Equal Wages and Salaries for Men and Women**.
- > The objective is to ensure the protection of women's rights and support their role in the national development process.
- > In 2015, the UAE Council for Gender Balance was established to position UAE among the leading countries in the world in terms of gender balance.

China holds biggest ever military drill in South China Sea:

- > The Chinese military held its largest ever maritime drill in the disputed South China Sea

during which it displayed for the first time the country's aircraft carrier strike group and the most advanced weaponry of the **People's Liberation Army (PLA)**.

> Central Military Commission (CMC) is the overall high command of the **2-million strong Chinese military**.

> China's aircraft carrier, **Liaoning** joined the parade for the first time.

> It was the **first maritime military parade** held in the South China Sea and to be open to the public.

United Nations launches UN Road Safety Trust Fund

> The United Nations' Deputy Secretary-General Amina Mohammed announced the launch of the **'UN Road Safety Trust Fund'**.

> It aims to stimulate action that can save lives and prevent injuries and sufferings associated with road accidents. As per the UN data over 1.3 million drivers, passengers and pedestrians die each year on the roads.

> The **UN Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE)**, the development arm of the UN in Europe, is designated as the Secretariat for the Trust Fund. A contribution of USD 1500 to the fund will help save one life and prevent 10 serious injuries.

Bangladesh Ends Reservation in Government Jobs:

> Bangladesh Prime Minister **Sheikh Hasina** has decided to scrap the quota system in government services after thousands of students marched across the country in protest against a controversial policy of setting aside jobs for special groups.

> The government will make special arrangements for jobs for minorities and people with disabilities.

> At present, **56% posts** in the annual civil service examination are reserved under various quotas. Among those, the largest chunk—30%—is reserved for children of freedom fighters, which the protestors are opposing as they believe it destroys the level playing field in exams.

US, Britain and France launch military operations against Syria:

> **US, British and French forces** pounded **Syria** with air strikes early on Saturday in response to a poison gas attack that killed dozens of people last week, in the biggest intervention by Western powers against **Syrian President Bashar al-Assad**.

> US President Donald Trump announced that the military action is from the White House.

> British Prime Minister Theresa May and French President Emmanuel Macron said the UK and France had joined in the attack.

France announces 50-million-euro humanitarian aid for Syria:

> **French President Emmanuel Macron** will contribute **50 million euros (\$61.9 million)** toward urgent humanitarian aid for Syria following a meeting with a group of non-governmental organizations (NGO) in Paris.

> The funds will be allocated to NGOs and U.N. agencies working on the ground in Syria, including the U.N. office for humanitarian affairs.

> According to United Nations estimates, some 13 million people including six million children are in need of humanitarian aid in Syria.

Pakistan successfully test fires enhanced version of Babur cruise missile

> Pakistan has successfully test fired an enhanced version of **indigenously-built Babur cruise missile** that can deliver conventional and non-conventional weapons **with a range of 700 kilometres**.

> **'Babur Weapon System-1 (B)'** incorporates advanced aerodynamics and avionics that can strike targets both at land and sea with high accuracy.

> It is equipped with the Terrain Contour Matching (TERCOM) and all time Digital Scene Matching and Area Co-relation (DSMAC) technologies, which enable it to engage in various types of targets with pinpoint accuracy even in the absence of GPS navigation.

UK Joins International Solar Alliance:

> The **United Kingdom** has joined the India-led **International Solar Alliance (ISA)** ahead of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's four-day visit to Britain.

> At an event held at the London Stock Exchange as part of the **Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting 2018 (CHOGM)**, Britain formally announced its membership of the alliance. The UK becomes the **62nd country** to join ISA.

> ISA is an inter-governmental treaty-based organisation that aims to **mobilise \$1 trillion in funds** for future solar generation, storage and technology across the world. It was launched by Modi in 2015.

ISA (International Solar Alliance)

•**Head:** H.E. Upendra Tripathy

•**Headquarters:** Gurugram, Haryana

Swaraj to visit Azerbaijan to attend NAM meet :

> External Affairs Minister **Sushma Swaraj** will pay a three-day visit to Azerbaijan during which she will attend a meeting of the **Non-Aligned Movement (NAM)** and hold talks with top leadership of that country.

> Swaraj will hold talks with Azerbaijan's Foreign Minister **Elmar Mammadyarov** and She is also scheduled to call on the President of

Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev and First Vice-President of Azerbaijan Mehriban Aliyeva.

> Swaraj will also represent **India** at the mid-term ministerial meeting of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM).

Recent Military Exercise:

> **Desert Tiger 5** - The **United Arab Emirates (UAE)** and **Malaysia**, held in Dubai, UAE

> **'Gagan Shakti'** - **Indian Air Force** in Uttarakhand's Uttarkashi district.

> **'Foil Eagle'** - The **United States** and **South Korea** in South Korea

BANKING AND BUSINESS

First Bi-monthly Monetary Policy Statement, 2018-19:

Resolution of the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC): Reserve Bank of India

Policy Rate	Current Rate
Repo Rate	6.00%
Reverse Repo Rate	5.75%
Marginal Standing Facility Rate	6.25%
Bank Rate	6.25%
CRR	4%
SLR	19.5%

> The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) headed by RBI Governor **Urjit Patel** expects the growth rate to accelerate to **7.4 percent in 2018-19**, up from 6.6 percent last fiscal, ended March 31, mainly on account of revival of investment activity.

> This is the **first bi-monthly monetary policy** for 2018-19 and the next would be announced on **6 June**.

India's Foreign Exchange Reserves Hit A Life-Time High:

> The country's foreign exchange reserves **hit a life-time high of \$424.361 billion after rising by \$1.828 billion** in the week to March 30.

> In the previous week, the reserves had increased by \$1.197 billion to \$422.532 billion.

> The country's reserve position with the IMF also increased by \$2.8 million to \$2.083 billion.

> **Foreign-exchange reserves** (also called **forex reserves** or **FX reserves**) is money or other assets held by a central bank or other monetary authority.

SIDBI Foundation Day - Launches 'Samridhi-virtual assistant' & 'Bankability Kit':

> **SIDBI** celebrated its foundation day on **April 2, 2018** as day of Sampark (connect), Sanwad (interaction), Suraksha (security) and Sampreshan (disseminate).

> During the day, a **'Bankability Kit'** was launched. It is brought in partnership with **Bank**

of **Baroda** and **IDBI Bank**. It covers what bankers look at, how to communicate with banks, the care to be taken, do's and don'ts etc.

➤ A MoU was signed with **The New India Assurance Co. Ltd.** and two MSMEs were issued insurance policies.

➤ He also launched 'Samridhhi- the virtual assistant' on banks revamped universal loan portal **www.udyamimitra.in**. It will also answer standard queries of aspirants 24*7.

SIDBI

•**Headquarters:** Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh

•**MD & Chairman:** Shri Mohammad Mustafa

•**CEO:** Dr. Kshatrapati Shivaji

Ola acquires ticketing app Ridlr:

➤ The ride-hailing major **Ola** has acquired end-to-end public transport ticketing app **Ridlr** in an all-stock deal at an undisclosed valuation.

➤ It aims for integrating its own services with **mass transit infrastructure** that exists in cities.

➤ The **motive is to allow** a customer to book a cab from their homes and continue their journey effortlessly even if they switch to a public transport service.

➤ **Co-founder and CEO of Ola:** Bhavish Aggarwal

RBI changes the methodology for bond valuation to check manipulation:

➤ The **Reserve Bank of India** has **changed the methodology** used by debt market players, including banks and primary dealers, for their valuation.

➤ It aims **to prevent the possibility of manipulation in the prices of securities, especially government securities (G-Secs).**

➤ As per a central bank directive, security/bond valuation will be based on the **weighted average price** of the last half-an-hour of trading on the last trading day of every quarter against the last traded price earlier. The methodology as to how the bonds are valued is crucial for **Mark-To-Market (MTM)** purposes.

Indian Army and HDFC Bank Signed MoU:

➤ A Memorandum of Undertaking (MoU) was signed between the **Indian Army** and **HDFC Bank** on the **Defence Salary Package**.

➤ The current MoU is tailor made to suit the requirements of serving soldiers, pensioners and families.

➤ Under the current MoU apart from other benefits the Army personnel will get free personal accident death cover and free permanent disability cover of **Rs 30 lakhs**, free educational cover of **upto Rs 1 Lakh** per year for four years for education of dependent child in case of accidental death of defence personnel **and 100% processing fees waived for Car Loans and Personal Loans**.

16 Advance Pricing Agreements Signed:

➤ The **Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT)** entered into **14 Unilateral Advance Pricing Agreements (UAPA)** and **2 Bilateral Advance Pricing Agreements (BAPA)**.

➤ The 2 bilateral APAs have been entered into with the **United States of America**. With the signing of these Agreements, the total number of APAs entered into by the **CBDT has gone up to 219**. This includes 199 Unilateral APAs and 20 Bilateral APAs.

➤ An **advance pricing agreement (APA)** is an ahead-of-time agreement between a taxpayer and a tax authority on an appropriate **Transfer Pricing Methodology (TPM)** for a set of transactions at issue over a fixed period of time.

SoftBank Signs \$930 million Deal to Set Up Solar Venture in India:

➤ Japan's **SoftBank Group Corp** has agreed to launch a **\$930 million** Indian joint solar energy venture with Chinese firm **GCL System Integration Technology Co** as part of its India solar investment roadmap.

➤ The venture will work on **photovoltaic technology**, which is used in solar panels.

➤ GCL will provide technology and SoftBank will assist in obtaining land and regulatory approvals.

➤ India plans to have a total renewable energy capacity of **175 GW by 2022** through a mix of sources such as solar, wind, biomass and small hydro.

Softbank

•**CEO:** Masayoshi Son

•**Headquarters:** Tokyo, Japan

Jio Payments Bank begins its operations:

➤ **Jio Payments Bank Limited** has commenced operations as a payments bank with effect from **April 3, 2018**. It is a joint venture of **Reliance Jio** and **SBI**.

➤ Reliance Industries Ltd was one of the 11 applicants which were issued in-principle approval for setting up a payments bank in **August 2015**.

➤ Telecom major **Bharti Airtel** was the first to begin payment bank services in November 2016.

➤ **H. Srikrishnan**, who was earlier with HDFC Bank and Yes Bank, has been appointed MD and CEO of Jio Payments Bank.

RBI revises limits for investment in debt instruments by FPI:

The **Reserve Bank of India** has revised the limits on investment in debt instruments by **Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPI)**.

The revision comes into effect immediately. And, the revision is done in consultation with the Government of India.

1. The limit for FPI investment in Central Government securities (G-secs) is **5.5%** for 2018-2019. And **6%** of outstanding stock of securities in 2019-20.

2. The limit for FPI investment in state development loans (SDLs) is **2%**

3. The overall limit for FPI investment in corporate bonds is **9%**

4. The allocation of increase in G-sec limit over the two sub-categories – 'general' and 'long-term' – **50:50** for the year 2018-19.

ICICI Bank 1st to get Swift's new cross-border payment service:

➤ The Global financial messaging cooperative **SWIFT** announced that **ICICI Bank** has become its **first Indian client** to go live with an improved cross-border payments service.

➤ The cross-border payments service refers to the **gpi (Global Payment Innovation) Tracker**.

➤ SWIFT's GPI tracker **enables tracking of real-time payments across correspondent banks** and has a facility to track the payments instructions across the correspondent banks globally.

SWIFT

•The Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunication **provides** a network that enables financial institutions worldwide to send and receive information about financial transactions in a secure, standardized and reliable environment.

•**Headquarters:** La Hulpe, Belgium

•**CEO:** Gottfried Leibbrandt

•**Swift's head for Indian subcontinent:** Kiran Shetty

ICICI Bank

•**MD & CEO:** Chanda Kochhar

•**Headquarters:** Mumbai, Maharashtra

•**Tagline:** 'hum hai na', 'khayaal aapka'

RBI switches back to GDP scale to measure economy:

➤ The **Reserve Bank** had switched back to the **Gross Domestic Product (GDP)**-based measure to offer its growth estimates from the **Gross Value Added (GVA)** methodology, citing global best practices.

➤ The government had started using **GVA methodology** from January 2015 and had also changed the base year to **2018 from January**.

➤ The Central Statistical Office had started using GDP as the main measure of economic activities since January 15

➤ **GDP:** It is the **total value of goods produced and services provided** within a country's borders in a specific time period.

➤ **GVP:** It is the **measure of the value of goods and services produced in an area, industry or sector of an economy.** It is the grand total of all revenues, from final sales and (net) subsidies, which are incomes into businesses.

SBI To Invest Rs 80 Bn In Hydropower Project of Nepal:

➤ The State Bank of India (SBI) will be investing a total of **Rs 80 billion in the Arun III hydropower project of Nepal**, which has **900 megawatts (MW) electricity production capacities.**

➤ The SJVN, which has been awarded with the construction of the **mega power project of Nepal** will make the formal agreement soon.

➤ With the completion of the project, Nepal will get **21.9 percent** of the total electricity produced in a year i.e., **197 MW electricity with 86 crore unit** for free in a year.

➤ **The Everest Bank Limited** also will invest **3.60 Billion Rupees (2.25 Billion INR)** in the Arun III. Everest Bank Limited is the Commercial Bank of Nepal, which is joint venture of Punjab National Bank, India.

➤ The mega project is targeted to be completed by **2022's September.**

J&K Bank Launches Scheme For Industrial Units: Add on Working Capital GST

➤ **Jammu and Kashmir Bank** has launched a special financing scheme to help the state industry cope with the delay in reimbursement of GST under special tax relief.

➤ The **'Add on Working Capital GST' scheme** was launched by J&K Finance Minister **Syed Altaf Bukhari** in the presence of Minister for Industry and Commerce **Chander Parkash Ganga.**

➤ This scheme shall considerably strengthen the business enterprises that are facing stressed liquidity position due to Goods and Services Tax regime.

➤ **Chairman and CEO J&K Bank:** Parvez Ahmed

The SBI launched UK subsidiary: SBI (UK) Limited

➤ The SBI has announced the launch of its UK subsidiary, **SBI (UK) Limited**, with an initial capital commitment of **225 million pounds** from its parent entity.

➤ The Prudential Regulation Authority of UK wants Foreign banks to start UK subsidiaries in UK to protect depositories from uncertainties in foreign banks.

➤ It becomes the first foreign bank in the UK to ringfence its retail division from its wholesale business.

➤ Regional Head of SBI UK: Sanjiv Chadha

Yes bank ties up with Euronet India:

➤ The Payment and transaction processing solutions provider and a wholly owned subsidiary of **Euronet Worldwide**, Euronet India has partnered with **Yes Bank** to **modernise the bank's core payment infrastructure.**

➤ Euronet will support the bank in switching transactions between end points, driving payment channels and card management services, among others.

➤ Euronet would be deploying the entire payment stack in a **private cloud** makes this a 1st of its kind engagement in Asia Pacific.

➤ This deal will further strengthen Yes bank's market position in the payment marketplace in India and Asia Pacific alike

➤ **Euronet Asia Pacific's regional managing director:** Himanshu Pujara

Yes Bank

•**Headquarters:** Mumbai

•**CEO:** Rana Kapoor

NERL Brings in ICICI Bank, HDFC Bank as Repository Participants:

➤ **National E-Repository Limited (NERL)**, a group company of **National Commodity and Derivatives Exchange Limited (NCDEX)**, has brought in **ICICI Bank and HDFC Bank** on board as the repository participants for pledge finance.

➤ NERL has signed the agreement with both the banks where they will offer pledge finance against eNWRs created on NERL's repository platform commodities stored in warehouses registered with **Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority (WDRA).**

Five Indians in Bloomberg Billionaires Index's top 100:

➤ As per the index, **Reliance Industries (RIL)** chairman Mukesh Ambani is the **richest person** in India and third richest in Asia with a net worth of \$38 billion.

➤ **Alibaba's Jack Ma** is Asia's richest person with \$47.2 billion net worth followed by Tencent co-founder and CEO Pony Ma with \$41.1 billion net worth.

➤ Globally, Amazon chief **Jeff Bezos** has dominated the index by securing the top rank with a net worth of \$121 billion. **Bill Gates and Warren Buffett** are placed at second and third spot with a net worth of \$90.4 billion and \$85.5 billion respectively.

RBI Tightens Monitoring of Liberalised Remittance Scheme

➤ The **Reserve Bank** has tightened reporting norms for the **Liberalised Remittance Scheme (LRS)** under which an individual can transfer up to **\$2,50,000 abroad** in a year.

➤ The **LRS transactions** are currently permitted by banks based on the declaration made by the remitter.

➤ In order to improve monitoring and also to ensure compliance with the LRS limits, it has been decided to put in place a daily reporting system by **Authorised Dealer (AD)** banks of transactions undertaken by individuals under LRS, which will be accessible to all the other ADs.

NPCIL & NSDC Signed a MoU:

➤ **The National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC)** has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with **Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited (NPCIL)** to provide skill training to 500 youth and women at **Kudankulam** in Tamil Nadu.

➤ The skill development project will be executed by NSDC through its approved training partners near **Kudankulam Nuclear Power Project (KKNPP).**

➤ It is the single largest nuclear power station in India, situated in the Tirunelveli district of Tamil Nadu.

➤ NPCIL has committed Rs 1.74 crore under its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) contributions towards this project.

Government Raises NABARD's Authorised Capital to Rs 300 Billion:

➤ The government has raised the authorised capital of Nabard by six times to **Rs 300 billion** to help it increase its lending to the rural economy.

➤ It has been decided as a part of the drive to double income of farmers by 2022.

➤ The increase in authorised capital will enable Nabard to respond to commitments it has undertaken, particularly in respect of the Long Term Irrigation Fund and on-lending to cooperative banks.

➤ **NABARD was set up in 1982** to promote sustainable and equitable agriculture and rural development.

NABARD

•**Headquarters:** Mumbai

•**Chairman:** Harsh Kumar Bhanwala

CII fix India's GDP Growth At 7.3-7.7% For 2018-19:

➤ **The Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)** expects India's gross domestic product (GDP) to grow at **7.3-7.7 percent** during the **2018-19 financial year.**

➤ This is based on strengthening demand in the rural economy, including agriculture and non-farm activities, as well as better global growth climate.

➤ The Confederation of Indian Industry is a business association in India. CII is a **non-government**, not-for-profit, industry-led and industry-managed organization.

CII

- **Headquarters:** New Delhi, India
- **President:** Rakesh Bharti Mittal

Kotak Mahindra Bank: 2nd Most Valuable Bank:

➤ The Shares of private lender **Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd** beat India's largest lender **State Bank of India (SBI)** for the first time to become the **second most valued bank in the country.**

➤ Kotak Mahindra Bank has a market capitalization of Rs2,22970.40 crore while SBI market capitalization stood at Rs2,22,043.74 crore.

➤ **HDFC Bank Ltd** remained **country's most valuable bank** with a market capitalization of Rs5.04 trillion.

India Wins Election to Crucial NGO Committee In UN:

➤ **India** has won an election to a crucial Non-Governmental Organisation Committee in the UN after garnering the highest number of votes besides getting elected by acclamation to other subsidiary bodies in five separate polls.

➤ The **UN's Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)** held elections to a number of its subsidiary **bodies.**

➤ The ECOSOC focuses on advancing the three dimensions of sustainable development - economic, social and environmental.

India To Grow At 7.4% In 2018: IMF

➤ According to **International Monetary Fund (IMF)**, India's economic growth will accelerate in the current and next fiscal years.

➤ India's economy is forecast to grow **7.4% in the current fiscal** from **6.7% in FY18** and accelerate further in **FY20 to 7.8%**, shows the IMF's latest forecast.

➤ Global growth is seen stable at 3.9% over the current and next calendar years, almost unchanged from 3.6% in 2018.

IMF

- **Headquarters:** Washington, D.C., United States
- **MD & CEO:** Christine Lagarde

Rivigo ties up with IDFC, YES Bank, for truck loans:

➤ **Rivigo**, a homegrown logistics start-up that owns as well as acts as an aggregator of trucks, is tying up with **YES Bank, IDFC** and 10 other financial institutions to make cheaper funds available to truck owners and operators on its platform.

➤ The funds will be available at an interest rate of 1-2 per cent per month.

➤ The start-up aims to disrupt India's truck market.

Jana Small Finance Bank commences operations to continue its focus on financial inclusion:

➤ **Jana Small Finance Bank** (formerly Janalakshmi Financial Services, India's leading micro-finance company) announced the commencement of its banking operations.

➤ Jana Bank will also convert majority of its **MFI branches into full-fledged bank branches** and will have over **500 banking outlets by end of 2019**, as it continues to serve its customers across India.

➤ CEO of Jana Small Finance Bank: **Ajay Kanwal**

Indian start up ecosystem ranked 37

➤ **India** has been ranked **37th** in the global start up ecosystem in 2017, according to a report released by global start up ecosystem map **Startupblink.**

➤ The global ranking of its top three cities are **Bengaluru, New Delhi, and Mumbai.**

➤ In its report, Startupblink included a global ranking index of 125 countries and 900 cities. The list measures the startup ecosystem strength and activity.

➤ The US, UK, and Canada got the top three spots in the global country rankings.

➤ **Startup Blink's CEO:** Eli David

IndusInd Bank Gets RBI Nod to Acquire IL&FS Arm:

➤ Private sector lender **IndusInd Bank** said it has received **RBI's approval** to buy the securities services arm of **IL&FS.**

➤ In March 2017, the bank entered an agreement with Infrastructure Leasing and Financial Services, the promoter shareholder of **IL&FS Securities Services Ltd (ISSL)**, to acquire 100 per cent stake in ISSL.

Flipkart Partners with MakeMyTrip to Offer Travel Services:

➤ **Online travel portal MakeMyTrip** has tied with e-commerce major **Flipkart**, as part of which the latter will sell travel services on its platform.

➤ MakeMyTrip's brands, including Goibibo and redBus, will leverage the large customer base of Flipkart to drive online bookings.

➤ **Flipkart CEO:** Kalyan Krishnamurthy

PayPal, FIEO tie up to promote exports using technology:

➤ **Digital payments company PayPal** and exporters' body the **Federation of Indian Export Organisations (FIEO)** have tied up to promote exports, leveraging the technology platform.

➤ The MoU will help FIEO **to reach cottage industries**, artisans, housewives, youth, MSMEs

and clusters, even in far-flung areas, to develop their orientation towards exports.

India to grow 7.3% this financial year, 7.6% in Next says ADB:

➤ India's economic growth is expected to rebound to **7.3 % this fiscal** and further to **7.6 % in 2019-20** with increased productivity post GST and investment revival due to banking reform, the **Asian Development Bank (ADB).**

➤ The ADB's growth projection of 7.3 % this fiscal is same as that of rating agency Fitch, but RBI's forecast is 7.4 %.

➤ Growth is expected to pick up further to **7.6 % in FY2019** as efforts are on to strengthen the banking system.

India ranks 130 in Index of Economic Freedom; up by 13 spots

➤ **India** has jumped 13 places in the last one year to be earn **130th spot** in the latest annual **Index of Economic Freedom 2018** released by a top American think-tank.

➤ **China** with 57.4 points was ranked 111 in the 2017 index of **The Heritage Foundation**, an American conservative public policy think-tank based in Washington.

➤ **Hong Kong** maintains the number one spot for the **4th consecutive year** and is followed by Singapore, New Zealand, Switzerland, Australia, and Ireland.

SIDBI Ties Up with CSC To Promote MSEs In 115 Districts:

➤ **Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)** has planned to promote micro enterprises in 115 aspirational districts across the country to contribute in their development.

➤ The bank has tied up with **Common Service Centre (CSC)** to meet this objective.

➤ Micro enterprises promotion programme (MEPP) will be conducted in those districts.

➤ It was announced by SIDBI Chairman and Managing Director **Mohammad Mustafa.**

➤ Last month, **SIDBI** signed a memorandum of understanding with **CSC e-governance Services (CSCeGS)** to take **Udyami Mitra portal** to the unserved and the underserved MSMEs.

World Bank projects India's growth rate at 7.3 per cent for the current fiscal:

➤ The World Bank has projected a growth rate of **7.3 percent** for India this year and **7.5 per cent for 2019 and 2020.** The bank also noted that Indian economy has recovered from the effects of demonetisation and the Goods and Services Tax.

➤ The World Bank in its twice-a-year South Asia Economic Focus report in Washington said that growth is expected to accelerate **from 6.7 in**

2017 to 7.3 per cent in 2018 and to subsequently stabilise supported by a sustained recovery in private investment and private consumption.

➤ World Bank acknowledged that disruptions from demonetisation and events surrounding the implementation of the GST led to a setback in economic activity and a potentially larger negative effect on the poor and vulnerable.

World Bank approves \$55mn for Bangladesh project:

➤ The **World Bank** has approved **\$55 million to expand the use of clean renewable energy** in rural areas of Bangladesh where grid electricity cannot reach easily.

➤ The additional financing to the **Second Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Development (RERED II) Project** will install 1,000 solar irrigation pumps, 30 solar mini-grids and about 4 million improved cooking stoves in rural areas.

L&T, BEL ink pact:

➤ **Larsen & Toubro** and **BEL** signed a memorandum of understanding for **defence products and systems** in line with efforts to indigenise defence sector under 'Make in India' initiative.

➤ The MoU intends to leverage well developed supply chain, experience and expertise of BEL and L&T to **synergise and enhance exports in the defence sector.**

PNB launches products to mark foundation:

➤ State-run **Punjab National Bank (PNB)** has launched new products such as **pre-approved credit card and UPI solution to mark its 124th foundation day (19th May 2018).**

➤ Besides, the bank announced its UPI partnership with the expense management app **WALNUT** that comes embedded with features such as bill reminders, bill-split and instant paperless loans.

Punjab National Bank

•**Headquarters:** New Delhi

•**MD & CEO:** Sunil Mehta

Bandhan Bank among top 50 most valuable publicly traded firms in India:

➤ Kolkata-based **Bandhan Bank Ltd** became one of the **top 50 most valuable publicly traded firms in India.** The market capitalization of Bandhan Bank was at **Rs. 64,000 crore**, claiming **50th rank**, according to BSE data.

➤ **Tata Consultancy Services Ltd** is the most valuable company in India, followed by **Reliance Industries Ltd** and **HDFC Bank Ltd.**

Yes Bank launches GST backed over draft facility for MSMEs

➤ **Yes Bank** has announced the launch of '**Yes GST', an OD (over draft) facility for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs).**

➤ Through this an MSME can avail OD **up to Rs 1 crore**, based on their annual turnover, backed by GST returns.

SBI allows cash withdrawal through PoS machines, no charges applicable:

➤ Amid the ongoing difficulties of **cash crunch** being faced in various states of India, the country's biggest lender, **State Bank of India (SBI)** has come up with an **alternate and convenient method of cash withdrawal** for its customers.

➤ It is now providing facilities of cash through '**Cash@POS**' initiative. Under this, the debit card holders of SBI and all other banks can withdraw cash from PoS machines installed by SBI across various merchant locations.

➤ The bank has said that a customer can withdraw **Rs 1000 in Tier I and Tier II cities** whereas **Rs 2000** can be withdrawn in Tier 3 to Tier 6 cities per day per card.

NABARD approves Rs 14,690 cr funding to Rajasthan:

➤ **National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)** has extended total credit support of **Rs 14,690 crore** to Rajasthan for 2017-18.

➤ Rajasthan has been one of the biggest beneficiaries under **the Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF)** of NABARD, under which NABARD disbursed concessional loan of Rs 1,851.29 crore to the state government during 2017-18.

Yes Bank Gets RBI Nod to Open Offices in London and Singapore:

➤ Private sector lender **Yes Bank** said that it has received the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) approval to open two representative offices in **London and Singapore.**

➤ Yes Bank opened its first representative office in **Abu Dhabi in April 2015** and also launched **IFSC Banking Unit (IBU)** at **GIFT City, Gandhinagar**, in the same year.

RBI revises its KYC guidelines:

➤ **KYC norms** have been revised following the government's decision to update the '**Prevention of Money Laundering**' rules in June last year.

➤ **RBI** made linking of **national biometric ID Aadhaar to bank accounts mandatory.** However, it said this will be subject to the final decision of the Supreme Court on making of Aadhaar mandatory.

➤ Till now, an Officially Valid Document for address proof together with **Permanent Account Number** issued by the Income Tax

department and a recent passport size photograph were the key KYC documents.

IOB inks information utility pact with NeSL:

➤ **Indian Overseas Bank (IOB)**, one of the leading public-sector banks, entered into an agreement for information utility services with the **National E-Governance Services Limited (NeSL).**

➤ The NeSL became **India's first information utility (IU)** for bankruptcy cases under the 'Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC) 2016' in October 2017.

➤ With this agreement, the IOB branches will be able to **provide high-quality**, authenticated information about debts and defaults; which will have more transparency in maintaining the list of borrowers, debtors, creditors and loan defaulters.

India's GDP expected to reach \$5 trillion by 2025: Economic Affairs Secretary

➤ **India** is poised to remain the fastest growing large economy in the world and its GDP is expected to reach **\$5 trillion by 2025** said by **Economic Affairs Secretary Subhash Chandra Garg.**

TCS becomes first Indian IT company to cross \$100 bn in market-cap:

➤ **Tata Consultancy Services (TCS)** has become the **first Indian \$100 billion-dollar company** in terms of market capitalisation (market-cap) in the IT pack, after the stock hit a new high in intra-day trade.

Bank of India inks pact with NeSL to share data under insolvency rules:

➤ State-run **Bank of India (BoI)** said it has entered into an agreement with **National E-Governance Services (NeSL)** for information utility (IU) arrangement under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC).

➤ As per the agreement, BoI will avail NeSL service to **expedite corporate insolvency resolution process.**

Paytm Payments Bank Registers 100M KYC Wallets

➤ **Paytm Payments Bank** announced that it now has over **100 million KYC wallets**, against the constant campaigning done by bank about the benefits of the Know Your Customer (KYC) system.

India replaces Vietnam to become world's second largest mobile phone producer:

➤ **India** is now the **second largest mobile phone producer** in the world after China.

➤ India replaced **Vietnam** to become second largest producer of mobile phones in 2017.

> The information has been shared by **Indian Cellular Association** with telecom minister Manoj Sinha and IT minister Ravi Shankar Prasad.
 > According to data shared by ICA, India accounted for **11% of global mobile production in 2017** compared to 3% in 2014.

ADB to give Rs 1,700 crore aid to U'khand:

> The **Asian Development Bank (ADB)** has agreed in principle to give an aid of **Rs 1,700 crore to Uttarakhand** for infrastructure development and creation of sewerage treatment facilities in urban areas.

World Press Freedom Index: India down two ranks to 138, one place above Pakistan:

> In 2018 rankings, **India** stands at **138**, one place above Pakistan. **Norway** tops the chart, while North Korea has the worst press freedom in the world.

Microsoft is India's best employer: Randstad survey

> **Microsoft India** has emerged as **India's most attractive employer brand** while **Amazon** India came second, according to findings of **Randstad Employer Brand Research 2018**, an independent employer branding survey conducted by the HR company Randstad.

NSE launches e - Gsec platform for bringing retail participation in Govt. Securities:

> **National Stock Exchange of India (NSE)** has announced the launch of its **"e - Gsec"** platform for facilitating the non-competitive

bidding in **Government of India Dated Securities (G-Sec) and Treasury Bills (T-Bills)**. This will allow retail investors to invest in Government Securities and hold them in existing demat accounts.

Rs 10,012 cr aid given to UP in 2017-18: NABARD

> Development bank **NABARD** said it has provided an assistance of **Rs 10,012 crore to Uttar Pradesh** during 2017-18 to facilitate overall development with special focus on agricultural credit.

NHAI inks pact with Macquarie

> The **National Highways Authority of India (NHAI)** entered into a pact with **Macquarie** for road projects under the highway monetisation drive.

> Agreement has been signed with Macquarie for the **first bundle of highway projects USD 1.5 billion one of the highest FDI in highways,**

Dalmia Bharat signs MoU to maintain heritage sites:

> **Dalmia Bharat Limited** has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Tourism Ministry to take up **Red Fort and Gandikota Fort (Andhra Pradesh)** under the **'Adopt a Heritage' project.**

> Becoming the **first corporate** to be part of the initiative, Dalmia Bharat will look after the

operations and the maintenance of these heritage sites for the **next five years.**

India Signs Loan Agreement with World Bank for Meghalaya

> India signs a **loan agreement of USD 48 million** for the **Meghalaya Community - Led Landscapes Management Project (MCLLMP)** was signed with the **World Bank.**

> The Loan Agreement was signed by **Mr. Sameer Kumar Khare**, Joint Secretary (MI), **Department of Economic Affairs** on behalf of the Government of India and **Mr. Hisham A Abdo Kahin**, Acting Country Director, **World Bank (India)** on behalf of the World Bank.

> The Objective of the Project is to strengthen community-led landscapes management in selected landscapes in the State of Meghalaya. The closing date of the Project is 30th June 2023.

AIIB approves \$140 million loan to improve Rural Connectivity in Madhya Pradesh

> The Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) will extend a **USD 140-million loan to improve rural connectivity in Madhya Pradesh.**

> Approximately 1.5 million rural residents in Madhya Pradesh stand to directly benefit from improved livelihoods, education and mobility.

> The project, co-financed **with the World Bank**, aims to improve rural road connectivity and management for residents of 5,640 villages who use the rural roads for daily activities.

> It was announced by AIIB VP and Chief Investment Officer **D J Pandian.**

APPOINTMENTS

S.No	Designation	Current	Previous
1.	New President of NASSCOM New Chairman of NASSCOM (2018-19) Vice Chairman of NASSCOM (2018-19)	Debjani Ghosh (former managing director of Intel South Asia) Rishad Premji Keshav Murugesh	R.Chandrashekhar Raman Roy
2.	Deputy Election Commissioner	Chandra Bhushan Kumar	
3.	CEO of Deutsche Bank Deputy CEO of Deutsche Bank	Christian Sewing Garth Ritchie	John Cryan -
4.	MD of LenddoEFL (India and South Asia)	Darshan Shah	
5.	New Chairman of Boao Forum for Asia	Ban Ki-moon (Former UN Secretary-General)	Yasuo Fukuda
6.	Re-elected President of Egypt	Abdel Fattah al-Sisi	
7.	Director General of Central Industrial Security Force (CISF)	Rajesh Ranjan (till November 30, 2020)	OP Singh
8.	Interim Chairman of Hindustan Unilever Ltd	Sanjiv Mehta	Harish Manwani
9.	New Chairman of Banks Board Bureau (BBB)	Bhanu Pratap Sharma	Vinod Rai (First chairman of BBB)
10.	Next Ambassador of India to the Republic of Korea	Sripriya Ranganathan	Vikram K Doraiswami
11.	Director General of National Cadet Corps (NCC)	Lt Gen PP Malhotra	Lt Gen BS Sahrawat

12.	Director General Border Roads (DGBR)	Lt Gen Harpal Singh	
13.	First Woman to head UN political affairs	Rosemary DiCarlo	Jeffrey Feltman
14.	Next Ambassador of India to the Republic Of Serbia	Subrata Bhattacharjee	
15.	New CEO & MD of SBI Life Insurance Company Limited	Sanjeev Nautiyal	Arijit Basu
16.	President Of Badminton Association Of India	Himanta Biswa Sarma	Akhilesh Das Gupta
17.	Director General of Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) and Secretary of the Department of Health Research	Balram Bhargava	
18.	Secretary General of industry body Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI)	Dilip Chenoy	Sanjaya Baru
19.	13th administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration	Jim Bridenstine	
20.	Next Head of Commonwealth	Prince Charles	Queen Elizabeth II
21.	US secretary of state	Mike Pompeo	Rex Tillerson
22.	First woman lawyer of Supreme Court judge	Indu Malhotra	
23.	UN Special Envoy for Myanmar	Christine Schraner Burgener	
24.	New president of Paraguay	Mario Abdo Benitez	
25.	President and whole-time director of IndiGo	Greg Taylor	Aditya Ghosh (Resigned)
26.	Re-appointed as managing director and CEO of Bandhan Bank.	Chandra Shekhar Ghosh	
27.	Chairman Of The Central Panel of The 65th National Film Awards	Shekhar Kapur (Veteran director)	
28.	Deputy Collector by the Andhra Pradesh Government	Kidambi Srikanth (Ace Indian shuttler)	
29.	Prime Minister of Hungarian	Viktor Orban (third consecutive term)	
30.	New President of Montenegro	Milo Djukanovic (Social Democratic Party (DPS))	

Recent Brand Ambassadors:

- > **Shooter Gauri Sheoran:** Brand Ambassador for Haryana's Two Health Programmes (Measles and Rubella (MR) vaccination campaign. And also, for Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK))
- > **India's teen shooter Manu Bhaker:** Brand Ambassador of Haryana's Measles and Rubella (Mr) Vaccination Campaign.

AWARDS & HONOURS

S.no	Awards	Winner
1.	J.C. Daniel Award 2018	Sreekumaran Thampi (Lyricist and director)
2.	2018 Presidential Award from the American Society of Naturalists (ASN).	National Centre for Biological Sciences (NCBS)
3.	Dadasaheb Phalke Excellence award 2018 Dadasaheb Phalke Award 2018 posthumously	Anushka Sharma (Bollywood actor) Vinod Khanna (Veteran actor)
4.	Raj Kapoor Lifetime Achievement Award 2018	Rajkumar Hirani (Filmmaker) and Dharmendra (Veteran actor)
5.	V Shantaram Lifetime Achievement award V Shantaram Special Contribution awards	Vijay Chavan (Veteran Marathi actor) Mrinal Kulkarni (Actor-Director)
6.	National Intellectual Property (IP) Award 2018	Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) (Category: Top R&D Institution / Organization for Patents and Commercialization)
7.	UN Press Freedom Prize 2018	Egyptian photojournalist Mahmoud Abou Zeid

President Ram Nath Kovind presents prestigious Padma awards to 43 personalities:

The President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind presented five Padma Bhushan and thirty-eight Padma Shri Awards (April 2, 2018) at a Civil Investiture Ceremony held at Rashtrapati Bhavan. The Padma awards list comprises three Padma Vibhushan, nine Padma Bhushan and 72 Padma Shri awards. Here some of the famous people who conferred with this awards are listed:

Padma Vibhushan:

- **Ilayaraja:** Art (Music), Tamil Nadu

- **Ghulam Mustafa Khan:** Art (Music), Uttar Pradesh
- **P Parameswaran:** Literature & Education, Kerala
- **Padma Bhusan:**
- **Pankaj Advani:** Sports - Billiards/Snooker, Karnataka
- **Mahendra Singh Dhoni:** Sports-Cricket, Jharkhand
- **Laxman Pai:** Eminent Painter
- **Sharda Sinha:** Singer
- **Alexander Kadakin (Late):** Former Russian Envoy to India (posthumously)

Padma Shri:

- **Saikhom Mirabai Chanu:** Sports-Weightlifting, Manipur
- **Somdev Devvarman:** Sports-Tennis, Tripura
- **Murlikant Petkar:** Sports-Swimming, Maharashtra
- **Kidambi Srikanth:** Sports-Badminton, Andhra Pradesh
- **Manoj Joshi:** Film and Television Actor
- **Tomio Mizokami:** Professor Emeritus of Osaka University in Japan
- **Ramli Ibrahim :** Malaysia's famous Indian classical dancer and choreographer

- **Doddarange Gowda:** Kannada lyricist
- **Damodar Ganesh Bapat:** Leprosy Crusader from Chattisgarh
- **Zaverilal Mehta:** Photojournalist
- **Romulus Whitaker:** Wildlife Conservationist and Herpetologist

2018 Pulitzer Prizes Winners:

The winners of the 2018 Pulitzer Prizes were announced at Columbia University in **New York City**. There are 14 categories for reporting, photography, criticism and commentary.

Category: Public Service

- The New York Times, for reporting led by Jodi Kantor and Megan Twohey, and The New Yorker, for reporting by Ronan Farrow

Category: Breaking News Reporting

- Staff of The Press Democrat, Santa Rosa, Calif.

Category: National Reporting

- Staffs of The New York Times and The Washington Post

Category: Fiction

- Less, by Andrew Sean Greer (Lee Boudreaux Books/Little, Brown and Company)

Category: Drama

- Cost of Living, by Martyna Majok

Category: History

- The Gulf: The Making of an American Sea, by Jack E. Davis (Liveright/W.W. Norton)

Category: Biography

- Prairie Fires: The American Dreams of Laura Ingalls Wilder, by Caroline Fraser (Metropolitan Books)

Category: Poetry

- Half-light: Collected Poems 1965-2016, by Frank Bidart (Farrar, Straus and Giroux)

Category: General Non-fiction

- Locking Up Our Own: Crime and Punishment in Black America, by James Forman Jr. (Farrar, Straus and Giroux)

Category: Music

- DAMN, by Kendrick Lamar

65th National Film Awards: Complete list of winners:

The **65th National Film Awards ceremony** is an upcoming event during which the Directorate of Film Festivals presents its annual National Film Awards to honour the best films of 2017 in Indian cinema. The awards ceremony will be held on **3 May 2018**. The National Film Awards will be presented by **President Ram Nath Kovind**.

Here's the complete list of awards:

- **Dada Saheb Phalke Award:** Vinod Khanna
- **Best Director:** Jayaraj for Bhayanakam (Malayalam)
- **Best Film:** Village Rockstars (Assamese)
- **Best Popular Film:** Baahubali 2
- **Special Mention Awards:** Murakhiya (Marathi Film); Hello RC (Odia film); Take Off (Malayalam film); Pankaj Tripathi (for Newton); Malayalam actor Parvathy (for Take Off)

- **Best Regional Film:** Ladhakh
- **Best Marathi Film:** Kaccha Limbu
- **Best Malayam Film:** Thondimuthalum Driksakshiyum
- **Best Hindi Film:** Newton
- **Best Bengali Film:** Mayurakshi
- **Best Assamese Film:** Ishu
- **Best Tamil Film:** To Let
- **Best Telugu:** Gazi
- **Best Gujarati:** DHH
- **Best Action Direction:** Baahubali 2
- **Best Choreography:** Toilet Ek Prem Katha (Ganesh Acharya is the choreographer)
- **Best Film Critic:** Giridhar Jha
- **Special Mention for Film Criticism:** Sunil Mishra of Madhya Pradesh
- **Best Special Effects:** Baahubali 2
- **Special Jury Award:** Nagar Kirtan(Bengali)
- **Best Lyrics:** Muthu Ratna, for Kannada film March 22
- **Best Music Direction:** A R Rahman for Kaatru Veliyidai
- **Background score:** AR Rahman for Mom
- **Best Make Up artist:** Ram Razak for Nagar Kirtan
- **Best Production Design:** Santosh Rajan (Malayalam)
- **Best editing:** Reema Das (for an Assamese film)
- **Best Screenplay Original:** Thondimuthalum Driksakshiyum
- **Best Adapted Screenplay:** Bhayankam, to Jairaj
- **Best Film playback Singer:** Shasha Tirupati (Vaan Varuvaan song)
- **Best Male Playback Singer:** Yesudas for Poy Maranja Kalam from Viswasapoorvam Mansoor
- **Best supporting actress:** Divya Dutta, Irada (Hindi Film)
- **Best Supporting Actor:** Fahad Faazil
- **Best Actress:** Sridevi for Mom
- **Best Actor:** Ridhhi Sen, Nagar Kirtan
- **Best Film for National Integration:** Dhappa (Marathi)

Dadahaheb Phalke Excellence Awards 2018: The prestigious Dadasaheb Phalke Awards 2018 took place in **Mumbai**.

Here's the list of the winners:

- **Best actor (male):** Shahid Kapoor
- **Best actor people's choice award:** Ranveer Singh
- **Entertainer of the year:** Kartik Aryan
- **Best actress (critics):** Aditi Rao Hydari
- **Lifetime achievement award:** Simi Garewal
- **Pride of Indian cinema:** Sanjay Dutt
- **Path breaking producer of the year:** Anushka Sharma and Karnesh Sharma
- **Best director:** Ashwiny Iyer Tiwari
- **Outstanding performance male:** Raj Kumar Rao, Rana Daggubati

- **Outstanding performance female:** Tamannah Bhatia, Kriti Sanon
- **Promising face of the year:** Aahana Kumra
- **Best actor (male) Marathi:** Vaibhav Tatwawaadi
- **Best actor (female) Marathi:** Pooja Sawant
- **Best fashion designer of the year:** Sanjukta Dutta
- **Socially conscious performance of the year:** Rani Mukherjee
- **Best comic role:** Tusshar Kapoor
- **Entertaining performance in reality show Bigg Boss:** Hina Khan
- **Best actress drama award:** Jennifer Winget
- **Best actor (male) Television:** Karan Patel
- **Best reality show judge:** Shilpa Shetty
- **Best talk show host:** Karan Johar
- **Best lyricist:** Manoj Muntashir
- **Best performance in a short film:** Divya Khosla Kumar
- **Iconic contribution towards music:** Hans Raj Hans
- **Comic performer of the year:** Sumona Chakraborty
- **Versatile singer:** Rani Hazarika
- **Social and business entrepreneur of the year:** Jaya Misra

STATIC TAKEN FROM APRIL 2018 CURRENT AFFAIRS & BANKING:

Country	Capital	Currency
Montenegro	Podgorica	Euro
Azerbaijan	Baku	Azerbaijani manat
Lebanon	Beirut	Lebanese pound
Japan	Tokyo	Japanese yen
USA	Washington D.C.	American dollar
UAE	Abu Dhabi	United Arab Emirates dirham
Syria	Damascus	Syrian pound
Turkey	Ankara	Turkish lira
Egypt	Cairo	Egyptian pound
South Korea	Seoul	Won

NASSCOM

➤ The National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM) is a trade association of Indian Information Technology (IT) and Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) industry.

➤ Headquarters: **New Delhi**

Deutsche Bank:

➤ Deutsche Bank AG is a German investment bank and financial services company.

- Headquarters: **Frankfurt, Germany**
- Boao Forum for Asia (BFA)**
- The **Boao Forum for Asia (BFA)** is a non-profit organisation that hosts high-level forums for leaders from government, business and academia in Asia and other continent.
- Headquarters: **Beijing, China**
- Banks Board Bureau:**
- The BBB is an **autonomous body** of the Government of India and tasked to improve the governance of public sector banks.
- It recommends selection of chiefs of government owned banks and financial institutions and to help banks in developing strategies and capital raising plans. It was started functioning from April 2016.
- **Bhanu Pratap Sharma** is the new Chairman of BBB.
- Headquarters: **Mumbai**

- Bandhan Bank:**
- **Bandhan Bank Ltd.** is an Indian banking and financial services company headquartered in **Kolkata, West Bengal.**
- Bandhan Bank Chairman: **Ashok Lahiri**

- BOOKS AND AUTHOR**
- "Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar: Vyakti Nahin Sankalp"**
- President Ram Nath Kovind received the first copy of the book **Dr Babasaheb Ambedkar: Vyakti Nahin Sankalp'** from Vice President Venkaiah Naidu on the **125th birth anniversary of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar.**
- The book was a slim volume but covered the inspiring life of Ambedkar and several dimensions of his ideas and personality.
- The editor of the book is **Shri Kishor Makwana.**

- SPORTS**
- Commonwealth Games 2018: Highlights**
- The **2018 Commonwealth Games**, officially known as the **XXI Commonwealth Games** and commonly known as **Gold Coast 2018**, were an international multi-sport event for members of the Commonwealth that were held on the Gold Coast, **Queensland, Australia**, between 4 and 15 April 2018.
- It was the **fifth time Australia** had hosted the Commonwealth Games and the **first time a major multi-sport event** achieved gender equality by having an equal number of events for males and female athletes.
- **Motto** - Share the Dream
- **Nations participating** - 71 Commonwealth Teams

- **Officially opened by** - Charles, Prince of Wales
- **Officially closed by** - Edward, Earl of Wessex
- Ranking**
- **First – Australia** (80 – Gold, 59- Silver, 59- Bronze; Total - 198)
- **Second – England** (45 – Gold, 45- Silver, 46- Bronze; Total - 136)
- **Third – India** (26 – Gold, 20- Silver, 20- Bronze; Total - 66)

- India at the 2018 Commonwealth Games**
- **Competitors:** 216 in 15 sports
- **Flag bearer** **Opening:** P. V. Sindhu
- **Flag bearer Closing:** Mary Kom

SHOOTING (GOLD 7 | SILVER 4 | BRONZE 5)

Name	Medal	Event
Heena Sindhu	Gold	Women's 25m Pistol
Manu Bhaker	Gold	Women's 10m Air Pistol
Sanjeev Rajput	Gold	Men's 50m Rifle 3 Positions
Jitu Rai	Gold	Men's 10m Air Pistol
Anish	Gold	Men's 25m Rapid Fire Pistol
Shreyasi Singh	Gold	Women's Double Trap
Tejaswini Sawant	Gold	Women's 50m Rifle 3 Positions
Anjum Moudgil	Silver	Women's 50m Rifle 3 Positions
Heena Sindhu	Silver	Women's 10m Air Pistol
Mehuli Ghosh	Silver	Women's 10m Air Rifle
Tejaswini Sawant	Silver	Women's 50m Rifle Prone
Apurvi Chandela	Bronze	Women's 10m Air Rifle
Om Mitharval	Bronze	Men's 10m Air Pistol

Ravi Kumar	Bronze	Men's 10m Air Rifle
Om Mitharval	Bronze	Men's 50m Pistol
Ankur Mittal	Bronze	Men's Double Trap

WRESTLING (Gold 5 | Silver 3 | Bronze 4)

Name	Medal	Event
Sushil Kumar	Gold	Men's Freestyle 74kg
Vinesh Phogat	Gold	Women's Freestyle 50kg
Rahul Aware	Gold	Men's Freestyle 57kg
Bajrang Punia	Gold	Men's Freestyle 65kg
Sumit	Gold	Men's Freestyle 125kg
Pooja Dhanda	Silver	Women's Freestyle 57kg
Mausam Khatri	Silver	Men's Freestyle 97kg
Babita Kumari	Silver	Women's Freestyle 53kg
Kiran	Bronze	Women's Freestyle 76kg
Sakshi Malik	Bronze	Women's Freestyle 62kg
Somveer	Bronze	Men's Freestyle 86kg
Divya Kakran	Bronze	Women's Freestyle 68kg

WEIGHTLIFTING (Gold 5 | Silver 2 | Bronze 2)

Name	Medal	Event
Saikhom Mirabai Chanu	Gold	Women's 48kg

Khumukcham Sanjita Chanu	Gold	Women's 53kg
Venkat Ragala Rahul	Gold	Men's 85kg
Sathish Kumar Sivalingam	Gold	Men's 77kg
Punam Yadav	Gold	Women's 69kg
Gururaja	Silver	Men's 56kg
Pardeep Singh	Silver	Men's 105kg
Deepak Lather	Bronze	Men's 69kg
Vikas Thakur	Bronze	Men's 94kg

BOXING (Gold 3 | Silver 3 | Bronze 3)

Name	Medal	Event
MC Mary Kom	Gold	Women's 45-48kg
Vikas Krishan	Gold	Men's 75kg
Gaurav Solanki	Gold	Men's 52kg
Amit	Silver	Men's 46-49kg
Satish Kumar	Silver	Men's +91kg
Manish Kaushik	Silver	Men's 60kg
Manoj Kumar	Bronze	Men's 69kg
Naman Tanwar	Bronze	Men's 91kg
Hussamuddin Mohammed	Bronze	Men's 56kg

TABLE TENNIS (Gold 3 | Silver 2 | Bronze 3)

Name	Medal	Event
India	Gold	Men's Team
India	Gold	Women's Team
Manika Batra	Gold	Women's Singles

Manika Batra/Mouma Das	Silver	Women's Doubles
Achanta Sharath/Sathiyam Gnanasekaran	Silver	Men's Doubles
Sathiyam Gnanasekaran/Manika Batra	Bronze	Mixed Doubles
Harmeet Desai/Sanil Shetty	Bronze	Men's Doubles
Achanta Sharath	Bronze	Men's Singles

BADMINTON (Gold 2 | Silver 3 | Bronze 1)

Name	Medal	Event
India	Gold	Mixed Team
Saina Nehwal	Gold	Women's Singles
Kidambi Srikanth	Silver	Men's Singles
PV Sindhu	Silver	Women's Singles
Satwik Rankireddy /Chirag Shetty	Silver	Men's Doubles
Satwik Rankireddy /Ashwini Ponnappa	Bronze	Women's Doubles

ATHLETICS (Gold 1 | Silver 1 | Bronze 1)

Name	Medal	Event
Neeraj Chopra	Gold	Men's Javelin Throw
Seema Punia	Silver	Women's Discus Throw
Navjeet Dhillon	Bronze	Women's Discus Throw

SQUASH (SILVER 2)

Name	Medal	Event
Dipika Pallikal Karthik	Silver	Mixed doubles

Saurav Ghosal		
Dipika Pallikal Karthik	Silver	Women's doubles
Joshna Chinappa		

Powerlifting (1BRONZE)

Name	Medal	Event
Sachin Chaudhary	Bronze	Men's heavyweight

Mithali Raj Adjudged 'Sportsperson of the Year':

- Indian women's cricket team captain **Mithali Raj** was adjudged '**Sportsperson of the Year**'.
- Ace shuttlers **Kidambi Srikanth** and **PV Sindhu** bagged the **Best Senior Male and Female Athletes** at the **Telangana Sports Journalists Association annual awards** for 2017.
- Former Indian cricketer **VVS Laxman** presented '**Best Coach of the Year**' award to Gopichand.
- Triple Olympian and former national hockey player **N Mukesh Kumar** was honoured with the **Lifetime Achievement award** at the event.

Miami Open 2018:

- Miami Open 2018** was the 34th edition of the Miami Open, which was held at **Florida, United States**.
- **Men's Singles** - John Isner (USA)
 - **Women's Singles** - Sloane Stephens (USA)
 - **Men's Doubles** - Mike Bryan (USA), Bob Bryan (USA)
 - **Women's Doubles** - CoCo Vandeweghe (USA), Ashleigh Barty (Australia)

Kerala lifts their sixth Santosh Trophy:

- **Kerala** has lifted their **Sixth Santosh Trophy Football title**. The final match held at the **Salt Lake Stadium in Kolkata**.
- Kerala defeated **West Bengal** to clinch the title.
- The Santosh Trophy is an association football knock-out competition contested by the regional state associations and government institutions under the **All India Football Federation**, the sport's governing body in India.

Ankita Raina, Ramkumar Ramanathan achieve career-best tennis rankings:

- India's **Ankita Raina** and **Ramkumar Ramanathan** have achieved their career-best tennis rankings in Singles.

- In the WTA chart, **Ankita** leapfrogged 43 places to reach the **212th spot**, while in the ATP rankings **Ramanathan** became **World No. 132**, after climbing four places.
- In the ATP rankings, the country's top singles player **Yuki Bhambri** jumped two places and is now ranked **105**, Sumit Nagal at the **213** position.

Mithali Raj becomes most capped player in women's ODIs

- Indian skipper, **Mithali Raj** marked her name in record books after becoming the **Most Capped Player** in women's ODI cricket. Mithali surpassed **England's Charlotte Edwards**, who retired in September 2017 with 191 ODIs under her belt.
- Raj achieved the milestone when she led the Indian team in first match of the **ICC Women's Championship ODI series** at Vidarbha Cricket Association Stadium in Nagpur.
- She also holds the records of being **highest run-getter** in women's ODIs.
- She is an **Arjuna Award winner** and was also honoured with the **Padma Shri** in 2015, India's fourth highest civilian award for her contribution to cricket.
- Veteran pacer **Jhulan Goswami** is third in the list with 167* ODIs.

Bahrain grand Prix 2018: Sebastian Vettel

- Ferrari's **Sebastian Vettel** won the **Bahrain Grand Prix** and Mercedes' **Valtteri Bottas** clinched the second spot.
- Mercedes' **Hamilton**, who started only ninth, completed the podium in the third place.

Kidambi Srikanth first Indian male badminton player to become world No. 1:

- Kidambi Srikanth became the **first Indian male to become world No. 1 in badminton rankings**.
- The ace Indian shuttler defeated **Denmark's Viktor Axelsen** to reach to the top of rankings. He's the second Indian to do so after Saina Nehwal, who became the first Indian to climb atop the world rankings in 2015.

Leander Paes Becomes Most Successful Player in Davis Cup:

- **Leander Paes** created a **New World Record** by becoming the most successful **doubles player in Davis Cup history, winning his 43rd such match**.
- In the 43rd match, Paes and Bopanna beat **China's Mao-Xin Gong & Di Wu** to create history in **Tianjin, China**.

- Paes was tied on 42 wins with Italian great **Nicola Pietrangeli** for a long time.
- The **Davis Cup** is a well-known international team event in men's tennis run by the **International Tennis Federation (ITF)**.

Ankita Raina becomes only third Indian woman to break top-200 barrier

- **Ankita Raina** became the only **third Indian woman tennis player** to breach the top-200 rankings in singles. She jumped 15 places to reach a career-best **197 in the WTA chart**.
- In the singles ranking, **Karman Kaur Thandi** was the next best Indian at number 267.
- In the doubles, **Rohan Bopanna** was highest-ranked at number 19 and was followed by **Divij Sharan** in 42nd place. Leander Paes holds the 45th position.

Germany top FIFA rankings, Brazil second:

- **The FIFA/Coca-Cola World Ranking of April 2018** ranked current world champions, **Germany at the top** and **Brazil at the second spot**.
- The rankings list featured Germany, Brazil, Belgium, Portugal, Argentina, Switzerland, France, Spain, Chile and Poland **in the top ten**.
- On the other hand, four-time World Cup champions **Italy** fell six spots to the 20th rank.
- New members of FIFA, **Kosovo** and **Burkina Faso** reached their highest-ever positions of 152nd and 196th respectively.

Yuki Bhambri wins Taipei Challenger:

- **Yuki Bhambri** defeated fellow **Davis Cupper Ramkumar Ramanathan** his fourth successive victory in five meetings — to clinch the title in the **\$150,000 Challenger tennis tournament**.
- In the doubles final, however, **Prajesh Gunneswaran** and **Saketh Myneni** were beaten by Matthew Ebden and Andrew Whittington of Australia.

K T Irfan, Rakesh Babu sent home from CWG:

- **Indian race walker K T Irfan and triple jumper V Rakesh Babu** were sent home of breaching the event's strict no needle policy.
- A **syringe** was **recovered by the cleaners** in a cup on the bedside table of the room occupied by the two athletes.
- **Rakesh Babu and Irfan Kolothum Thodi** are with immediate effect not permitted to participate in the Games. The accreditation of Rakesh Babu and Irfan Kolothum Thodi was suspended with effect from 09:00 hours on April 13, 2018.

Muskan Bhanwala wins 25m pistol bagging India's fourth individual gold at ISSF Junior World Cup:

- India's **Muskan Bhanwala** won her **first and India's fourth individual gold medal** at the **International Shooting Federation Junior World Cup (ISSF)** in **Sydney**.
- The 16-year-old finished on top in the **25m pistol women junior event** with a total score of 35.
- **China's Qin Sihang** won the silver while Thailand's 16-year-old **Kanyakorn Hirunphoem** bagged bronze to complete the podium.

17-year-old Pune swimmer double crosses Bangla Channel, sets world record:

- Pune-based 17-year-old swimmer **Sampanna Ramesh Shelar** has set a **world record to double cross the Bangla Channel**.
- Shelar, is the **first person** to swim to and from Saint Martin's Island Jetty to Teknaf in Bangladesh also known as the Bangla Channel.
- He started swimming at about 5 am and completed the journey of **32.2 kilometers** in **9 hours and 10 minutes**.

Daniel Ricciardo wins Chinese Grand Prix for Red Bull:

- **Daniel Ricciardo** made a string of thrilling overtaking moves to snatch a surprise **Chinese Grand Prix** victory.
- **Valtteri Bottas** was second for Mercedes with fellow-Finn **Kimi Raikkonen** **third for Ferrari**.

FIBA Basketball World Cup 2019 unveils official mascot:

- **"Son of Dreams"** was unveiled as **official Mascot** of the **FIBA Basketball World Cup 2019**.
- The **2019 FIBA Basketball World Cup** will be the **18th tournament** of the FIBA Basketball World Cup for men's national basketball teams.
- Host nation: **China**

16th Federation Cup Jr National athletics ch'ship begins

- Over 800 athletes from 32 states across the country will take part in the **16th Federation Cup Junior National athletics championship**, begins at **Coimbatore**.
- The meet will serve as the selections trials for the **18th Asian Junior Athletic Meet** to be held at **Gifu, Japan**, in June.

Rafael Nadal beats Kei Nishikori to win 11th Monte Carlo Masters title:

> **Rafael Nadal** romped to a record **11th Monte Carlo Masters title** by brushing aside Kei Nishikori to retain the world number one ranking.

Liverpool's Egyptian star Mohamed Salah crowned PFA Player of the Year:

> **Liverpool's Mohamed Salah** became the **first Egyptian footballer** to win the **PFA Player of the Year award**.

India win 8th South Asian Judo Championship:

> **India** have clinched the title of team champion in the **8th series of South Asian Judo Championship in Kathmandu, Nepal**.

> **In the men's team category**, India defeated arch-rivals Pakistan 3-2 in the finals to claim the title. Under the **women's team category**, India thrashed hosts Nepal 5-0 to seal the title.

> **India** ended their campaign in the tournament with a total of **12 Gold** medals and **three Bronze** medals.

IMPORTANT DAYS

Important Days/Event	Celebrated/Observed	Theme of 2018
World Autism Awareness Day	April 2 nd	"Empowering Women and Girls with Autism"
National Maritime Day (55 th)	April 5 th	"Indian Shipping – An Ocean of opportunity"
International Children's Book Day	April 2 nd	"Let us Growth with the Book"
World Health Day	April 7 th	"Health for All"
World Hemophilia Day	April 17 th	"Sharing Knowledge"
International Day for Monuments and Sites (IDMS) or World Heritage Day	April 18 th	"Heritage for Generations"
World Book and Copyright Day	April 23 rd	"READING, it's my right!"

World Malaria Day	April 25 th	"Ready to beat malaria"
World Intellectual Property Day	April 26 th	"Powering Change: Women in Innovation and Creativity."

OBITUARY

Film Director C.V. Rajendran Passes Away

> The Tamil film director C.V. Rajendran, who was part of late C.V. Sridhar's unit passed away.

> He directed a few memorable films like *Kalatta Kalyanam*, *Sumathi En Sundari* and *Raja* starring Sivaji Ganesan and Jayalalithaa and *Ponoonjal*.

Efraín Ríos Montt Passes away

> Efraín Ríos Montt, a former military dictator of Guatemala has passed away.

> He had symbolised crimes against humanity in the 1980s at one of the deadliest periods of a brutal civil war.

Guatemala

• **Capital:** Guatemala City

• **Currency:** Guatemalan quetzal

Veteran Journalist S Nihal Singh Passes Away

> The veteran **journalist S Nihal Singh** has passed away.

> S Nihal Singh had worked with several leading newspapers including The Indian Express, The Statesman and Khaleej Times.

Former US 1st Lady Passes Away

> Former US first lady **Barbara Bush** has passed away.

> As the first lady, from 1989 to 1993, she embraced the cause of universal literacy and founded a foundation for family literacy.

CURRENT AFFAIRS QUIZ:

Q.1) The "Rupashree" scheme is launched by which of the following state?

- a) Karnataka
- b) Tamil Nadu
- c) West Bengal
- d) Assam
- e) Maharashtra

Q.2) The Naitwar Mori Hydro Electric Project was located in which of the following river?

- a) Indus
- b) Tons
- c) Godavari
- d) Krishna
- e) Cauvery

Q.3) Who is the MD and Chairman of SJVNL (Satluj Jal Vidyut Nigam Limited)?

- a) Vinu Kiran Raja
- b) Nand Lal Sharma
- c) Kiran Vishu Raja
- d) Nandhu Lal Verma
- e) None of these

Q.4) Which of the following state has implemented the e-way bill system for moving goods within the State?

- a) Madhya Pradesh
- b) Rajasthan
- c) Gujarat
- d) Odisha
- e) Karnataka

Q.5) The transporters have to produce a e-way bill for moving goods of worth over how much amount from one State to another?

- a) Rs 50,000
- b) Rs 30,000
- c) Rs 40,000
- d) Rs 10,000
- e) Rs 20,000

Q.6) Where is the headquarters of NHA located?

- a) New Delhi
- b) Hyderabad
- c) Mumbai
- d) Chennai
- e) Pune

Q.7) Kadaknath chicken gets Geographical Indication tag, is found in which of the following state?

- a) Maharashtra
- b) Madhya Pradesh
- c) Haryana
- d) Andhra Pradesh
- e) Arunachal Pradesh

Q.8) Foal Eagle is the joint military exercise between which of the following countries?

- a) South Korea and North Korea
- b) The United States and South Korea
- c) South Korea and India
- d) India and the US
- e) None of these

Q.9) What is the abbreviation of "C" in NASSCOM?

- a) Computer
- b) Course
- c) Country
- d) Companies
- e) None of these

Q.10) Who has been appointed as the president of NASSCOM?

- a) Nandan Nilekani
- b) Dewang Mehta
- c) Raman Roy
- d) Rajesh Verma
- e) Debjani Ghosh

Q.11) Where is the Headquarters of NASSCOM located?

- a) Bengaluru
- b) Cochin
- c) Hyderabad
- d) Pune
- e) New Delhi

Q.12) Who has been conferred with "Best Senior male" at the Telangana Sports Journalists Association annual awards for 2017?

- a) Virat Kohli
- b) Kidambi Srikanth
- c) Sushil Kumar
- d) MAnpreet Singh
- e) Viswanathan Anand

Q.13) Who has clinched the Men's Single Miami Open 2018?

- a) Mike Bryan
- b) Bob Bryan
- c) Chen Long
- d) John Isner
- e) Lin Dan

Q.14) C.V. Rajendran, who recently passed away belongs to which field?

- a) Film Director
- b) Actor
- c) Writer
- d) Musician
- e) Singer

Q.15) What is the theme of World Autism Awareness Day 2018?

- a) Autism World 2018
- b) Empowering Girls
- c) Empowering Women and Girls with Autism
- d) Towards Bold World
- e) Empowering Women in the World

Q.16) According to research done by the Indian Cellular Association (ICA), which country is the largest mobile phone producer in the world?

- a) China
- b) India
- c) Japan
- d) Germany
- e) US

Q.17) What is the rank of India in the global startup ecosystem in 2017?

- a) 41st
- b) 37th
- c) 43rd
- d) 38th
- e) 42nd

Q.18) What is the mission life for GSAT-6A, a high power communication satellite, which had failed recently?

- a) 1 years
- b) 15 years
- c) 7 years
- d) 10 years
- e) 15 years

Q.19) According to Bloomberg Billionaires Index, who is the third richest person in the world?

- a) Jeff Bezos
- b) Mukesh Ambani
- c) Warren Buffett
- d) Jack Ma
- e) Pony Ma

Q.20) Who is has been re-elected as the president of Egypt?

- a) Abdel Fattah al-Sisi
- b) Mousa Mostafa Mousa
- c) Mohamed Mursi
- d) Ahmed Mohamed Mursi
- e) Abdullah Fattah al-Sisi

Q.21) "Samridhi- virtual assistant" was launched by which of the following?

- a) GOI
- b) RBI
- c) NABARD
- d) SIDBI
- e) SBI

Q.22) Which ride-hailing major Ola has acquired end-to-end public transport ticketing app Ridlr?

- a) Uber
- b) Mytaxi
- c) Ola
- d) Didi
- e) Curb

Q.23) Who has been appointed as Deputy Election Commissioner?

- a) Subha Shekar
- b) Chandra Bhushan Kumar
- c) Chandra Kumar
- d) Sheron Raj
- e) Arvind Kumaravek

Q.24) J.C. Daniel Award, Kerala government's highest honour is given for which of the following field?

- a) Literature
- b) Cinema
- c) Science
- d) Sports
- e) None of these

Q.25) Name the former Russian Envoy to India who has been conferred with Padma Bhushan Award posthumously?

- a) Nikolay Rishatovich
- b) Ivan Benediktov
- c) Mikhail Menshikov
- d) Viktor Isakov
- e) Alexander Kadakin

Q.26) What is theme of International Children's Book Day?

- a) Books and Translations
- b) Let us Growth with the Book
- c) Literacy Changes Live
- d) Reading: a non-stop Journey
- e) Evolution of Book Production, from Writing to Digital

Q.27) Who is the CEO of Ola?

- a) Vineesh Sharma
- b) Bhavish Aggarwal
- c) Anudhar Singh
- d) Shri vishwas
- e) None of these

Q.28) Where is the Headquarters of SIDBI?

- a) Lucknow
- b) Noida
- c) Hyderabad
- d) New Delhi
- e) Mumbai

Q.29) Name the satellite which has lost contact with ISRO?

- a) GSAT-2A
- b) GSAT-6A
- c) GSAT-3A
- d) GSAT-4A
- e) GSAT-5A

Q.30) Representing India who attends the meeting of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) in Azerbaijan?

- a) Narendra Modi
- b) Venkaiah Naidu
- c) Prakash Javadekar
- d) Sushma Swaraj
- e) Arvind Subramanian

Q.31) What is the Capital of Azerbaijan?

- a) Phnom Penh
- b) Baku
- c) Minsk
- d) San Jose
- e) Tallinn

Q.32) Who released the India Rankings 2018 for Higher Educational Institutions?

- a) Women & Child Development Ministry
- b) Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Ministry
- c) Law and Justice Ministry
- d) Human Resources Ministry

e) Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Ministry

Q.33) Where did the India-Japan-US trilateral Dialogue held?

- a) Chennai
- b) New Delhi
- c) Pune
- d) Mumbai
- e) Kolkata

Q.34) Name the power plant which has been inaugurated by Turkish president Recep Tayyip Erdogan and Russian counterpart Vladimir Putin recently?

- a) Bruce nuclear power plant
- b) Akkuyu nuclear power plant
- c) Hanul nuclear power plant
- d) Hanbit nuclear power plant
- e) Paluel nuclear power plant

Q.35) A Memorandum of Undertaking (MoU) was signed between the Indian Army and which of the following bank on the Defence Salary Package?

- a) SBI
- b) HDFC Bank
- c) Axis Bank
- d) Bank of Baroda
- e) Bank of Maharashtra

Q.36) What is the abbreviation of "P" in UAPA?

- a) Prudential
- b) Pricing
- c) Prevention
- d) Produce
- e) Price

Q.37) Japan's SoftBank Group Corp has agreed to launch Indian joint solar energy venture with Chinese firm GCL System Integration Technology Co, for how much amount?

- a) \$930 million
- b) \$230 million
- c) \$830 million
- d) \$630 million
- e) \$730 million

Q.38) What is the rank of India in global findex report 2017?

- a) 5
- b) 8
- c) 8
- d) 9
- e) 2

Q.39) Which country has topped the list of unbanked population with 225 million adults who do not have a bank account?

- a) India
- b) England
- c) Japan
- d) China
- e) Mongolia

Q.40) Ramkumar Ramanathan is related to which of the following sports?

- a) Tennis
- b) Hockey
- c) Chess
- d) Squash
- e) Cricket

Q.41) Where is the headquarters of Softbank located?

- a) Fukuda
- b) Tokyo
- c) Beijing
- d) New York
- e) None of these

Q.42) What is the total number of APAs entered into by the CBDT till now?

- a) 219 b) 240
 c) 320 d) 91 e) 167
- Q.43) The government has developed three online portals to make it easier to Export of which of the following products?
 a) Electronic Products b) Food Items
 c) Farm Products d) Jewelry Items
 e) None of these
- Q.44) The Protection of Human Rights Act comes under which year?
 a) 1991 b) 1993
 c) 1992 d) 1997 e) 1996
- Q.45) The Mother's Absolute Affection (MAA) programme was launched in which of the following state?
 a) Uttar Pradesh b) Andhra Pradesh
 c) Nagaland
 d) Himachal Pradesh e) Odisha
- Q.46) What is the rank of India in most vulnerable country list in terms of risk of cyber threats?
 a) Three b) Two
 c) Five d) Four e) Six
- Q.47) Name the supersonic Mars landing parachute which was tested by NASA recently?
 a) JETFAST b) SUPERMOD
 c) ASPIRE d) EFFEICY
 e) INTELLIGENT
- Q.48) Who is the Prime Minister of Sri Lanka?
 a) Mahinda Rajapaksa
 b) Sarath Amunugama
 c) Ranil Wickremesinghe
 d) R. M. Ranjith Madduma Bandara
 e) Harin Fernando
- Q.49) By replacing whom Private life insurer SBI Life Insurance has appointed Sanjeev Nautiyal?
 a) Mahavir Ranjan b) Ranu Singh
 c) Arijit Basu d) Renuka Sharma
 e) None of these
- Q.50) Who has been elected as the President of Sierra Leone?
 a) Monty Jones
 b) Karamoh Kabba
 c) Ibrahim Kemoh Sesay
 d) Muctarr Conteh
 e) Julius Maada Bio
- Q.51) Himanta Biswa Sarma has been elected as the president of which organisation?
 a) Chess Association of India
 b) Table Tennis Association of India
 c) Badminton Association of India
 d) Squash Association of India
 e) Football Association of India

- Q.52) Shri Subrata Bhattacharjee has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to which of the following country?
 a) Turkey b) Mongolia
 c) Albania d) Serbia e) Algeria
- Q.53) What is the current Reverse Repo Rate (RRR)?
 a) 5.75% b) 6.25%
 c) 6.0% d) 7.4% e) 5.0%
- Q.54) Who is the Union Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs?
 a) Rajen Gohain
 b) S. S. Ahluwalia
 c) Vijay Goel
 d) Sudarshan Bhagat
 e) Sadhvi Niranjana Jyoti
- Q.55) Which country is set to host 2019 Commonwealth Games?
 a) India b) Japan
 c) Kenya d) Kazakhstan
 e) Turkmenistan
- Q.56) What is the theme of International Mine Awareness Day?
 a) Advancing Peace and Development
 b) Advancing Protection, Peace and Harmony
 c) Advancing Protection, Integrity and Development
 d) Advancing Protection, Peace and Development
 e) None of these
- Q.57) When is the National Maritime Day observed?
 a) April 5 b) April 4
 c) April 7 d) April 6 e) April 8
- Q.58) Recently, Union Minister Dharmendra Pradhan launched Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) scheme in which of the following place?
 a) Ranchi b) Lucknow
 c) New Delhi d) Chennai
 e) Pune
- Q.59) The target of Ujjwala connections has been increased from the existing target of 5 crore to 8 crore, to complete it by which of the following year?
 a) 2022 b) 2025
 c) 2019 d) 2020
 e) 2021
- Q.60) Which state government has launched bi-lingual 'Uzhavan' mobile app?
 a) Kerala b) Tamil Nadu
 c) Karnataka d) Odisha
 e) Maharashtra
- Q.61) Name the scheme name that enhances green cover in the catchment areas of the river Ganga?
 a) Pure Ganga scheme

- b) Green River scheme
 c) Green Ganga scheme
 d) Ganga Greenery scheme
 e) Greenery River scheme
- Q.62) Which is the first state in the North East to implement the state component of PMKVY through Directorate of Skill Development (DSD)?
 a) Assam b) Nagaland
 c) Tripura d) Arunachal Pradesh
 e) Mizoram
- Q.63) Recently India signed with which of the following country in traditional systems of medicine, and health and medicine sector?
 a) Russia b) Equatorial Guinea
 c) Azerbaijan d) Australia
 e) Germany
- Q.64) According to OpenSignal, which city tops in 4G connectivity among 20 of India's largest cities?
 a) Mumbai b) Patna
 c) Chennai d) Cochin
 e) Kolkata
- Q.65) "Desert Tiger 5" is joint military exercise between which of the following country?
 a) Singapore and UAE
 b) UAE and Malaysia
 c) China and India
 d) Oman and India
 e) UAE and India
- Q.66) UAE has planned to provide how much amount to Lebanese Army and security forces?
 a) \$140 million b) \$150 million
 c) \$200 million d) \$210 million
 e) \$250 million
- Q.67) Where is the headquarters of Deutsche Bank located?
 a) Spain b) Germany
 c) Britain d) France
 e) Russia
- Q.68) Punam Yadav is related to which of the following sport?
 a) Table Tennis b) Badminton
 c) Weightlifting d) Shooting
 e) None of these
- Q.69) Who won the Bahrain Grand Prix, 2018?
 a) Valtteri Bottas b) Sebastian Vettel
 c) Lewis Hamilton d) Pierre Gasly
 e) K Magnussen
- Q.70) India and which of the following country has signed two agreements in the field of Health and Medicine and Visa department?
 a) Switzerland b) Belgium

- c) Swaziland d) Botswana
e) Zambia
- Q.71) The 16th International Energy Forum Ministerial meeting will be co-hosted by which of the following countries?
a) India and Japan
b) China and India
c) China and South Korea
d) Japan and China
e) South Korea and Japan
- Q.72) When is the world homoeopathy day observed?
a) April 9 b) April 10
c) April 12 d) April 11
e) April 15
- Q.73) What is the constituency of Nirmala Sitharaman?
a) Karnataka, Rajya Sabha
b) Gujarat, Rajya Sabha
c) Uttarakhand, Rajya Sabha
d) Tamil Nadu, Rajya Sabha
e) Telangana, Rajya Sabha
- Q.74) The first meeting of newly constituted NITI Forum for North East was held in which of the following state?
a) Itanagar b) Aizawl
c) Dispur d) Agartala
e) Kohima
- Q.75) Who is the Vice-Chairman of NITI Aayog?
a) Venugopal Rao b) Raneesh Shankar
c) Rajiv Kumar d) Suresh Kannan
e) Subash Chandran
- Q.76) What is the theme of World book day 2018?
a) Core Reading
b) Read to the Most
c) Reading, it's my right
d) Thirsty Read
e) None of these
- Q.77) Pakyong Airport is situated in which of the following state?
a) Sikkim b) Maharashtra
c) Jharkhand d) Bihar
e) Haryana
- Q.78) Singapore and which country signed a deal to boost cooperation on Belt and Road Initiative?
a) Japan b) Indonesia
c) Turkmenistan d) China
e) South Korea
- Q.79) What is the theme of world homoeopathy day 2018?
a) Evolve, Progress: Exploring Science since 40 years.
b) Evolve, Progress, Innovate
c) Innovating and Exploring Science since 40 years.
d) Innovate: Evolve, Progress: Exploring Science since 40 years.
e) None of these
- Q.80) What is the currency of Swaziland?
a) Birr b) Krone
c) Kuna d) Franc
e) Rand
- Q.81) The total value of goods produced and services provided within a country's borders in a specific time period is known as?
a) GDP b) GVP
c) GAP d) GNP
e) GVA
- Q.82) Heena Sidhu won gold medal in commonwealth 2018 games under which category in shooting?
a) 25m air pistol b) 30m air pistol
c) 10m air pistol d) 50m air pistol
e) 75m air pistol
- Q.83) Who has been elected as the new chairman of the Boao Forum for Asia?
a) Klaus Schwab b) Yasuo Fukuda
c) Ban Ki-moon d) Li Yong
e) Francis Gurry
- Q.84) Ankita Raina is related to which of the following sports?
a) Badminton b) Squash
c) Tennis d) Hockey
e) Shooting
- Q.85) Where did the global logistics summit held?
a) Ministry of Civil Aviation
b) Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
c) Minister of Statistics and Programme Implementation
d) Ministry of Commerce & Industry
e) Ministry of Women & Child Development
- Q.86) Who is the president of FICCI?
a) Naveen Kumar b) Shankar Priyan
c) Raneesh Shankar d) Rashesh Shah
e) Subhash Kiran
- Q.87) SAHYOG- HYEOLYEOG 2018 is a joint anti-piracy, search and rescue exercise between which of the following two country?
a) India and Indonesia
b) India and Mongolia
c) India and Yemen
d) India and Bangladesh
e) India and Korea
- Q.88) Who is the Prime Minister of Nepal?
a) Rajendra Kishore Kshatri
b) K.P. Sharma Oli
c) Kirtiman Singh Basnyat
d) Ranajit Pande
e) Bhimsen Thapa
- Q.89) What is the rank of India in world in the production of crude steel?
a) First b) Second
c) Third d) Fourth
e) Sixth
- Q.90) Which of the following ministry has launched UTTAM App for Quality Monitoring?
a) Ministry of Consumer Affairs & Food & Public Distribution
b) Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises
c) Ministry of Women & Child Development
d) Minister of Coal
e) Minister of Drinking Water and Sanitation
- Q.91) What is the abbreviation of "A" in UTTAM?
a) Assess b) Access
c) Assessment d) Acquire
e) Adapt
- Q.92) Which country has introduced national service for women?
a) Abu Dhabi b) Yemen
c) Oman d) Qatar
e) Saudi Arabia
- Q.93) Russia, Turkey and which of the following country have vowed to secure the territorial integrity of Syria?
a) Iran b) Iraq
c) Israel d) Egypt
e) Kazakhstan
- Q.94) Who is the CEO of Doha bank?
a) Kavin Kumar b) Raman Prabha
c) Seetharaman d) Naresh Prabha
e) Ravi Shar ma
- Q.95) The Online travel portal MakeMyTrip has partnered with which of the following e-commerce giant?
a) Amazon b) Flipkart
c) Alibaba d) Myntra
e) Snapdeal
- Q.96) The Federation of Indian Export Organisations (FIEO) have tied up with which of the following digital company to promote exports, leveraging the technology platform?
a) Phonepe b) Paytm
c) Paypal d) Payspeed
e) FastCash
- Q.97) Isao Takahata who passed away recently belongs to which field?
a) Sand Artist b) Author
c) Director d) Actor
e) Singer
- Q.98) Which of the following state has inaugurated the second Mega Food Park?
a) Uttarakhand
b) Arunachal Pradesh c) Bihar
d) West Bengal e) Nagaland
- Q.99) The Government of India, Government of Maharashtra and the World

Bank has signed a climate resilient project worth of how much amount?

- a) US\$ 620 million b) US\$ 420 million
c) US\$ 520 million d) US\$ 120 million
e) US\$ 320 million

Q.100) Who is the India's Country Director of World Bank?

- a) Jim Yong Kim
b) Junaid Ahmad
c) Harry Dexter White
d) John Maynard Keynes
e) Kristalina Georgieva

Q.101) What is the abbreviation of "R" in IBRD?

- a) Receivable b) Reuse
c) Reconstruction d) Rental
e) Resource

Q.102) What is the name of the composite exercise that has been conducted by IAF along Pakistan, China borders?

- a) Gagan Shakti b) Yudh Abhyas
c) Shatrujeet d) Hind Shakti
e) Sampri I

Q.103) What is the limit for FPI investment in Central Government securities (G-secs) for 2018-2019?

- a) 5.5% b) 2%
c) 4% d) 3%
e) 2.3%

Q.104) Which Indian bank is the 1st bank to get Swift's new cross-border payment service?

- a) HDFC bank b) Axis bank
c) ICICI bank d) IndusInd bank
e) Syndicate bank

Q.105) Where is the headquarters of SWIFT located?

- a) Sweden b) Norway
c) Spain d) Belgium
e) France

Q.106) Which centre had been awarded the 2018 Presidential Award from the American Society of Naturalists (ASN)?

- a) NCZX b) NCBS
c) NMAX d) NEBZ
e) NNCW

Q.107) Who has won gold in the women's 53 kg weightlifting event in CWG 2018?

- a) Mirabai Chanu b) Deepak Lather
c) Nayutu Singh d) Sanjita Chanu
e) None of these

Q.108) Sathish Kumar Sivalingam belongs to which of the following field?

- a) Carrom b) Boxing
c) Weightlifting d) Cricket
e) Hockey

Q.109) What is the name of mega food park that has been inaugurated in Uttarakhand?

- a) New Indian Mega Food Park Private Ltd
b) Himalayan Mega Food Park Private Ltd
c) New India Mega Food Park Private Ltd
d) Indian Mega Food Park Private Ltd
e) Himalayas Mega Food Park Private Ltd

Q.110) Who became the most capped player in women's ODIs cricket?

- a) Jhulan Goswami
b) Mithali Raj
c) Harishkar Myna
d) Harmanpreet Kaur
e) Tushar Arothe

Q.111) What is the theme of World Health Day 2018?

- a) Healthy Life b) Health for All
c) Befit Be happy d) Healthy Food
e) Be Energetic

Q.112) Which of the following bank has agreed in principle to give an aid of 1,700 crore rupees to Uttarakhand?

- a) Indian Overseas Bank
b) Indian Bank
c) State bank of India
d) Reserve Bank of India
e) Asian Development Bank

Q.113) Who released three books based on Mahatma Gandhi's Champaran movement of 1917?

- a) Raman Singh
b) Nitish Kumar
c) Pema Khandu
d) Chandrababu Naidu
e) Arvind Kejriwal

Q.114) Which of the following country has pressed the BRICS nations to set up an independent rating agency of the five-member group?

- a) Austria b) Asia
c) India d) Australia
e) Europe

Q.115) Which of the following country has once again topped in the country as India's Best Gram Panchayat?

- a) Gujarat b) Telangana
c) Maharashtra d) West Bengal
e) Rajasthan

Q.116) Who has been appointed as the Cuba's First Vice President?

- a) Bornito de Sousa b) Gabriela Michetti
c) Mehriban Aliyeva d) Rodrigo Maia
e) Miguel Diaz-Canel

Q.117) Which of the following country has banned the use of bitcoin and other cryptocurrencies by its banks and financial institutions?

- a) Bolivia b) Australia
c) Iran d) Brazil
e) Botswana

Q.118) India is poised to remain the fastest growing large economy in the world, and its GDP is expected to reach _____ trillion by 2025.

- a) \$1 b) \$2
c) \$3 d) \$4 e) \$5

Q.119) Which of the following country retained the top position as recipient of remittances with its diaspora sending about USD 69 billion back home last year?

- a) Japan b) China
c) India d) USA e) UK

Q.120) Who has won the Monte Carlo Masters Title 2018?

- a) Roger Federer b) Rafael Nadal
c) Kei Nishikori d) Saina Nehwal
e) None of the above

Q.121) Name the mobile app used for allotment of Government accommodations in General Pool Residential Accommodation (GPRA) in Delhi.

- a) g-Awas b) m-Awas
c) s-Awas d) y-Awas
e) k-Awas

Q.122) Which of the following state will have a State-wide Vaccination Campaign against Measles-Rubella?

- a) Maharashtra b) Gujarat
c) Madhya Pradesh d) Punjab
e) West Bengal

Q.123) The Government of India, the Government of Madhya Pradesh and the World Bank signed a \$210 million loan agreement for the _____ Rural Connectivity Project.

- a) Maharashtra b) Gujarat
c) Madhya Pradesh d) Punjab
e) West Bengal

Q.124) Which of the following has become first Smart City to run on 100 per cent renewable energy?

- a) Lakshwadeep b) Delhi
c) Pondicherry d) Diu
e) Andaman and nicobar islands

Q.125) Who has inaugurated the 29th Road Safety Week at Vigyan Bhawan in New Delhi?

- a) Nitin Gadkari b) Smriti Irani
c) Narendra Modi d) Arun Jaitley
e) Radha Mohan Singh

Q.126) Which of the following country along with EU to co-host meeting of women foreign ministers?

- a) Pakistan b) Afghanistan
c) Iraq d) Iran
e) Canada

Q.127) Who along with Nirmala Sitharaman Attend Summit In Beijing organised by the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation?

- a) Nitin Gadkari b) Sushma Swaraj
- c) Narendra Modi d) Arun Jaitley
- e) Radha Mohan Singh

Q.128) How much amount loan agreement was signed with the World Bank by India for "Innovate in India for Inclusiveness Project"?

- a) US\$ 110 b) US\$ 115
- c) US\$ 120 d) US\$ 125
- e) US\$ 130

Q.129) When is the World Earth day has been observed?

- a) April 22 b) April 23
- c) April 25 d) April 20
- e) April 21

Q.130) Which of the following bank has entered into an agreement with National E-Governance Services (NeSL) for information utility (IU) arrangement under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC)?

- a) Andhra Bank b) Bank of India
- c) State Bank of India
- d) Bank of Baroda
- e) Dena Bank

Q.131) Paytm Payments Bank registers _____ KYC wallets.

- a) 60 million b) 70 million
- c) 80 million d) 90 million
- e) 100 million

Q.132) Who will be holding the first ecommerce think tank meeting?

- a) Suresh Prabhu b) Sushma Swaraj
- c) Narendra Modi d) Arun Jaitley
- e) Radha Mohan Singh

Q.133) Mahmoud Abu Zeid who wins UNESCO Press Freedom Prize belongs to _____ country.

- a) Pakistan b) Egypt
- c) Iraq d) Iran
- e) Canada

Q.134) Which of the following forest to obtain Ramsar site status?

- a) Periyar Forest b) Gir Forest
- c) Sunderban Forest d) Gormura Forest
- e) Buxa Forest

Q.135) Who claimed India's first medal at the ongoing World Cup organised by the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) at Changwon, South Korea?

- a) Artem Chernousov b) Shahzar Rizvi
- c) Samuil Donkov d) Jitu Rai
- e) None of the above

Q.136) Which of the following country have clinched the title of team champion in the

8th series of South Asian Judo Championship?

- a) Pakistan b) Egypt
- c) India d) Iran
- e) Canada

Q.137) National Panchayati Raj Day is celebrated on _____ April

- a) 21st b) 22nd
- c) 23rd d) 24th e) 25th

Q.138) Which of the following ministry has launched the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan?

- a) Ministry of Women & Child Development
- b) Ministry of Corporate Affairs
- c) Ministry of Rural Development
- d) Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
- e) Ministry of Human Resource Development

Q.139) NITI Ayog's Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) has launched which of the following scheme with grants of Rs.1 crore for the winning ideas?

- a) Atal New Challenger
- b) Atal New India Challenge
- c) New Atal India
- d) New India Challenge
- e) Atal India Challenge

Q.140) Name the Indo-Malaysian Army exercise that will be held at Malaysia from April 30, 2018?

- a) Harimau Shakthi b) Yudh Abhyas
- c) Hind Shakthi d) Hand in Hand
- e) Varuna

Q.141) Who is the mission director of Atal Innovation Mission?

- a) Raman Vijay
- b) Ramanathan Ramanan
- c) Kanishkar Raja
- d) Shreya Priyan
- e) Rama Subbu KV

Q.142) Sagar Kavach 2018, a coastal security exercise began in which of the following state?

- a) Gujarat b) Kerala
- c) Odisha d) Andhra Pradesh
- e) Maharashtra

Q.143) Adilabad Dokra, which has received Geographical Indication (GI) tag belongs to which state?

- a) Telangana b) Tamil Nadu
- c) Maharashtra d) Kerala
- e) Andhra Pradesh

Q.144) The home ministry has decided to relax the six-decade-old Protected Area Permit regime from Nagaland, Mizoram and Manipur for how many years?

- a) 4 years b) 3 years
- c) 2 years d) 5 years

e) 10 years

Q.145) The 2018 SCO Defence Ministry meeting held in which of the following country?

- a) Japan b) Russia
- c) China d) India
- e) Germany

Q.146) Who is the secretary general of SCO?

- a) Harveesh Singh b) Harshmith Singh
- c) Rashid Alimov d) Rakshan Kumar
- e) Narendra Modi

Q.147) What is the rank of India in Press Freedom Index?

- a) 131st b) 138th
- c) 133rd d) 140th
- e) 141st

Q.148) The Government has entered agreement with World Bank on biotech for how much amount?

- a) USD 240 million b) USD 250 million
- c) USD 230 million d) USD 220 million
- e) USD 210 million

Q.149) The Government of India would tie up with US and which of the following country for pollution-forecast system?

- a) Singapore b) U.S
- c) Sweden d) Finland
- e) Norway

Q.150) Who has won the 2018 Press Freedom Prize?

- a) Christiane Amanpour
- b) Diane Sawyer
- c) Mahmoud Abu Zeid
- d) Sheryn Bhan
- e) Glenn Greenwald

Q.151) The 2019 Asian weightlifting championship will be held in which of the following country?

- a) Mongolia b) South Korea
- c) Uzbekistan d) Kazakhstan
- e) India

Q.152) What is the theme of World Malaria Day?

- a) Need Protection
- b) Fight back Malaria
- c) Improved Cleanliness
- d) Ready to beat Malaria
- e) None of these

Q.153) Prime Minister Narendra Modi unveils India's first 12,000 horsepower electric locomotive from Bihar's Madhepura locomotive factory in collaboration with which of the following country?

- a) France b) Germany
- c) Spain d) Norway
- e) Sweden

Q.154) Which state government has launched water ATM policy for urban areas?
 a) Karnataka b) Assam
 c) Uttar Pradesh d) Kerala
 e) Haryana

Q.155) The eighth regional 3R forum in Asia and Pacific was held in which of the following states?

a) Gujarat b) Maharashtra
 c) Karnataka d) Madhya Pradesh
 e) Bihar

Q.156) Who has been appointed as the brand ambassador of Haryana's Measles and Rubella (MR) vaccination campaign?

a) Manu Bhaker
 b) Shreyasi Singh
 c) Om Prakash Mitharwal
 d) Gauri Sheoran
 e) Both a and d

Q.157) How many agreements were signed between India and Zambia?

a) 2 b) 3 c) 4 d) 1 e) 5

Q.158) Who is the new prime minister of Hungary?

a) Antal Rogán b) Viktor Orbán
 c) Zsolt Semjén d) Mihály Varga
 e) Miklós Seszták

Q.159) Where did the eighth edition of South Asian Judo Championship was held?

a) India b) Nepal
 c) Bangladesh d) Maldives
 e) Sri Lanka

Q.160) Which is the first Indian company to reach the \$100 billion market capitalisation (m-cap) mark?

a) Reliance Industries b) TCS
 c) Tata Steels d) Wipro
 e) None of these

Q.161) Who has been appointed as the Chairman of the National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM)?

a) Kowshik Premji b) Naren Premji
 c) Rishad Premji d) Sheena Premji
 e) None of these

Q.162) Shreyasi Singh is related to which of the following sports?

a) Boxing b) Weightlifting
 c) Wrestling d) Shooting
 e) None of these

Q.163) Arun III hydropower project is located in which of the following countries?

a) Spain b) England
 c) Norway d) Nepal
 e) Denmark

Q.164) The mantra of 3R in the eighth regional 3R forum in Asia and Pacific?

a) Reduce, Reuse and Render

b) Reduce, Redeem, Recycle
 c) Reduce, Reuse and Reaffirm
 d) Reduce, Reuse and Recycle
 e) Reduce, Reform and Recycle

Q.165) Recently, which country has established a World Trade Centre in Delhi to boost ties with India?

a) Nepal b) Germany
 c) Taiwan d) Philippines
 e) Indonesia

Q.166) What is the rank of India in the latest annual Index of Economic Freedom?

a) 125 b) 130
 c) 121 d) 145
 e) 139

Q.167) India's economic growth is expected to rebound to how much percentage this fiscal 2018-2019 by ADB?

a) 7.1 % b) 7.2 %
 c) 7.4 % d) 7.7 %
 e) 7.3 %

Q.168) Name the navigation satellite that has been launched by ISRO?

a) IRNSS-3I b) IRNSS-2I
 c) IRNSS-1II d) IRNSS-1E
 e) IRNSS-1I

Q.169) The Host country Agreement was signed between which of the following?

a) India and China b) India and USA
 c) India and ISA d) USA and ISA
 e) China and ISA

Q.170) Who is the Director of ISRO?

a) Vignesh Kanna
 b) Kailasa Vadivoo Sivan
 c) Satheesh Rajaram
 d) Mahalingam KS
 e) Mahaeshwaran

Q.171) Gujarat Chief Minister Vijay Rupani has approved setting up of world's largest solar power plant with an investment of how much amount?

a) Rs 25,000 crore b) Rs 13,000 crore
 c) Rs 15,000 crore d) Rs 20,000 crore
 e) Rs 35,000 crore

Q.172) India signed with which country to promote mineral exploration?

a) Zambia b) Swaziland
 c) Germany d) Morocco
 e) None of these

Q.173) Who is the Cabinet minister for mine?

a) Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi
 b) Suresh Prabhu
 c) Ravi Shankar Prasad
 d) Narendra Singh Tomar
 e) Piyush Goyal

Q.174) Which country approves issuance of Law on Equal Wages, Salaries for Men & Women?

a) Saudi Arabia b) Israel
 c) Singapore d) UAE
 e) Oman

Q.175) The Add on Working Capital GST scheme was launched by which bank?

a) Bank of India b) SBI
 c) J&K Bank d) Canara Bank
 e) None of these

Q.176) The SBI has announced the launch of its UK subsidiary, SBI (UK) Limited, with an initial capital commitment of how much amount?

a) 250 million pounds
 b) 225 million pounds
 c) 215 million pounds
 d) 235 million pounds
 e) 245 million pounds

Q.177) Who has been re-appointed as managing director and CEO of Bandhan Bank?

a) Vimalan Ghosh
 b) Prasanna Gosh
 c) Sarvesh Kumar Ghosh
 d) Chandra Shekhar Ghosh
 e) Rakesh Chandra Ghosh

Q.178) Who won in Men's Freestyle 57kg wrestling in commonwealth games 2018?

a) Babita Kumari Phogat
 b) Rahul Aware
 c) Sushil Kumar
 d) Sathish sivalingam
 e) None of these

Q.179) Who is the first Indian male to become world No. 1 in badminton rankings?

a) Sharath Kamal b) Kidambi Srikanth
 c) Soumyajit Ghosh d) Hassan Ali Fyzee
 e) Anthony Amalraj

Q.180) Tejaswini Sawant is related to which of the following field?

a) Wrestling b) Swimming
 c) Athletics d) Shooting
 e) Boxing

Q.181) Name the state-owned oil company of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, has signed a pact with a consortium of Indian oil companies to build a refinery in India?

a) Petro Rabigh b) Oil Petro co Ltd
 c) Saudi Aramco
 d) National Petroleum Corporation
 e) ExxonMobil

Q.182) Dr Ambedkar National Memorial was inaugurated in which of the following place by PM Modi?

a) Mumbai b) Pune
 c) Delhi d) Gandhinagar

- e) Bengaluru
 Q.183) Who heads the committee to review the enforcement of CSR provisions?
 a) N Gopalaswami b) Subhash Garg
 c) BN Srikrishna
 d) Manmohan Juneja e) Y H Malegam
 Q.184) Boeing signs deal with HAL to manufacture which of the following?
 a) Super Fast Jets
 b) Super Hornet fighter aircraft
 c) Super Powered Rockets
 d) Boeing Flights
 e) Boeing Super Military Flights
 Q.185) Who signed the agreement between India and Timor Leste in field of public health?
 a) Suresh Paul b) Paulan Prasad
 c) Krishan Pal Gurjar
 d) Nishant Prasad e) None of these
 Q.186) The companies Law comes under which year?
 a) 2013 b) 2015
 c) 2018 d) 2001
 e) 2007
 Q.187) China holds biggest ever military drill in which of the following sea?
 a) Yellow Sea b) Bohai Sea
 c) South China Sea d) Sulu Sea
 e) East China Sea
 Q.188) The Global Findex Report 2017 was released by which of the following organisation?
 a) IMF b) World Bank
 c) ADB d) AIIB
 e) UN
 Q.189) Who has been appointed as the interim chairman of Hindustan Unilever Ltd?
 a) Sanjay Mehta b) Sanjeeth Mehta
 c) Sandeep Mehta d) Sanjiv Mehta
 e) Sai Mehta
 Q.190) Bhanu Pratap Sharma, the new chairman of Banks Board Bureau (BBB) has been appointed for how many years term?
 a) One b) Two
 c) Three d) Four
 e) Five
 Q.191) Who has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the Republic of Korea?
 a) Suvitha Krishnan
 b) Sripriya Ranganathan
 c) Priya Thangarajan
 d) Ramya Subramanian
 e) None of these
 Q.192) Name the triple jumper who was sent home of breaching the event's strict no needle policy?
 a) K T Irfan b) Rakesh Babu

- c) Irfan Mohammad d) Sushil Kumar
 e) None of these
 Q.193) Anish Bhanwala clinched gold medal in which of the following category?
 a) 50m rapid fire pistol
 b) 75m rapid fire pistol
 c) 20m rapid fire pistol
 d) 10m rapid fire pistol
 e) 25m rapid fire pistol
 Q.194) Where is the headquarters of Yes bank located?
 a) Pune b) New Delhi
 c) Chennai d) Mumbai
 e) Bengaluru
 Q.195) Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting will be held in which of the following country?
 a) Denmark b) Sweden
 c) Norway d) UK
 e) Finland
 Q.196) The 2nd India Mobile congress will be held in which of the following place?
 a) New Delhi b) Jaipur
 c) Chennai d) Pune
 e) Mumbai
 Q.197) What is the theme of 2nd India Mobile congress?
 a) AUTHORISED DIGITAL HORIZONS: Connect, Create, Implement
 b) DIGITAL HORIZONS: Connect, Create, Indirect
 c) NEW DIGITAL HORIZONS: Connect, Create, Innovate
 d) TOWARDS DIGITAL HORIZONS: Connect, Create, Innovate
 e) FINAL DIGITAL HORIZONS: Connect and Innovate
 Q.198) What is the abbreviation of "A" in the Scheme FAME?
 a) Adaption b) Adoption
 c) Antivirus d) Amendment
 e) None of these
 Q.199) Which ministry has launched the web-based application 'e-FRRO'?
 a) Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
 b) Ministry of Home Affairs
 c) Ministry of Civil Aviation
 d) Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment
 e) Ministry of Defence
 Q.200) How much amount has been allocated by Maharashtra government for Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe welfare schemes in 2018-19 scheme?
 a) Rs 22, 345.29 crore
 b) Rs 23, 345.29 crore
 c) Rs 24, 345.29 crore
 d) Rs 25, 345.29 crore
 e) Rs 26, 345.29 crore

- Q.201) Who is the president of Montenegro?
 a) Rodney Williams
 b) Milo Djukanovic
 c) Abdul Hamid
 d) Juan Manuel Santos
 e) Fuad Masum
 Q.202) Who is the editor of the book Dr Babasaheb Ambedkar: Vyakti Nahin Sankalp'?
 a) Shri Kisan Makwana
 b) Shri Kaushik Makwana
 c) Shri Kishor Makwana
 d) Shri Krishna Makwana
 e) Shri Kishan Makwana
 Q.203) Who has been conferred with the Raj Kapoor Lifetime Achievement?
 a) Dharmendra b) Rajkumar Hirani
 c) Vijay Chavan d) Mrinal Kulkarni
 e) None of these
 Q.204) Which team has topped the top FIFA rankings in April (2018)?
 a) Brazil b) Germany
 c) Belgium d) Portugal
 e) Argentina
 Q.205) Who has won the Taipei Challenger 2018?
 a) Prakash Padukonae b) Kidambi Srinath
 c) Yuki Bhambri d) Prannoy Kumar
 e) None of these
 Q.206) Which state government has launched Quality Evaluation for Sustainable Transformation centre-QUEST?
 a) Tamil Nadu b) Madhya Pradesh
 c) Maharashtra d) West Bengal
 e) Karnataka
 Q.207) What is the currency of Sweden?
 a) Peso b) Euro
 c) Dollar d) Krone
 e) Krona
 Q.208) Prime Minister Narendra Modi will officially launch the 'Gram Swaraj' campaign from which of the following district?
 a) Surguja b) Kanker
 c) Bijapur d) Dhamtari
 e) Jashpur
 Q.209) When is the Ayushman Bharat Diwas observed?
 a) April 12 b) April 30
 c) April 17 d) April 16
 e) May 5
 Q.210) The government has changed its target year for completion of phase one of PMGSY from 2022 to which of the following year?
 a) 2024 b) 2023
 c) 2021 d) 2020
 e) 2019

Q.211) What is the abbreviation of "S" in PMGSY?

- a) Sahyog b) Suraksha
c) Sadak d) Service
e) Social

Q.212) The French President Emmanuel Macron will contribute how much million toward urgent humanitarian aid for Syria?

- a) 20 million euros b) 50 million euros
c) 70 million euros d) 30 million euros
e) 40 million euros

Q.213) Which country has successfully test fired enhanced version of Babur cruise missile?

- a) Pakistan b) Afghanistan
c) Israel d) France
e) U.S

Q.214) What is the strike range of Babur cruise missile?

- a) 800 kms b) 700 kms
c) 400 kms d) 900 kms
e) 750 kms

Q.215) Which of the following banks has been brought in as repository participants for pledge finance?

- a) SBI and IndusInd Bank
b) Axis Bank and HDFC Bank
c) ICICI Bank and SBI
d) HDFC Bank and Canara Bank
e) ICICI Bank and HDFC Bank

Q.216) What is the abbreviation of "R" in LR Scheme?

- a) Rashtriya b) Rural
c) Remittance d) Rajiv Gandhi
e) Ration

Q.217) Kudankulam Nuclear Power Project is located in which of the following district?

- a) Porbandar b) Lucknow
c) Mathura d) Tirunelveli
e) Cochin

Q.218) The government has raised NABARD's authorised capital to how much amount?

- a) Rs 300 Billion b) Rs 400 Billion
c) Rs 100 Billion d) Rs 500 Billion
e) Rs 200 Billion

Q.219) Who is the president of Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)?

- a) Ranish Bharti Mittal
b) Rajesh Bharti Mittal
c) Rakesh Bharti Mittal
d) Rashid Bharti Mittal
e) None of these

Q.220) Which is the country's most valuable bank with a market capitalization of Rs.5.04 trillion?

- a) SBI b) Axis Bank
c) ICICI Bank d) HDFC Bank

e) Canara Bank

Q.221) Which of the following music album has won Pulitzer prize 2018?

- a) Cost of Living b) Damn
c) Less d) High Fly
e) Happy Goal

Q.222) Who is the president of France?

- a) Mauricio Macri b) Abdul Hamid
c) Emmanuel Macron d) Rumen Radev
e) Luis Guillermo Solís

Q.223) India signs a loan agreement of how much amount for the Meghalaya Community - Led Landscapes Management Project (MCLLMP)?

- a) USD 58 million b) USD 38 million
c) USD 18 million d) USD 48 million
e) USD 68 million

Q.224) Who is the CEO of World Bank?

- a) Jin Liqun b) Mukhisa Kituyi
c) Kristalina Georgieva d) Zaheer Abbas
e) Koji Sekimizu

Q.225) Where did the India-Wiesbaden Conference 2018 held?

- a) Lucknow b) New Delhi
c) Patna d) Mumbai
e) Thiruvananthapuram

Q.226) Who launched the beta portal for comparing telecoms' tariffs?

- a) NPCI b) TRAI
c) Airtel d) BSNL
e) GOI

Q.227) 'Gagan Shakti' 2018 was held at which of the following state?

- a) Uttar Pradesh b) Uttarakhand
c) Gujarat d) Bihar
e) Jammu and Kashmir

Q.228) Which is the 62nd country to join ISA recently?

- a) Belgium b) France
c) United Kingdom d) Portugal
e) USA

Q.229) Where is the headquarters of ISA located?

- a) Chhattisgarh b) Haryana
c) West Bengal d) Rajasthan
e) Madhya Pradesh

Q.230) The first India-Nordic Summit was held in which of the following country?

- a) Iceland b) Finland
c) Sweden d) Denmark
e) Norway

Q.231) An MoU was signed on the establishment of an ICCR Chair for Hindi language by India with which of the following country?

- a) Denmark b) Sweden
c) Norway d) Finland
e) Iceland

Q.232) The Swedish government starts the innovation partnership by providing up to how much amount to India?

- a) 50 million Krona b) 40 million Krona
c) 90 million Krona d) 70 million Krona
e) 80 million Krona

Q.233) Who has been appointed as the director-general of NCC (National Cadet Corps)?

- a) PP Malhotra b) BS Sahrawat
c) KS Shanthran d) MS Karishna
e) LP Mathuna

Q.234) S Nihal Singh, who passed away recently related to which of the following field?

- a) Music b) Sports
c) Journalism d) Science
e) Politics

Q.235) When is the world hemophilia day observed?

- a) April 19 b) April 15
c) April 17 d) April 18
e) April 19

Q.236) The win-win partnership a Joint Action Plan (JAP) is between which of the following country?

- a) Norway and Sweden
b) India and Denmark
c) India and Sweden
d) Iceland and Denmark
e) India and Finland

Q.237) 'Atal Amrit Abhiyan' has been launched in which of the following state?

- a) Rajasthan b) Uttar Pradesh
c) Assam d) Karnataka
e) Gujarat

Q.238) The 'Study in India' programme has been launched with the budget of how much amount?

- a) Rs 150 crore b) Rs 160 crore
c) Rs 140 crore d) Rs 130 crore
e) Rs 120 crore

Q.239) What is the rank of India in Commonwealth Innovation Index 2018?

- a) 6 b) 8 c) 10 d) 4 e) 2

Q.240) NABARD has extended total credit support of Rs 14,690 crore for 2017-18 to which of the following state?

- a) Kerala b) Rajasthan
c) Odisha d) West Bengal
e) Bihar

Q.241) According to which of the following organisation, India is world's sixth largest economy?

- a) IMF b) Fortune
c) World Bank d) UN
e) GOI

Q.242) The National Association of Software & Services Companies (NASSCOM) and which of the following company has launched the UK-India Tech Alliance?

- a) UKTechno b) UKEnergy
c) TechUK d) EnergyTech
e) None of these

Q.243) Who has been appointed as the secretary general of Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI)?

- a) Dhilip Singh b) Baru
c) Dilip Chenoy d) Dilip Raj
e) Baru Rangan

Q.244) What is the rank of human rights lawyer Indira Jaising among Fortune magazine's 'fifty greatest leaders' of 2018?

- a) 10 b) 20 c) 15 d) 9 e) 23

Q.245) Which Indian bagged bronze medal at the Asian Arm wrestling C'ship 2018?

- a) Manu Shankar b) Shrimant Jha
c) Manoj Kumar d) Shanu Kannan
e) Chandra Raj

Q.246) Which state has bagged the Most Film Friendly Award given by the central government?

- a) Chhattisgarh b) Maharashtra
c) Madhya Pradesh d) Haryana
e) Telangana

Q.247) The Asian Arm wrestling Championship is being held at which of the following country?

- a) Turkmenistan b) Kazakhstan
c) India d) Mongolia
e) Australia

Q.248) Who is the president of NASSCOM?

- a) Keshav Murugesh b) Rishad Premji
c) Debjani Ghosh d) Rashid Ponnann
e) None of these

Q.249) Which of the following state has launched the Pocket Cop project?

- a) Tamil Nadu b) Karnataka
c) Andhra Pradesh d) Gujarat
e) Rajasthan

Q.250) Sanchar Kranti Yojana has been launched in which of the following state?

- a) Haryana b) Chhattisgarh
c) Rajasthan d) Bihar
e) Maharashtra

Q.251) What is the new name of the country Swaziland that was changed by the king of Swaziland?

- a) Swattini b) SwatiniE
c) eSwatini d) Swazni
e) eSwazi

Q.252) Who has been appointed as the next head of commonwealth?

- a) Narendra Modi b) Angela Merkel

- c) Prince Charles d) Sheikh Hasina
e) Malcolm Turnbull

Q.253) Which Country's government has recently failed in no-confidence vote and it has been replaced by Muhammad Kaliy Abylgaziyev as PM?

- a) Philippines b) Mongolia
c) Kyrgyzstan d) Indonesia
e) Kazakhstan

Q.254) Which bank has topped the chart of BFSI (Banking and Financial Services Institutions) super-category?

- a) Axis Bank
b) State Bank of India
c) Canara Bank
d) Bank of India
e) HDFC Bank

Q.255) Where is the headquarters of Standard Chartered Bank located?

- a) Brussels b) Paris
c) London d) Moscow
e) Singapore

Q.256) Which bank has got approval from the Reserve Bank of India to open two international representative offices in London and Singapore?

- a) RBL Bank
b) Yes Bank
c) Karnataka Bank
d) South Indian Bank
e) Bank of Baroda

Q.257) Daniel Ricciardo who won the Chinese Grand Prix 2018 plays for which of the following company?

- a) Renault b) Ferrari
c) Mercedes d) Red Bull
e) Sauber

Q.258) What is the mascot of FIBA Basketball World Cup 2019?

- a) Speed tiger b) Son of Dreams
c) Qi Qu d) Nitu Parrot
e) None of these

Q.259) Name the human rights activist and former Delhi High Court Chief Justice who passed away recently?

- a) T V R Shenoy b) Sheron Shetty
c) Harish Kannan d) Rajinder Singh Sachar
e) None of these

Q.260) Madame Tussauds wax museum is located in which of the following city?

- a) Tokyo b) London
c) New York d) Shanghai
e) Manila

Q.261) Which of the following Ministry is responsible for e-Vidhan project?

- a) Ministry of Steel
b) Minister of Drinking Water and Sanitation

- c) Ministry of Shipping
d) Ministry of Minority Affairs
e) Ministry of Parliamentary affairs

Q.262) Who has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Ministry of Power, Govt. of India for the year 2018-19?

- a) VNKS Ltd b) SJVN Ltd
c) NTCI Ltd d) BHEL
e) None of these

Q.263) Where is the Nathpa Jhakri Hydro Power Station located?

- a) Haryana b) Uttar Pradesh
c) Himachal Pradesh d) Telangana
e) Kerala

Q.264) When is the National Panchayati Raj Day observed?

- a) April 22 b) April 21
c) April 23 d) April 24
e) April 25

Q.265) Who heads the committee, which aims to restructure the existing scheme of this Ministry as Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan?

- a) Rajesh Kumar b) Rajiv Kumar
c) Ranjit Kumar d) Abdul NS
e) Prabhu Mehta

VOCABULARY BUILDER

1) **In-principle**

Meaning: As a general idea or plan, although the details are not yet established.
Example: "the government agreed in principle to a peace plan that included a ceasefire"

Synonyms: Assumption, Rule

Antonyms: Ambiguity, End

2) **Offloading**

Meaning: Unload (a cargo) .

Example: "a delivery could be offloaded immediately on arrival"

Synonyms: Unload, Discharge

Antonyms: Emptiness

3) **Bleeding**

Meaning: Used for emphasis, or to express annoyance.

Example: "the watch was a bleeding copy"

Synonyms: Drain

Antonyms: Transfuse

4) **Cumulative**

Meaning: Increasing or increased in quantity, degree, or force by successive additions.

Example: "the cumulative effect of two years of drought"

Synonyms: Accumulative, Progressive

Antonyms: Subtracting

5) Whittle it down

Meaning: To gradually reduce the size of something or the number of people in a group.

Example: We had 80 applicants for the job, but we've whittled them down to six.

Synonyms: Less, Smaller

Antonyms: Expand

6) Bidders

Meaning: A person or organization making a formal offer for something, especially at an auction.

Example: "she was the highest bidder for this rare portrait"

Synonyms: Opposition

Antonyms: Helper

7) Lucrative

Meaning: Producing a great deal of profit.

Example: "a lucrative career as a stand-up comedian"

Synonyms: Profitable, Gainful

Antonyms: Unprofitable

8) Bugbears

Meaning: A cause of obsessive fear, anxiety, or irritation.

Example: "the biggest villain is that adman's bugbear, saturated fat"

Synonyms: Hate, Bane

Antonyms: Bravery

9) Pinning

Meaning: Hold (someone) firmly in a specified position.

Example: "She was standing pinned against the door"

Synonyms: Restrain, Press

Antonyms: Detach

10) Infused

Meaning: To cause someone or something to take in and be filled with a quality or a condition of mind.

Example: His landscape paintings were infused with a warm, subtle light.

Synonyms: Suffuse

Antonyms: Dry

11) Recognition

Meaning: Agreement that something is true or legal.

Example: It's a new country, hoping for diplomatic recognition from the international community.

Synonyms: Acknowledgement, Acceptance

Antonyms: Denial

12) Brunt

Meaning: The worst part or chief impact of a specified action.

Example: "education will bear the brunt of the cuts"

Synonyms: Force, Impact

Antonyms: Ease

13) Bolster

Meaning: To support or improve something or make it stronger.

Example: More money is needed to bolster the industry.

Synonyms: Support, Improve

Antonyms: Undetermine

14) Reformist

Meaning: Supporting or advancing gradual reform rather than abolition or revolution.

Example: "the reformist policies of the government"

Synonyms: Broad

Antonyms: Narrow

15) Ousted

Meaning: Drive out or expel (someone) from a position or place.

Example: "the reformists were ousted from power"

Synonyms: Expel, Remove

Antonyms: Hire

16) Landslide

Meaning: An overwhelming majority of votes for one party or candidate in an election.

Example: "they won by a landslide"

Synonyms: Game, Set

Antonyms: Hung Parliament

17) Backlash

Meaning: A strong negative reaction by a large number of people, especially to a social or political development.

Example: "a public backlash against racism"

Synonyms: Comeback, Recoil

Antonyms: Cause

18) Upsurge

Meaning: An upward surge in the strength or quantity of something; an increase.

Example: "an upsurge in vandalism and violent crime"

Synonyms: Boom, Recovery

Antonyms: Downturn

19) Dictatorship

Meaning: A country governed by a dictator.

Example: "the party was seeking to establish a dictatorship"

Synonyms: Autocracy, Monocracy

Antonyms: Democracy

20) Rendered

Meaning: Provide or give (a service, help, etc.) .

Example: "money serves as a reward for services rendered"

Synonyms: Give, Provide

Antonyms: Hold

21) Entrant

Meaning: A person or group that enters or takes part in something.

Example: "the prize will be awarded to the entrant who wins the tiebreak"

Synonyms: Beginner, Fresher

Antonyms: Veteran

22) Continuance

Meaning: The state of remaining in existence or operation.

Example: "his interests encouraged him to favour the continuance of war"

Synonyms: Continuation, Protraction

Antonyms: Finish

23) Staunch

Meaning: Very loyal and committed in attitude.

Example: "a staunch supporter of the anti-nuclear lobby"

Synonyms: Loyal, Committed

Antonyms: Disloyal, Unfaithful

24) Perception

Meaning: Intuitive understanding and insight.

Example: "'He wouldn't have accepted,' said my mother with unusual perception"

Synonyms: Insight, Percipience

Antonyms: Ignore

25) Charade

Meaning: An absurd pretence intended to create a pleasant or respectable appearance.

Example: "talk of unity was nothing more than a charade"

Synonyms: Farce, Travesty

Antonyms: Honesty

26) Deemed

Meaning: Regard or consider in a specified way.

Example: "the event was deemed a great success"

Synonyms: Consider, Judge

Antonyms: Ignore

27) Tumultuous

Meaning: Excited, confused, or disorderly.

Example: "a tumultuous crowd"

Synonyms: Stormy, Turbulent

Antonyms: Peaceful, Uneventful

28) Exhortations

Meaning: An address or communication emphatically urging someone to do something.

Example: "exhortations to consumers to switch off electrical appliances"

Synonyms: Urging, Persuasion

Antonyms: Discouragement

29) Franchise

Meaning: The right to vote in an election, especially in order to elect a parliament or similar law-making organization.

Example: American women worked for decades to win the franchise.

Synonyms: Freedom

Antonyms: Responsibility

30) Cynicism

Meaning: An inclination to believe that people are motivated purely by self-interest; scepticism.

Example: "public cynicism about politics"

Synonyms: Distrust, Doubt

Antonyms: Optimism

31) Conscious

Meaning: (of an action or feeling) deliberate and intentional.

Example: "a conscious effort to walk properly"

Synonyms: Deliberate, Intentional

Antonyms: Unconscious

32) Repression

Meaning: The action of subduing someone or something by force.

Example: "students sparked off events that ended in brutal repression"

Synonyms: Suppression, Restraint

Antonyms: Freedom, Liberty

33) Roll-back

Meaning: A reduction of prices, costs, taxes, etc., especially so that they return to a previous level.

Example: Councilman Sanchez is planning to propose a rollback in the tax rate.

Synonyms: Direction

Antonyms: Addition

34) Squeeze

Meaning: A strong financial demand or pressure, typically a restriction on borrowing, spending, or investment in a financial crisis.

Example: "industry faced higher costs and a squeeze on profits"

Synonyms: Clasp, Clutch

Antonyms: Powerlessness

35) Illustrate

Meaning: Explain or make (something) clear by using examples, charts, pictures, etc.

Example: "the results are illustrated in Figure 7"

Synonyms: Explain, Clarify

Antonyms: Conceal

36) Stranglehold

Meaning: Complete or overwhelming control.

Example: "in France, supermarkets have less of a stranglehold on food supplies"

Synonyms: Grip, Monopoly

Antonyms: Impotency

37) Uprising

Meaning: An act of resistance or rebellion; a revolt.

Example: "an armed uprising"

Synonyms: Rebellion, Revolt

Antonyms: Calm

38) Ouster

Meaning: To force someone to leave a position of power, job, place, or competition.

Example: The president was ousted (from power) in a military coup in January 1987.

Synonyms: Eviction

Antonyms: Welcoming

39) Fire-fighting

Meaning: Spending time on problems that need to be dealt with quickly, instead of working in a calm, planned way.

Example: I spend all my time firefighting rather than making any progress.

Antonyms: Apathy

40) Accountability

Meaning: The fact or condition of being accountable; responsibility.

Example: "lack of accountability has corroded public respect for business and political leaders"

Synonyms: Responsibility, Liability

Antonyms: Unaccountability

41) Charm

Meaning: The power or quality of delighting, attracting, or fascinating others.

Example: "He was captivated by her youthful charm"

Synonyms: Attractiveness, Beauty

Antonyms: Unattractiveness

42) Deft

Meaning: Demonstrating skill and cleverness.

Example: "The script was both deft and literate"

Synonyms: Skilful, Adept

Antonyms: clumsy, Awkward, Inept

43) Rhetorical

Meaning: Expressed in terms intended to persuade or impress.

Example: "The rhetorical commitment of the government to give priority to primary education"

Synonyms: Extravagant, Grandiloquent

Antonyms: Concise

44) Bordering

Meaning: (of a country or area) be adjacent to (another country or area) .

Example: "regions bordering Azerbaijan"

Synonyms: Adjoin, Neighbour

Antonyms: Detached

45) Pace

Meaning: Move or develop (something) at a particular rate or speed.

Example: "The action is paced to the beat of a perky march"

Synonyms: Footstep

Antonyms: Hobble

46) Marching

Meaning: Walk in a military manner with a regular measured tread.

Example: "Thousands marched behind the coffin"

Synonyms: Stride, Walk

Antonyms: Decline

47) Mesmerised

Meaning: Capture the complete attention of (someone) ; transfix.

Example: "They were mesmerized by his story"

Synonyms: Grip

Antonyms: Bore

48) Delegation

Meaning: The action or process of delegating or being delegated.

Example: "The delegation of power to the district councils"

Synonyms: Assignment, Entrusting

Antonyms: Keeping

49) Restraint

Meaning: Deprivation or restriction of personal liberty or freedom of movement.

Example: "He remained aggressive and required physical restraint"

Synonyms: Constraint, Check

Antonyms: Incitement

50) Immunity

Meaning: Protection or exemption from something, especially an obligation or penalty.

Example: "the rebels were given immunity from prosecution"

Synonyms: Exemption, Exception

Antonyms: Responsibility

51) Regime

Meaning: A government, especially an authoritarian one.

Example: "Ideological opponents of the regime"

Synonyms: Government, Authorities

Antonyms: Disorder

52) Mooted

Meaning: Raise (a question or topic) for discussion; suggest (an idea or possibility)

Example: "The scheme was first mooted

last October"

Synonyms: Raise, Bring up

Antonyms: Certain

53) Banquet

Meaning: An elaborate meal with several courses; a feast.

Example: "A lavish five-course banquet"

Synonyms: Feast, Dinner

Antonyms: Snack

54) Purged

Meaning: Remove (a group of people considered undesirable) from an organization or place in an abrupt or violent way.

Example: "He purged all but 26 of the central committee members"

Synonyms: Remove, Get rid of

Antonyms: Holding

55) Embarrassments

Meaning: A feeling of self-consciousness, shame, or awkwardness.

Example: "I turned red with embarrassment"

Synonyms: Awkwardness, Self-consciousness

Antonyms: Confidence

56) Pivotal

Meaning: Of crucial importance in relation to the development or success of something else.

Example: "Japan's pivotal role in the world economy"

Synonyms: Central, Crucial

Antonyms: Inessential

57) Despatched

Meaning: Deal with (a task or opponent) quickly and efficiently.

Example: "The Welsh team were despatched comfortably by the opposition"

Synonyms: Deal with, Finish

Antonyms: Delay

58) Threshold

Meaning: A point of entry or beginning.

Example: "She was on the threshold of a dazzling career"

Synonyms: Start, Starting point, Beginning

Antonyms: End

59) Armistice

Meaning: An agreement made by opposing sides in a war to stop fighting for a certain time; a truce.

Example: "The Italian government signed an armistice with the Allies"

Synonyms: Truce, Ceasefire

Antonyms: Declaration of war, Hostilities

60) Veto

Meaning: Exercise a veto against (a

decision or proposal) .

Example: "The president vetoed the bill"

Synonyms: Reject, Turn down

Antonyms: Approve, Authorize

61) Protracted

Meaning: Lasting for a long time or longer than expected or usual.

Example: "A protracted and bitter dispute"

Synonyms: Prolong

Antonyms: Advance

62) Deployment

Meaning: The action of bringing resources into effective action.

Example: "The rapid deployment of high-speed cable Internet services to consumers"

Synonyms: Expand

Antonyms: Conclude

63) Aggravating

Meaning: Make (a problem, injury, or offence) worse or more serious.

Example: "Military action would only aggravate the situation"

Synonyms: Gall

Antonyms: Aid

64) Concerns

Meaning: A cause of anxiety or worry.

Example: "Public awareness of Aboriginal concerns"

Synonyms: Affairs, Issue

Antonyms: Serenity

65) Tempt

Meaning: Entice or try to entice (someone) to do something that they find attractive but know to be wrong or unwise.

Example: "There'll always be someone tempted by the rich pickings of poaching"

Synonyms: Entice, Persuade

Antonyms: Discourage, Deter

66) Revert

Meaning: Return to (a previous state, practice, topic, etc.) .

Example: "He reverted to his native language"

Synonyms: Return, Go back

Antonyms: Develop

67) Inclined

Meaning: Be favourably disposed towards or willing to do something.

Example: "He was inclined to accept the offer"

Synonyms: Disposed, Minded

Antonyms: Disinclined

68) Reconciling

Meaning: Make or show to be compatible.

Example: "The agreement had to be reconciled with the city's new international

relations policy"

Synonyms: Make compatible, Harmonize

Antonyms: Estrange

69) Dispute

Meaning: A disagreement or argument.

Example: "A territorial dispute between the two countries"

Synonyms: Debate, Discussion

Antonyms: Agreement

70) Verdict

Meaning: A decision on an issue of fact in a civil or criminal case or an inquest.

Example: "The jury returned a verdict of not guilty"

Synonyms: Judgement, Adjudication

Antonyms: Accusation

71) Litigation

Meaning: The process of taking legal action.

Example: "The company wishes to avoid litigation"

Synonyms: Legal proceeding(s) , Legal action

Antonyms: Agree

72) Complying

Meaning: Act in accordance with a wish or command.

Example: "We are unable to comply with your request"

Synonyms: Observe, Obey

Antonyms: Ignore, Disobey

73) Perplexing

Meaning: Make (someone) feel completely baffled.

Example: "She was perplexed by her husband's moodiness"

Synonyms: Puzzle, Baffle,

Antonyms: Clear, easy

74) Envisaged

Meaning: Contemplate or conceive of as a possibility or a desirable future event.

Example: "The Rome Treaty envisaged free movement across frontiers"

Synonyms: Foresee, Predict

Antonyms: Disregard

75) Apex

Meaning: The top or highest part of something, especially one forming a point.

Example: "The apex of the roof"

Antonyms: Base, Bottom

76) Deprived

Meaning: Suffering a severe and damaging lack of basic material and cultural benefits.

Example: "The charity cares for destitute and deprived children"

Synonyms: Disadvantaged,

Underprivileged

Antonyms: Fortunate, Wealthy

77) Nomenclature

Meaning: The term or terms applied to someone or something.

Example: "Customers' was preferred to the original nomenclature 'passengers'"

78) Expedient

Meaning: (Of an action) convenient and practical although possibly improper or immoral.

Example: "Either side could break the agreement if it were expedient to do so"

Synonyms: Convenient, Advantageous

Antonyms: Inexpedient, Ill-advised

79) Hostility

Meaning: Hostile behaviour; unfriendliness or opposition.

Example: "Their hostility to all outsiders"

Synonyms: Antagonism, Bitterness

Antonyms: Friendliness, Approval

80) Reclaim

Meaning: Retrieve or recover (something previously lost, given, or paid) ; obtain the return of.

Example: "You can reclaim £25 of the £435 deducted"

Synonyms: Regain, Retrieve

Antonyms: Forfeit

81) Charm

Meaning: The power or quality of delighting, attracting, or fascinating others.

Example: "He was captivated by her youthful charm"

Synonyms: Attractiveness, Beauty

Antonyms: Unattractiveness

82) Deft

Meaning: Demonstrating skill and cleverness.

Example: "The script was both deft and literate"

Synonyms: Skilful, Adept

Antonyms: clumsy, Awkward, Inept

83) Turbulence

Meaning: A state of conflict or confusion.

Example: "Political turbulence"

Synonyms: Turmoil, Conflict

Antonyms: Peace, Calmness

84) Endorsed

Meaning: Recommend (a product) in an advertisement.

Example: "He earns more money endorsing sports clothes than playing football"

Synonyms: Support, Back

Antonyms: Oppose

85) Inclination

Meaning: An interest in or liking for (something) .

Example: "My inborn inclination for things with moving parts"

Synonyms: Liking, Penchant

Antonyms: Dislike

86) Appeasement

Meaning: The action or process of appeasing.

Example: "A policy of appeasement"

Synonyms: Conciliation, Propitiation

Antonyms: Provocation, Aggression

87) Scepticism

Meaning: A sceptical attitude; doubt as to the truth of something.

Example: "These claims were treated with scepticism"

Synonyms: Doubt, Mistrust

Antonyms: Conviction, Belief

88) Aroused

Meaning: Evoke or awaken (a feeling, emotion, or response) .

Example: "Something about the man aroused the guard's suspicions"

Synonyms: Cause, Induce

Antonyms: Allay

89) Restraint

Meaning: Deprivation or restriction of personal liberty or freedom of movement.

Example: "He remained aggressive and required physical restraint"

Synonyms: Constraint, Check

Antonyms: Incitement

90) Unbridled

Meaning: Uncontrolled; unconstrained.

Example: "A moment of unbridled ambition"

Synonyms: Unrestrained, Uncontrolled

Antonyms: Restrain

91) Suspicious

Meaning: Having or showing a cautious distrust of someone or something.

Example: "He was suspicious of her motives"

Synonyms: Doubtful, Unsure

Antonyms: Trustful, Trusting

92) Confronting

Meaning: Face up to and deal with (a problem or difficulty) .

Example: "We knew we couldn't ignore the race issue and decided we'd confront it head on"

Synonyms: Tackle, Address

Antonyms: Avoid

93) Banquet

Meaning: An elaborate meal with several courses; a feast.

Example: "A lavish five-course banquet"

Synonyms: Feast, Dinner

Antonyms: Snack

94) Boycott

Meaning: A punitive ban on relations with other bodies, cooperation with a policy, or the handling of goods.

Example: "A boycott of the negotiations"

Synonyms: Ban, Veto

Antonyms: Approval

95) Embarrassments

Meaning: A feeling of self-consciousness, shame, or awkwardness.

Example: "I turned red with embarrassment"

Synonyms: Awkwardness, Self-consciousness

Antonyms: Confidence

96) Prominent

Meaning: Important; famous.

Example: "She was a prominent member of the city council"

Synonyms: Important, Leading

Antonyms: Unimportant, Obscure

97) Assertive

Meaning: Having or showing a confident and forceful personality.

Example: "The job may call for assertive behaviour"

Synonyms: Confident, Forceful

Antonyms: Retiring

98) Threshold

Meaning: A point of entry or beginning.

Example: "She was on the threshold of a dazzling career"

Synonyms: Start, Starting point, Beginning

Antonyms: End

99) Armistice

Meaning: An agreement made by opposing sides in a war to stop fighting for a certain time; a truce.

Example: "The Italian government signed an armistice with the Allies"

Synonyms: Truce, Ceasefire

Antonyms: Declaration of war, Hostilities

100) Veto

Meaning: Exercise a veto against (a decision or proposal) .

Example: "The president vetoed the bill"

Synonyms: Reject, Turn down

Antonyms: Approve, Authorize

101) Affront

Meaning: An action or remark that causes outrage or offence.

Example: "He took his son's desertion as a personal affront"

Synonyms: Insult, Offence

Antonyms: Compliment

102) Trenchant

Meaning: Vigorous or incisive in expression or style.

Example: "The White Paper makes trenchant criticisms of health authorities"

Synonyms: Incisive, Cutting

Antonyms: Woolly, Vague

103) Cynical

Meaning: Doubtful as to whether something will happen or whether it is worthwhile.

Example: "most residents are cynical about efforts to clean mobsters out of their city"

Synonyms: Doubtful, Suspicious

Antonyms: Optimistic, Credulous

104) Limbo

Meaning: An uncertain period of awaiting a decision or resolution; an intermediate state or condition.

Example: "the legal battle could leave the club in limbo until next year"

Synonyms: Unfinished, Incomplete

Antonyms: Underway

105) Tempt

Meaning: Entice or try to entice (someone) to do something that they find attractive but know to be wrong or unwise.

Example: "There'll always be someone tempted by the rich pickings of poaching"

Synonyms: Entice, Persuade

Antonyms: Discourage, Deter

106) Formidable

Meaning: Inspiring fear or respect through being impressively large, powerful, intense, or capable.

Example: "a formidable opponent"

Synonyms: Daunting, Alarming

Antonyms: Easy, Weak

107) Inclined

Meaning: Be favourably disposed towards or willing to do something.

Example: "He was inclined to accept the offer"

Synonyms: Disposed, Minded

Antonyms: Disinclined

108) Handpicked

Meaning: Select carefully with a particular purpose in mind.

Example: "a small hand-picked group of MPs"

Synonyms: Choice, Elite

Antonyms: Random

109) Dispute

Meaning: A disagreement or argument.

Example: "A territorial dispute between the two countries"

Synonyms: Debate, Discussion

Antonyms: Agreement

110) Robust

Meaning: Strong and healthy; vigorous.

Example: "the Caplan family are a robust lot"

Synonyms: Strong, Powerful

Antonyms: Weak, Frail

111) Abrogating

Meaning: Repeal or do away with (a law, right, or formal agreement) .

Example: "a proposal to abrogate temporarily the right to strike"

Synonyms: Revoke, Repudiate

Antonyms: Introduce, Institute

112) Complying

Meaning: Act in accordance with a wish or command.

Example: "We are unable to comply with your request"

Synonyms: Observe, Obey

Antonyms: Ignore, Disobey

113) Invoked

Meaning: Cite or appeal to (someone or something) as an authority for an action or in support of an argument.

Example: "the antiquated defence of insanity is rarely invoked in England"

Synonyms: Cite, Adduce

Antonyms: Waive

114) Impunity

Meaning: Exemption from punishment or freedom from the injurious consequences of an action.

Example: "the impunity enjoyed by military officers implicated in civilian killings"

Synonyms: Immunity, Exemption

Antonyms: Liability, Responsibility

115) Ample

Meaning: Enough or more than enough; plentiful.

Example: "there is ample time for discussion"

Synonyms: Enough, Sufficient

Antonyms: Meagre, Insufficient

116) Deprived

Meaning: Suffering a severe and damaging lack of basic material and cultural benefits.

Example: "The charity cares for destitute and deprived children"

Synonyms: Disadvantaged, Underprivileged

Antonyms: Fortunate, Wealthy

117) Curtailed

Meaning: Reduce in extent or quantity; impose a restriction on.

Example: "civil liberties were further curtailed"

Synonyms: Reduce, Cut

Antonyms: Increase, Lengthen

118) Expedient

Meaning: (Of an action) convenient and

practical although possibly improper or immoral.

Example: "Either side could break the agreement if it were expedient to do so"

Synonyms: Convenient, Advantageous

Antonyms: Inexpedient, Ill-advised

119) Diluted

Meaning: Make (something) weaker in force, content, or value by modification or the addition of other elements.

Example: "the reforms have been diluted"

Synonyms: Diminish, Reduce

Antonyms: Intensify

120) Revoke

Meaning: Officially cancel (a decree, decision, or promise) .

Example: "the men appealed and the sentence was revoked"

Synonyms: Cancel, Repeal

Antonyms: Introduce, Enact

121) Secular

Meaning: Not connected with religious or spiritual matters.

Example: "Secular buildings"

Synonyms: Lay, Profane

Antonyms: Holy, Sacred

122) Viable

Meaning: Capable of working successfully; feasible.

Example: "The proposed investment was economically viable"

Synonyms: Workable, Feasible

Antonyms: Impracticable

123) Allying

Meaning: Combine or unite a resource or commodity with (another) for mutual benefit.

Example: "He allied his racing experience with his father's business acumen"

Synonyms: Combine, Marry

Antonyms: Split

124) Divisive

Meaning: Tending to cause disagreement or hostility between people.

Example: "The highly divisive issue of abortion"

Synonyms: Isolating, Schismatic

Antonyms: Unifying

125) Salvage

Meaning: Retrieve or preserve (something) from potential loss or adverse circumstances.

Example: "It was the only crumb of comfort he could salvage from the ordeal"

Synonyms: Rescue, Save

Antonyms: Retain, Conserve

126) Dissent

Meaning: The holding or expression of opinions at variance with those commonly or officially held.

Example: "There was no dissent from this view"

Synonyms: Disagreement, Argument

Antonyms: Agreement, Acceptance

127) **Coup**

Meaning: A sudden, violent, and illegal seizure of power from a government.

Example: "He was overthrown in an army coup"

Synonyms: Overthrow, Takeover

Antonyms: Election

128) **Dipped**

Meaning: Lower or move (something) downwards.

Example: "The plane dipped its wings"

Synonyms: Lower.

Antonyms: Raise.

129) **Hostility**

Meaning: Hostile behaviour; unfriendliness or opposition.

Example: "Their hostility to all outsiders"

Synonyms: Antagonism, Bitterness

Antonyms: Friendliness, Approval

130) **Emblematic**

Meaning: Serving as a symbol of a particular quality or concept; symbolic.

Example: "This case is emblematic of a larger problem"

Synonyms: Symbolic, Representative

Antonyms: Representational, Realistic

131) **Rival**

Meaning: A person or thing competing with another for the same objective or for superiority in the same field of activity.

Example: "He has no serious rival for the job"

Synonyms: Competitor, Opponent

Antonyms: Partner, Ally

132) **Slender**

Meaning: (Of something abstract) barely sufficient in amount or basis.

Example: "People of slender means"

Synonyms: Meagre, Limited

Antonyms: Considerable, Abundant

133) **Lurch**

Meaning: Leave an associate or friend abruptly and without assistance or support when they are in a difficult situation.

Example: "He left you in the lurch when you needed him most"

Synonyms: Abandon, Desert

Antonyms: Help, Support

134) **Forefathers**

Meaning: A member of the past generations of one's family or people; an ancestor.

Example: "the duchy which her forefathers had ruled since the tenth century"

Synonyms: Forebear, Ancestor

Antonyms: Descendant

135) **Prosperity**

Meaning: The state of being prosperous.

Example: "a long period of peace and prosperity"

Synonyms: Wealth, Success

Antonyms: Hardship, Failure

136) **Hard line**

Meaning: Uncompromising; strict.

Example: "a hard-line party activist"

Synonyms: Extreme, Undeviating

Antonyms: Moderate

137) **Bolstered**

Meaning: Support or strengthen.

Example: "the fall in interest rates is starting to bolster confidence"

Synonyms: Strengthen, Support

Antonyms: Undermine

138) **Rigorous**

Meaning: (of a rule, system, etc.) strictly applied or adhered to.

Example: "rigorous controls on mergers"

Synonyms: Strict, Severe

Antonyms: Lax

139) **Unprecedented**

Meaning: Never done or known before.

Example: "the government took the unprecedented step of releasing confidential correspondence"

Synonyms: Unequaled, Unmatched

Antonyms: Normal, Common

140) **Impeach**

Meaning: Charge (the holder of a public office) with misconduct.

Example: "congressional moves to impeach the president"

Synonyms: Indict, Charge

Antonyms: Acquit

141) **Turmoil**

Meaning: A state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty.

Example: "the country was in turmoil"

Synonyms: Confusion, Tumult

Antonyms: Calm, Peace

142) **Prompted**

Meaning: (of an event or fact) cause or bring about (an action or feeling) .

Example: "the violence prompted a wave of refugees to flee the country"

Synonyms: Cause, Induce

Antonyms: Deter, Restrain

143) **Abound**

Meaning: Exist in large numbers or amounts.

Example: "rumours of a further scandal abound"

Synonyms: Proliferate, Thrive

Antonyms: Meagre, Scanty

144) **Replenishing**

Meaning: Restore (a stock or supply) to a former level or condition.

Example: "all creatures need sleep to replenish their energies"

Synonyms: Restock, Restore

Antonyms: Exhaust

145) **Reluctant**

Meaning: Unwilling and hesitant; disinclined.

Example: "today, many ordinary people are still reluctant to talk about politics"

Synonyms: Unwilling, Resistant

Antonyms: Willing, Eager

146) **Dispensing**

Meaning: Distribute or provide (a service or information) to a number of people.

Example: "orderlies went round dispensing drinks"

Synonyms: Distribute, Apportion

Antonyms: Collect

147) **Scrap**

Meaning: Abolish or cancel (a plan, policy, or law) .

Example: "he supports the idea that road tax should be scrapped"

Synonyms: Abandon, Abolish

Antonyms: Keep, Restore

148) **Hostile**

Meaning: Showing or feeling opposition or dislike; unfriendly.

Example: "a hostile audience"

Synonyms: Aggressive, Combative

Antonyms: Friendly, Mild

149) **Irresolute**

Meaning: Showing or feeling hesitancy; uncertain.

Example: "she stood irresolute outside his door"

Synonyms: Indecisive, Tentative

Antonyms: Decisive

150) **Shoddy**

Meaning: Badly made or done.

Example: "we're not paying good money for shoddy goods"

Synonyms: Inferior, Cheap

Antonyms: Well made, Careful

151) **Tainted**

Meaning: Affect with a bad or undesirable quality.

Example: "his administration was tainted by scandal"

Synonyms: Tarnish, Stain

Antonyms: Improve

152) **Inevitable**

Meaning: Certain to happen; unavoidable.

Example: "war was inevitable"

Synonyms: Unavoidable, Certain

Antonyms: Avoidable, Uncertain

153) **Confession**

Meaning: A formal statement admitting that one is guilty of a crime.

Example: "he signed a confession to both the murders"

Synonyms: Admission, Profession

Antonyms: Concealment, Denial

154) **Bolstered**

Meaning: Support or strengthen.

Example: "the fall in interest rates is starting to bolster confidence"

Synonyms: Strengthen, Support

Antonyms: Undermine

155) **Incarceration**

Meaning: The state of being confined in prison; imprisonment.

Example: "the public would not be served by her incarceration"

Synonyms: Imprisonment, Confinement

Antonyms: Freedom

156) **Conviction**

Meaning: A formal declaration by the verdict of a jury or the decision of a judge in a court of law that someone is guilty of a criminal offence.

Example: "she had a previous conviction for a similar offence"

Synonyms: Sentence, Judgement

Antonyms: Acquittal

157) **Cynicism**

Meaning: An inclination to believe that people are motivated purely by self-interest; scepticism.

Example: "public cynicism about politics"

Synonyms: Doubt, Mistrust

Antonyms: Optimism

158) **Acquittal**

Meaning: A judgement or verdict that a person is not guilty of the crime with which they have been charged.

Example: "the trial resulted in an acquittal"

Synonyms: Absolution, Clearing

Antonyms: Conviction

159) **Hinterland**

Meaning: The remote areas of a country away from the coast or the banks of major rivers.

Example: "The hinterland of southern Italy"

Synonyms: The back of beyond, The middle of nowhere

Antonyms: Civilization

160) **Reported**

Meaning: Present oneself formally as having arrived at a particular place or as ready to do something.

Example: "He had to report to the headmaster at 4 pm"

Synonyms: Arrive, Appear.

161) **Vicious**

Meaning: Deliberately cruel or violent.

Example: "A vicious assault"

Synonyms: Brutal, Savage

Antonyms: Gentle, Kindly

162) **Resentment**

Meaning: Bitter indignation at having been treated unfairly.

Example: "his resentment at being demoted"

Synonyms: Bitterness, Pique

Antonyms: Contentment, Happiness

163) **Deprivation**

Meaning: The damaging lack of material benefits considered to be basic necessities in a society.

Example: "Low wages mean that 3.75 million people suffer serious deprivation"

Synonyms: Poverty, Penury

Antonyms: Wealth

164) **Descendants**

Meaning: A person, plant, or animal that is descended from a particular ancestor.

Example: "she's a descendant of Charles Darwin"

Synonyms: Successor, Scion

Antonyms: Ancestor

165) **Stark**

Meaning: Unpleasantly or sharply clear.

Example: "His position is in stark contrast to that of Curran"

Synonyms: Blunt, Bald

Antonyms: Disguised

166) **Promising**

Meaning: Showing signs of future success.

Example: "A promising film actor"

Synonyms: Good, Hopeful

Antonyms: Unfavourable, Ominous

167) **Divisive**

Meaning: Tending to cause disagreement or hostility between people.

Example: "The highly divisive issue of abortion"

Synonyms: Isolating, Schismatic

Antonyms: Unifying

168) **Mediocrity**

Meaning: The quality or state of being mediocre.

Example: "the team suddenly came good after years of mediocrity"

Synonyms: Indifference, Inferiority

Antonyms: Excellence

169) **Hoarse**

Meaning: (Of a person's voice) sounding rough and harsh, typically as the result of a sore throat or of shouting.

Example: "A hoarse whisper"

Synonyms: Rough, Harsh

Antonyms: Mellow, Soft

170) **Astute**

Meaning: Having or showing an ability to accurately assess situations or people and turn this to one's advantage.

Example: "An astute businessman"

Synonyms: Shrewd, Sharp

Antonyms: Stupid

171) **Mammoth**

Meaning: Huge.

Example: "A mammoth corporation"

Synonyms: Huge, Enormous

Antonyms: Tiny

172) **Endorsement**

Meaning: The action of endorsing someone or something.

Example: "The issue of full independence received overwhelming endorsement"

Synonyms: Support, Backing

Antonyms: Opposition

173) **Sheen**

Meaning: A soft lustre on a surface; a smooth shine or brightness.

Example: "black crushed velvet with a slight sheen"

Synonyms: Shine, Gleam

Antonyms: Dullness

174) **Ostensibly**

Meaning: As appears or is stated to be true, though not necessarily so; apparently.

Example: "The party secretary resigned, ostensibly from ill health"

Synonyms: Apparently, Seemingly

Antonyms: Genuinely, Really

175) **Reluctant**

Meaning: Unwilling and hesitant; disinclined.

Example: "Today, many ordinary people are still reluctant to talk about politics"

Synonyms: Unwilling, Disinclined

Antonyms: Willing, Eager

176) **Allying**

Meaning: Side with or support.

Example: "He allied himself with the forces of change"

Synonyms: Unite, Join

Antonyms: Split

177) **Bemoaning**

Meaning: Express discontent or sorrow over (something) .

Example: "it was no use bemoaning her lot"

Synonyms: Lament, Bewail

Antonyms: Applaud

178) **Envy**

Meaning: A feeling of discontented or resentful longing aroused by someone else's possessions, qualities, or luck.

Example: "she felt a twinge of envy for the people on board"

Synonyms: Jealously, Desire

Antonyms: Generosity

179) **Glut**

Meaning: An excessively abundant supply of something.

Example: "There is a **glut of** cars on the market"

Synonyms: Surplus, Excess

Antonyms: Dearth, Scarcity

180) **Derided**

Meaning: Express contempt for; ridicule.

Example: "The decision was derided by environmentalists"

Synonyms: Ridicule, Mock

Antonyms: Respect, Praise

181) **Rigid**

Meaning: Not able to be changed or adapted.

Example: "Rigid bureaucratic controls"

Synonyms: Fixed, Set

Antonyms: Flexible

182) **Alienated**

Meaning: Make (someone) feel isolated or estranged.

Example: "An urban environment which would alienate its inhabitants"

Synonyms: Estrange, Isolate

Antonyms: Unite

183) **Startling**

Meaning: Very surprising, astonishing, or remarkable.

Example: "he bore a startling likeness to their father"

Synonyms: Surprising, Amazing

Antonyms: Predictable, Ordinary

184) **Dispensed**

Meaning: Manage without or get rid of.

Example: "Let's dispense with the formalities, shall we?"

Synonyms: Waive, Omit

Antonyms: Include, Keep

185) **Apocryphal**

Meaning: (of a story or statement) of doubtful authenticity, although widely circulated as being true.

Example: "an apocryphal story about a former president"

Synonyms: Untrue, False

Antonyms: Authentic, True

186) **Sovereignty**

Meaning: Supreme power or authority.

Example: "The sovereignty of Parliament"

Synonyms: Jurisdiction, Supremacy

Antonyms: Subservience, Subjection

187) **Wicked**

Meaning: Evil or morally wrong.

Example: "a wicked and unscrupulous politician"

Synonyms: Evil, Sinful

Antonyms: Virtuous

188) **Integrity**

Meaning: The state of being whole and undivided.

Example: "Upholding territorial integrity and national sovereignty"

Synonyms: Unity, Unification

Antonyms: Division

189) **Antagonism**

Meaning: Active hostility or opposition.

Example: "The **antagonism between** them"

Synonyms: Hostility, Friction

Antonyms: Rapport, Friendship

190) **Reluctant**

Meaning: Unwilling and hesitant; disinclined.

Example: "today, many ordinary people are still reluctant to talk about politics"

Synonyms: Unwilling, Disinclined

Antonyms: Willing, Eager

191) **Maligned**

Meaning: Speak about (someone) in a spitefully critical manner.

Example: "don't you dare malign her in my presence"

Synonyms: Defame, Libel

Antonyms: Praise

192) **Conciliatory**

Meaning: Intended or likely to placate or pacify.

Example: "A conciliatory approach"

Synonyms: Propitiatory, Placatory

Antonyms: Antagonistic

193) **Escalation**

Meaning: A rapid increase; a rise.

Example: "Cost escalations"

Synonyms: Rapid increase, Rise

Antonyms: Plunge, Relaxation

194) **Appetite**

Meaning: A strong desire or liking for something.

Example: "Her appetite for life"

Synonyms: Craving, Longing

Antonyms: Aversion

195) **Affluence**

Meaning: The state of having a great deal of money; wealth.

Example: "a sign of our growing affluence"

Synonyms: Wealth, Prosperity

Antonyms: Poverty

196) **Ersatz**

Meaning: Not real or genuine.

Example: "ersatz emotion"

Synonyms: Fake, False

Antonyms: Genuine, Real

197) **Deficit**

Meaning: The amount by which something, especially a sum of money, is too small.

Example: "An annual operating deficit"

Synonyms: Shortfall, Deficiency

Antonyms: Surplus, Profit

198) **Dissent**

Meaning: The holding or expression of opinions at variance with those commonly or officially held.

Example: "there was no dissent from this view"

Synonyms: Disagreement, Argument

Antonyms: Agreement, Acceptance

199) **Intent**

Meaning: Determined to do (something) .

Example: "The government was intent on achieving greater efficiency"

Synonyms: Bent, Set

Antonyms: Half-hearted, Reluctant

200) **Doomed**

Meaning: Cause to have an unfortunate and inescapable outcome.

Example: "her plan was doomed to failure"

Synonyms: Destine, Fate

Antonyms: Happy, Lucky

201) **Flurry**

Meaning: A number of things arriving or happening suddenly and during the same period.

Example: "A flurry of editorials hostile to the government"

Synonyms: Spate, Wave

Antonyms: Dearth, Trickle

202) **Prudent**

Meaning: Acting with or showing care and thought for the future.

Example: "No prudent money manager would authorize a loan without first knowing its purpose"

Synonyms: Wise, Well judged

Antonyms: Unwise, Imprudent

203) **Stopgap**

Meaning: A temporary way of dealing with a problem or satisfying a need.

Example: "Transplants are only a stopgap until more sophisticated alternatives can work"

Synonyms: Improvisation, Expedient

Antonyms: Permanent

204) **Stemmed**

Meaning: Originate in or be caused by.

Example: "Many of the universities' problems stem from rapid expansion"

Synonyms: Have its origins in

Antonyms: Cause, Give rise to

205) **Mushroomed**

Meaning: Increase, spread, or develop rapidly.

Example: "Environmental concern mushroomed in the 1960s"

Synonyms: Proliferate, Grow/develop rapidly,

Antonyms: Contract, Fail

206) **Erstwhile**

Meaning: Former.

Example: "The erstwhile president of the company"

Synonyms: Former, Old, Past

Antonyms: Present, Future

207) **Unprecedented**

Meaning: Never done or known before.

Example: "the government took the unprecedented step of releasing confidential correspondence"

Synonyms: Unequalled, Unmatched

Antonyms: Normal, Common

208) **Clinch**

Meaning: Confirm the winning or achievement of (a match, competition, or victory) .

Example: "Johnson scored the goals which clinched victory"

Synonyms: Win, Victory

Antonyms: Lose

209) **Splendid**

Meaning: Magnificent; very impressive.

Example: "a splendid view of Windsor Castle"

Synonyms: Grand, Impressive

Antonyms: Modest, Ordinary

210) **Colossal**

Meaning: Extremely large or great.

Example: "A colossal amount of mail"

Synonyms: Huge, Massive

Antonyms: Tiny

211) **Glory**

Meaning: High renown or honour won by notable achievements.

Example: "to fight and die for the glory of one's nation"

Synonyms: Renown, Fame

Antonyms: Shame, Obscurity

212) **Scrutiny**

Meaning: Critical observation or examination.

Example: "Every aspect of local government was placed under scrutiny"

Synonyms: Careful examination, inspection, survey, scan, study, perusal; More

Antonyms: Glance, cursory look

213) **Unflattering**

Meaning: Not flattering.

Example: "the reviews of the book were very unflattering"

Synonyms: Unfavourable, Scathing

Antonyms: Flattering, Complimentary

214) **Allure**

Meaning: The quality of being powerfully and mysteriously attractive or fascinating.

Example: "people for whom gold holds no allure"

Synonyms: Attraction, Appeal

Antonyms: Repulsion

215) **Long-lasting**

Meaning: Enduring or having endured for a long period of time.

Example: "long-lasting effects"

Synonyms: Enduring, Lasting

Antonyms: Short-lived, Ephemeral

216) **Dispute**

Meaning: A disagreement or argument.

Example: "a territorial dispute between the two countries"

Synonyms: Debate, Discourse

Antonyms: Agreement

217) **Heightens**

Meaning: Make or become more intense.

Example: "the pleasure was heightened by the sense of guilt that accompanied it"

Synonyms: Intensify, Increase

Antonyms: Reduce

218) **Confine**

Meaning: Keep or restrict someone or something within certain limits of (space, scope, or time) .

Example: "He does not confine his message to high politics"

Synonyms: Enclose, Incarcerate

Antonyms: Release

219) **Deter**

Meaning: Prevent the occurrence of.

Example: "strategists think not only about how to deter war, but about how war might occur"

Synonyms: Prevent, Avert

Antonyms: Encourage

230) **Bickering**

Meaning: Argue about petty and trivial matters.

Example: "Couples who bicker over who gets what from the divorce"

Synonyms: Squabble, Argue

Antonyms: Agree

231) **Bravado**

Meaning: A bold manner or a show of boldness intended to impress or intimidate.

Example: "he possesses none of the classic wheeler-dealer's casual bravado"

Synonyms: Boldness, Bluster

Antonyms: Modesty

232) **Flouted**

Meaning: Openly disregard (a rule, law, or convention) .

Example: "the advertising code is being flouted"

Synonyms: Defy, Scorn

Antonyms: Observe

233) **Rival**

Meaning: A person or thing competing with another for the same objective or for superiority in the same field of activity.

Example: "He has no serious rival for the job"

Synonyms: Competitor, Opponent

Antonyms: partner, ally

234) **Conflict**

Meaning: A serious incompatibility between two or more opinions, principles, or interests.

Example: "there was a conflict between his business and domestic life"

Synonyms: Variance, Difference

Antonyms: Harmony

235) **Escalated**

Meaning: Make or become more intense or serious.

Example: "the disturbance escalated into a full-scale riot"

Synonyms: Grow, Develop

Antonyms: Shrink

236) **Stricken**

Meaning: Seriously affected by an undesirable condition or unpleasant feeling.

Example: "the pilot landed the stricken aircraft"

Synonyms: Troubled, Affected

Antonyms: Unaffected

237) **Legitimate**

Meaning: Conforming to the law or to rules.

Example: "His claims to legitimate authority"

Synonyms: Legal, Lawful, Licit

Antonyms: Illegal, Illegitimate

238) **Ambivalent**

Meaning: Having mixed feelings or contradictory ideas about something or someone.

Example: "Some loved her, some hated her, few were ambivalent about her"

Synonyms: Equivocal, Uncertain

Antonyms: Unequivocal, Certain

239) **Fringe**

Meaning: The outer, marginal, or extreme part of an area, group, or sphere of activity.
Example: "His uncles were on the fringes of crooked activity"

Synonyms: Unconventional, Unorthodox

Antonyms: Mainstream, Middle

240) **Undeniable**

Meaning: Unable to be denied or disputed.
Example: "It is an undeniable fact that some dogs are easier to train than others"

Synonyms: Indisputable, Indubitable

Antonyms: Debatable, Questionable

241) **Abandon**

Meaning: Complete lack of inhibition or restraint.

Example: "She sings and sways with total abandon"

Synonyms: Uninhibitedness, Recklessness

Antonyms: Self-control

242) **Wishy-washy**

Meaning: Feeble or insipid in quality or character.

Example: "Wishy-washy liberalism"

Synonyms: Feeble, Ineffectual

Antonyms: Strong, Firm, Decisive

243) **Hostility**

Meaning: Hostile behaviour; unfriendliness or opposition.

Example: "Their hostility to all outsiders"

Synonyms: Antagonism, Bitterness

Antonyms: Friendliness, Approval

244) **Espousing**

Meaning: Adopt or support (a cause, belief, or way of life) .

Example: "The left has espoused the causes of sexual and racial equality"

Synonyms: Adopt, Embrace

Antonyms: Reject, Oppose

245) **Deterred**

Meaning: Discourage (someone) from doing something by instilling doubt or fear of the consequences.

Example: "Only a health problem would deter him from seeking re-election"

Synonyms: Put off, Discourage

Antonyms: Encourage

246) **Brutality**

Meaning: Savage physical violence; great cruelty.

Example: "Brutality against civilians"

Synonyms: Savagery, Cruelty

Antonyms: Gentleness, Kindness

247) **Diminish**

Meaning: Make or become less.

Example: "The new law is expected to diminish the government's chances"

Synonyms: Decrease, Decline

Antonyms: Increase, Flare up

248) **Inclusive**

Meaning: Including all the services or items normally expected or required.

Example: "Menus stating fully inclusive prices"

Synonyms: All-in, All-inclusive

Antonyms: Exclusive

249) **Expedited**

Meaning: Make (an action or process) happen sooner or be accomplished more quickly.

Example: "He promised to expedite economic reforms"

Synonyms: Speed up, Accelerate

Antonyms: Delay, Hinder

250) **Reconciliation**

Meaning: The restoration of friendly relations.

Example: "His reconciliation with your uncle"

Synonyms: Reuniting, Reunion

Antonyms: Estrangement, Alienation

251) **Evict**

Meaning: Expel (someone) from a property, especially with the support of the law.

Example: "A single mother and her children have been evicted from their home"

Synonyms: Expel, Eject

Antonyms: Admit

252) **Rally**

Meaning: Bring together (forces) again in order to continue fighting.

Example: "The king escaped to Perth to rally his own forces"

Synonyms: Muster, Marshal

Antonyms: Demobilize, Disband

253) **Feeble**

Meaning: Failing to convince or impress.

Example: "A feeble excuse"

Synonyms: Ineffective, Ineffectual

Antonyms: Effective

254) **Victim**

Meaning: A person harmed, injured, or killed as a result of a crime, accident, or other event or action.

Example: "Victims of domestic violence"

Synonyms: Sufferer, Injured party

Antonyms: Attacker, Assailant

255) **Owes**

Meaning: Have an obligation to pay or repay (something, especially money) in return for something received.

Example: "They have denied they **owe** money **to** the company"

Synonyms: Be in debt (to) , be indebted (to)

Antonyms: Settle up

256) **Chilling**

Meaning: Horrify or frighten (someone) .

Example: "The city was chilled by the violence"

Synonyms: Scare, Frighten

Antonyms: Comfort, Reassure

257) **Congratulate**

Meaning: Praise (someone) for an achievement.

Example: "the operators are to be congratulated for the service that they provide"

Synonyms: Praise, Commend

Antonyms: Criticize

258) **Greeted**

Meaning: Give a polite word of recognition or sign of welcome when meeting (someone) .

Example: "some of the customers greeted the barman in Gaelic"

Synonyms: Address, Salute

Antonyms: Ignore

259) **Setback**

Meaning: A reversal or check in progress.

Example: "a serious setback for the peace process"

Synonyms: Problem, Difficulty

Antonyms: Breakthrough

260) **Cruelty**

Meaning: Cruel behaviour or attitudes.

Example: "he has treated her with extreme cruelty"

Synonyms: Brutality, Ferocity

Antonyms: Compassion, Mercy

261) **Cumbersome**

Meaning: Slow or complicated and therefore inefficient.

Example: "organizations with cumbersome hierarchical structures"

Synonyms: Complicated, Complex

Antonyms: Straightforward, Efficient

262) **Grave**

Meaning: Giving cause for alarm; serious.

Example: "A matter of grave concern"

Synonyms: Serious, Important.

Antonyms: Trivial.

263) **Perpetual**

Meaning: Never ending or changing.

Example: "Deep caves in perpetual darkness"

Synonyms: Everlasting, Never-ending.

Antonyms: Transitory, Temporary.

264) **Irrational**

Meaning: Not logical or reasonable.

Example: "Irrational feelings of hostility"

Synonyms: Unreasonable, Illogical.

Antonyms: Rational, Logical.

265) **Fringe**

Meaning: The outer, marginal, or extreme part of an area, group, or sphere of activity.
Example: "His uncles were on the fringes of crooked activity"

Synonyms: Unconventional.

Antonyms: Mainstream, Middle.

266) **Ambiguity**

Meaning: The quality of being open to more than one interpretation; inexactness.
Example: "We can detect no ambiguity in this section of the Act"

Synonyms: Ambivalence, Equivocation.

Antonyms: Unambiguousness, Transparency

267) **Comply**

Meaning: Act in accordance with a wish or command.
Example: "We are unable to comply with your request"

Synonyms: Observe, Obey.

Antonyms: Ignore, Disobey.

268) **Evasion**

Meaning: The action of evading something.
Example: "Their adroit evasion of almost all questions"

Synonyms: Avoidance.

Antonyms: Confrontation.

269) **Patronising**

Meaning: Treat with an apparent kindness which betrays a feeling of superiority.
Example: "'She's a good-hearted girl,' he said in a patronizing voice"

Synonyms: Put down, Humiliate

Antonyms: Friendly, Humble

270) **Overdue**

Meaning: Not having arrived, happened, or been done by the expected time.
Example: "The rent was nearly three months overdue"

Synonyms: Long-delayed, Delayed

Antonyms: Early, Punctual

Synonyms: Trap, Gin.

271) **Perceptible**

Meaning: (Especially of a slight movement or change of state) able to be seen or noticed.

Example: "A perceptible decline in public confidence"

Synonyms: Noticeable, Perceivable

Antonyms: Imperceptible,

Inconspicuous

272) **Invoked**

Meaning: Cite or appeal to (someone or something) as an authority for an action or in support of an argument.

Example: "The antiquated defence of insanity is rarely invoked in England"

Synonyms: Cite, Refer to

Antonyms: Waive

273) **Paradise**

Meaning: An ideal or idyllic place or state.
Example: "The surrounding countryside is a walker's paradise"

Synonyms: Utopia, fairyland

Antonyms: Hell

274) **Indictment**

Meaning: A formal charge or accusation of a serious crime.
Example: "An indictment for conspiracy"

Synonyms: Charge, Accusation

Antonyms: Acquittal

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276) **Emergent**

Meaning: In the process of coming into being or becoming prominent.
Example: "The emergent democracies of eastern Europe"

Synonyms: Emerging, Beginning

Antonyms: Declining, Mature

277) **Deficit**

Meaning: The amount by which something, especially a sum of money, is too small.
Example: "An annual operating deficit"

Synonyms: Shortfall, Deficiency.

Antonyms: Surplus, Profit.

278) **Cruelty**

Meaning: Cruel behaviour or attitudes.
Example: "He has treated her with extreme cruelty"

Synonyms: Brutality, Savagery

Antonyms: Compassion, Mercy

279) **Stark**

Meaning: Severe or bare in appearance or outline.
Example: "The ridge formed a stark silhouette against the sky"

Synonyms: Well focused, Crisp

Antonyms: Fuzzy, Indistinct

280) **Rely**

Meaning: Depend on with full trust or confidence.

Example: "I know I can rely on your discretion"

Synonyms: Depend, Count

Antonyms: Distrust

281) **Exempt**

Meaning: Free (a person or organization) from an obligation or liability imposed on others.

Example: "They were exempted from paying the tax"

Synonyms: Free from, Not liable to.

Antonyms: Hindered, Answerable

282) **Stark**

Meaning: Severe or bare in appearance or outline.

Example: "The ridge formed a stark silhouette against the sky"

Synonyms: Well focused, Crisp

Antonyms: Fuzzy, Indistinct

283) **Humiliated**

Meaning: Make (someone) feel ashamed and foolish by injuring their dignity and pride.

Example: "you'll humiliate me in front of the whole school!"

Synonyms: Embarrass, Humble

Antonyms: Aggrandize, Glorious

284) **Dissolve**

Meaning: Close down or dismiss (an assembly or official body) .

Example: "the National Assembly was dissolved after a coup"

Synonyms: Disband, Dismiss

Antonyms: Establish

285) **Consensus**

Meaning: A general agreement.

Example: "there is a growing consensus that the current regime has failed"

Synonyms: Agreement, Concord

Antonyms: Disagreement

286) **Kick off**

Meaning: Become very angry; suddenly start an argument or fight.

Example: "I don't want her kicking off at me again"

287) **Diminishes**

Meaning: Make or become less.

Example: "the new law is expected to diminish the government's chances"

Synonyms: Decrease, Decline

Antonyms: Increase

288) **Underestimated**

Meaning: Estimate (something) to be smaller or less important than it really is.

Example: "the government has grossly underestimated the extent of the problem"

Synonyms: Underrate, Miscalculate

Antonyms: Overestimate, Exaggerate

289) **Ostracism**

Meaning: Exclusion from a society or group.

Example: "the family suffered social ostracism"

Synonyms: Exclusion, Rejection

Antonyms: Acceptance, Welcome

290) **Vibrant**

Meaning: Strong or resonating.

Example: "his vibrant voice"

Synonyms: Resonant, Booming

Antonyms: Soft, Mellow

291) **Conviction**

Meaning: A formal declaration by the verdict of a jury or the decision of a judge in a court of law that someone is guilty of a criminal offence.

Example: "she had a previous conviction for a similar offence"

Synonyms: Sentence, Judgment

Antonyms: Acquittal

292) **Betrayed**

Meaning: Treacherously reveal (information) .

Example: "many of those employed by diplomats betrayed secrets"

Synonyms: Reveal, Disclose

Antonyms: Conceal, Hide

293) **Dictatorship**

Meaning: A country governed by a dictator.

Example: "the party was seeking to establish a dictatorship"

Synonyms: Autocracy, Monocracy

Antonyms: Democracy

294) **Impeached**

Meaning: Charge (the holder of a public office) with misconduct.

Example: "congressional moves to impeach the president"

Synonyms: Indict, Charge

Antonyms: Acquit

295) **Privileged**

Meaning: Having special rights, advantages, or immunities.

Example: "in the nineteenth century only a privileged few had the vote"

Synonyms: Wealthy, Affluent

Antonyms: Underprivileged, Disadvantaged

296) **Soulless**

Meaning: (of an activity) tedious and uninspiring.

Example: "soulless, non-productive work"

Synonyms: Boring, Tedious

Antonyms: Exciting

297) **Testimony**

Meaning: A formal written or spoken statement, especially one given in a court of law.

Example: "the testimony of an eyewitness"

Synonyms: Evidence, Affidavit

298) **Dispassionate**

Meaning: Not influenced by strong emotion, and so able to be rational and impartial.

Example: "she dealt with life's disasters in a calm, dispassionate way"

Synonyms: Collected, Calm

Antonyms: Emotional, Biased

299) **Fraught**

Meaning: Causing or affected by anxiety or stress.

Example: "there was a fraught silence"

Synonyms: Anxious, Worried

Antonyms: Calm

300) **Heightened**

Meaning: Make or become more intense.

Example: "the pleasure was heightened by the sense of guilt that accompanied it"

Synonyms: Intensify, Increase

Antonyms: Reduce

BANKING AWARENESS

Q.1) Which of the following is the difference between Normal Banks and Payment Banks?

a) Most banks levy a charge on its customers in case one fails to hold a minimum balance in their account, but payment bank cannot levy any charge to the customers.

b) Banks maintain minimum balance in account, but payment bank came up with zero balance account.

c) Banks can lend money to the customer, but payments banks cannot lend they can only take deposits or accept payments.

d) All of the above

e) Both a and c

Q.2) Online food ordering and the delivery platform Swiggy have agreed with which private sector bank to give a Unified Payment Interface based solution to instant fund transfers on the-go and an option to facilitate cash deposits at automated Cash Deposit Machines (CDM) to its customer?

a) Axis Bank b) ICICI Bank

c) HDFC Bank d) Yes Bank

e) IndusInd Bank

Q.3) Which of the following has made mandatory for bank loans of over 50 crores and above, according to Financial Services Secretary Rajeev Kumar?

a) Passport Details b) Aadhaar Card

c) Driving License d) Voter ID

e) Both a and b

Q.4) According to a report released by global startup ecosystem map Startupblink, India has been ranked at which place in the global startup ecosystem in 2017 and the list is topped by United States of America?

a) 37th b) 42nd

c) 45th d) 32nd e) 25th

Q.5) Which of the following has celebrates its 28th foundation day with launch of ' Samridhi - the virtual assistant' & ' Bankability Kit' on April 2, 2018?

a) NABARD b) SIDBI

c) SEBI d) IRDAI e) NHB

Q.6) According to the financial services secretary Rajeev Kumar, for all existing loans of over 50 crore, banks have been asked to collect passport details of borrowers within _____.

a) 15 days b) 30 days

c) 90 days d) 45 days

e) 60 days

Q.7) A Memorandum of Undertaking (MoU) was signed between the Indian Army and which private sector bank on the Defence Salary Package, apart from this the Army personnel will get free personal accident death cover and free permanent disability cover of Rs 30 lakhs, free educational cover of upto Rs 1 Lakh per year for four years?

a) Axis Bank b) ICICI Bank

c) HDFC Bank d) Yes Bank

e) IndusInd Bank

Q.8) _____ is a Japanese multinational conglomerate holding company headquartered in Tokyo, Japan has agreed to launch a \$930 million Indian joint solar energy venture with Chinese firm GCL System Integration Technology Co as part of its India solar investment roadmap, recently.

a) Aozora Bank

b) Mizuho Bank

c) SoftBank

d) Nomura Trust & Banking Co.

e) Mitsubishi UFJ Financial

Q.9) Jio Payments Bank Limited has commenced operations as a payments bank with effect from April 3, 2018. It is a joint venture of Reliance Jio and SBI. Who is the MD & CEO of Jio Payments Bank?

a) Srikrishnan b) Shashi Arora

c) Vijay Shekhar Sharma

d) Rishi Gupta e) Suresh Sethi

Q.10) According to the First Bi-monthly Monetary Policy Statement, 2018-19, Marginal Standing Facility Rate and Bank Rate is at which per cent?

a) 6.25%, 6.50% b) 6.25%, 6.75%

c) 6.25%, 6.25% d) 6.75%, 6.50%

e) 5.25%, 6.50%

Q.11) In which of the following citie(s) Qatar-based Doha Bank has started its operations branch in India, recently?

a) Mumbai b) Kochi

c) Chennai d) All the above

e) Both a and b

Q.12) Digital payments company PayPal and FIEO have tied up to promote exports, leveraging the technology platform and help them receive money in a safe and timely manner with PayPal products. Expand the term FIEO.

- a) Foundation of Indian Export Organisations
- b) Federal of Indian Export Organisations
- c) Formation of Indian Export Organisations
- d) Federation of Indian Export Organisations
- e) Financial of Indian Export Organisations

Q.13) The Reserve Bank of India has revised the limits on investment in debt instruments by foreign portfolio investors (FPI). List the statement which is true?

- a) The limit for FPI investment in Central Government securities (G-secs) would be increased by 0.5% each year to 5.5% of outstanding stock of securities in 2018-19.
- b) The limit for FPI investment in State Development Loans (SDLs) would remain unchanged at 2% of outstanding stock of securities.
- c) The overall limit for FPI investment in corporate bonds will be fixed at 9% of outstanding stock of corporate bonds.
- d) All are true
- e) Both a and c

Q.14) The Global financial messaging cooperative SWIFT has announced that which of the following bank has become its first Indian client to go live with an improved cross-border payments service?

- a) HDFC Bank
- b) State Bank of India
- c) ICICI Bank
- d) Bank of Baroda
- e) Axis Bank

Q.15) The Reserve Bank has switched back to the Gross Domestic Product (GDP)-based measure from the Gross Value Added (GVA) methodology. For analysing growth estimates using GVA methodology from January 2015 and had also changed the base year to _____ from January.

- a) 2016
- b) 2018
- c) 2017
- d) 2019
- e) 2020

Q.16) The State Bank of India (SBI) has decided to invest of a total of how many billion in the Arun III hydropower project of Nepal, which has 900 megawatts (MW) electricity production capacities?

- a) Rs 60 billion
- b) Rs 70 billion
- c) Rs 90 billion
- d) Rs 50 billion
- e) Rs 80 billion

Q.17) Which of the following bank has launched a special financing scheme named 'Add on Working Capital GST' scheme to help the state industry cope with the delay in reimbursement of GST under special tax relief?

- a) South Indian Bank
- b) Karnataka Bank
- c) Jammu and Kashmir Bank
- d) Kotak Mahindra Bank
- e) Catholic Syrian Bank Limited

Q.18) Payment and transaction processing solutions provider, Euronet India has partnered with which bank to modernise the bank's core payment infrastructure?

- a) City Union Bank
- b) Axis Bank
- c) Yes Bank
- d) HDFC Bank
- e) ICICI Bank

Q.19) According to the Union Petroleum Minister Dharmendra Pradhan, India will coordinate with which country and other Asian countries to voice against the "Asian Premium" being charged by the Organisation of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)?

- a) Iraq
- b) Japan
- c) China
- d) Iran
- e) Argentina

Q.20) Apart from SBI, the Everest Bank Limited also will invest 3.60 Billion Rupees (2.25 Billion INR) in the Arun III hydropower project. Everest Bank Limited is the Commercial Bank of which country, a joint venture of Punjab National Bank (20%), India?

- a) Pakistan
- b) Nepal
- c) Bangladesh
- d) Myanmar
- e) Sri Lanka

Q.21) E-way bill requirement for intra-state movement of goods have been rolled out in 5 states. List the one which is not among them?

- a) Gujarat
- b) Uttar Pradesh
- c) Andhra Pradesh
- d) Kerala
- e) Maharashtra

Q.22) Kisan Credit card can be issued by _____.

- a) Commercial Banks
- b) RRBs and Cooperatives
- c) Small Finance Banks
- d) Payment Banks
- e) All a, b, c

Q.23) The Finance Ministry had recently stated that FDI proposals would be cleared within _____ of the application.

- a) 30 days
- b) 45 days
- c) 60 days
- d) 90 days
- e) 20 days

Q.24) _____ is the process by which investment bankers raise investment capital from investors on behalf of corporations and governments that are issuing either equity or debt securities.

- a) Underwriting
- b) Undertaking
- c) Letter of credit
- d) Line of credit
- e) Point of Sale

Q.25) _____ is a kind of financial ratio that indicates the level of debt incurred by a business entity against several other accounts in its balance sheet, income statement, or cash flow statement.

- a) Liquidity Ratio
- b) Operational Ratio
- c) Valuation Ratio
- d) Debtors Turnover Ratio
- e) Leverage Ratio

Q.26) Which of the following is not the member countries of Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), headquartered in Vienna, Austria?

- a) Algeria
- b) Angola
- c) Equatorial Guinea
- d) Gabon
- e) Argentina

Q.27) National Institute of Securities Markets (NISM) is an Indian public trust and an educational institute and staff college of SEBI established in 2006 by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) the regulator for the securities market in India. It is located in _____.

- a) Mumbai, Maharashtra
- b) Hyderabad, Telangana
- c) Kochi, Kerala
- d) Bangalore, Karnataka
- e) Jaipur, Rajasthan

Q.28) CAGR is a business and investing specific term for the geometric progression ratio that provides a constant rate of return over the time period. Expand the term CAGR.

- a) Compatible Annual Growth Rate
- b) Compound Annual Growth Rate
- c) Correspondent Annual Growth Rate
- d) Compound Annual Gross Rate
- e) Compound Annuity Growth Rate

Q.29) CGTMSE is a fund which provides guarantee for loans given to MSEs i.e. in case borrowers fails to give back loans, bank will get their money from this fund. Expand the term CGTMSE.

- a) Credit Guarantee Trade Fund for Micro and Small Enterprises
- b) Credit Guarantee Trust Fund for Micro and Small Enterprises
- c) Cross Guarantee Trust Fund for Micro and Small Enterprises

d) Credit Guarantee Transfer Fund for Micro and Small Enterprises

e) Credit Gross Treasury Fund for Micro and Small Enterprises

Q.30) Which of the following type of risk is considered under the Market Risk?

a) Interest Rate Risk b) Equity Risk

c) Currency Risk d) Commodity Risk

e) All the above

Q.31) BPSS is a sub-committee of the Central Board of the Reserve Bank of India is the highest policy making body on payment systems in the country. Expand the term BPSS.

a) Board for Reform and Supervision of Payment and Settlement Systems

b) Board for Regulatory and Supervision of Payment and Settlement Systems

c) Board for Register and Supervision of Payment and Settlement Systems

d) Board for Regulation and Settlement of Payment and Systems Supervision

e) Board for Regulation and Supervision of Payment and Settlement Systems

Q.32) The Bank introduced the ECS (Credit) scheme during the 1990s to handle bulk and repetitive payment requirements (like salary, interest, dividend payments) of corporates and other institutions. Expand the term ECS.

a) Electronic Clearing Scheme

b) Electronic Clearing Surge

c) Electronic Clearing Service

d) Electronic Clearing Sector

e) Electronic Clearing System

Q.33) Pre-paid instruments are payment instruments that facilitate purchase of goods and services against the value stored on these instruments. It can be issued in the form of _____.

a) Smart Cards

b) Magnetic Stripe Cards

c) Internet Wallets

d) Mobile Wallets

e) All the above

Q.34) National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) act as an umbrella organisation for operating which type of payments in India?

a) Corporate Payment Systems

b) Retail Payment Systems

c) Commercial Payment Systems

d) Import-Export Payment Systems

e) Industrial Payment Systems

Q.35) _____ is an innovative real time payment service that is available round the clock. It is offered by National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) that empowers

customers to transfer money instantly through banks and RBI authorized Prepaid Payment Instrument Issuers (PPI) across India.

a) Immediate Payment Service (IMPS)

b) National Electronic Funds Transfer (NEFT)

c) Real-Time Gross Settlement (RTGS)

d) Bharat Bill Payment System (BBPS)

e) None of these

Q.36) In India, the payment and settlement systems are regulated under which act?

a) Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2007

b) Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2006

c) Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2010

d) Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2011

e) Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2008

Q.37) The Reserve Bank of India has specified certain regulatory trigger points, as a part of Prompt Corrective Action (PCA) Framework, in terms of which of the following parameters?

a) Capital to Risk Weighted Assets Ratio (CRAR)

b) Non-Performing Assets (NPA)

c) Return on Assets (RoA)

d) All the above

e) Both a and b

Q.38) The IMF has projected a global growth of what per cent in the next two years due to strong momentum, favourable market sentiment among other factors, recently?

a) 3.7 per cent b) 3.9 per cent

c) 3.5 per cent d) 3.6 per cent

e) 3.8 per cent

Q.39) Mobile Money Identifier is a 7-digit number, issued by banks. It is clubbed with which of the following number to facilitates fund transfer?

a) Account Number b) Mobile Number

c) Aadhaar Number d) PAN Number

e) either a or b

Q.40) The use of pre-paid payment instruments for cross border transactions has not been permitted, except for the payment instruments approved under which act?

a) Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999

b) Payment and Settlement Act, 2007

c) Banking Regulation Act, 1949

d) RBI Act, 1934

e) Payment and Settlement Systems Regulations, 2008

Q.41) What is the rank of India in the latest annual Index of Economic Freedom 2018 released by a top American think-tank the Heritage Foundation?

a) 130th b) 143rd

c) 137th d) 122nd

e) 104th

Q.42) The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has projected India's economic growth is set to rise to _____ this fiscal and further to _____ in the next financial year, on back of GST and banking reforms, recently.

a) 7.2 per cent & 7.6 percent

b) 7.3 per cent & 7.6 percent

c) 7.0 per cent & 7.6 percent

d) 7.3 per cent & 7.5 percent

e) 7.6 per cent & 7.8 percent

Q.43) FRDI Bill, 2017, which proposes to create a framework for overseeing financial institutions like banks. Expand the term FRDI.

a) Fiscal Resolution and Deposit Insurance

b) Financial Resolve and Deposit Insurance

c) Financial Refinance and Deposit Insurance

d) Federal Resolution and Deposit Insurance

e) Financial Resolution and Deposit Insurance

Q.44) In which type of payment system there is no minimum and maximum limit to transfer money for the Individuals, firms or corporates maintaining accounts with a bank branch?

a) NEFT b) RTGS

c) SWIFT d) IMPS

e) BHIM

Q.45) _____ is an alpha-numeric code that uniquely identifies a bank-branch participating in the NEFT system.

a) IFSC Code b) MICR Code

c) OMR Code d) OCR Code

e) Bar Code

Q.46) Around how much percent cash scarcity has emerged as currency notes of Rs 2,000 and Rs 500 denomination have been out of circulation as per the All India Bank Officers' Confederation (AIBOC), recently?

a) 20-40 per cent b) 30-45 per cent

c) 25-40 per cent d) 30-40 per cent

e) 10-20 per cent

Q.47) AEPS is a bank led model which allows online interoperable financial transaction at PoS (Point of Sale / Micro ATM) through the Business Correspondent (BC)/Bank Mitra of any bank using the Aadhaar authentication. In the term AEPS, E stands for _____.

a) Enabled

b) Electronic

- c) Easy
e) Encoding
- Q.48) MTSS is a way of transferring personal remittances from abroad to beneficiaries in India. Expand the term MTSS.
- a) Money Transfer Service Scheme
b) Money Transferred Service Scheme
c) Money Transfer Service System
d) Money Transfer Security Scheme
e) Mobile Transfer Service Scheme
- Q.49) Bitcoin is the first decentralized digital currency, as the system works without a central bank or single administrator. It was invented by whom?
- a) Satoshi Nakamoto
b) Yoshinori Ohsumi
c) Haruko Obokata
d) Shinya Yamanaka
e) Isamu Akasaki
- Q.50) RDA is a channel to receive cross-border remittances from overseas jurisdictions. Expand the term RDA.
- a) Remittance Drawing Arrangement
b) Rupee Drawing Assessment
c) Rupee Derivative Arrangement
d) Remittance Drawing Assignment
e) Rupee Drawing Arrangement
- Q.51) Individuals who do not have a bank account can also deposit cash at the NEFT-enabled branches. However, such cash remittances will be restricted to a maximum of _____ per transaction.
- a) Rs. 50,000
b) Rs. 25,000
c) Rs. 1,00,000
d) Rs. 5,00,000
e) Rs. 75,000
- Q.52) Who is the head of the committee that has recommended the restoration of Banking Cash Transaction Tax (BCTT) on Digital Payment?
- a) Chandrababu Naidu
b) RN Malhotra
c) Y H Malegam
d) Y V Reddy
e) Chandrasekar Rao
- Q.53) What is the maximum limit per day to transfer money using AADHAR Enabled Payment System?
- a) Rs. 5,00,000
b) Rs. 25,000
c) Rs. 1,00,000
d) Rs. 50,000
e) Rs. 75,000
- Q.54) Happay in collaboration with which private sector bank, introduced a new prepaid card-linked Travel and Entertainment (T&E) expense management solution to enable Indian enterprises to efficiently manage their business travel expenditure?
- a) ICICI Bank
b) HDFC Bank
c) Axis Bank
d) Yes Bank

- e) Citi Bank
- Q.55) Which of the following country was set to become the 69th member of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) after shareholders of the international financial institution gave their nod to the country's candidature?
- a) India
b) Egypt
c) Denmark
d) China
e) Jordan
- Q.56) Indian Financial System Code is an 11-digit code that uniquely identifies a bank-branch participating in the NEFT system. The 5th character in the code denotes _____.
- a) Bank
b) Bank Branch
c) Zero
d) City
e) Country
- Q.57) The Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) has signed a memorandum of understanding with which e-governance services to take Udyami Mitra portal to the unserved and the underserved MSMEs.
- a) CSC e-governance Services (CSCeGS)
b) National e-Governance Plan (NeGP)
c) Participatory Guarantee System (PGS)
d) Ponsree e-India Services
e) None of these
- Q.58) Which of the following statement is false about the Money Transfer Service Scheme (MTSS)?
- a) A cap of USD 2,500 has been placed on individual remittances under the scheme.
b) Only cross-border personal remittances, such as, remittances towards family maintenance and remittances favouring foreign tourists visiting India are allowed under this arrangement.
c) Amounts up to INR 50,000/- may be paid in cash to a beneficiary in India.
d) Indian Agents not need permission from the Regional Office concerned of the Foreign Exchange Department, Reserve Bank of India to operate under the MTSS framework.
e) Both a and b
- Q.59) VVPAT is a method of providing feedback to voters using a ballotless voting system. Expand the term VVPAT.
- a) Voter Verified Paper Audit Trail
b) Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail
c) Voter Verifiable Paper Auditing Trail
d) Voter Verifiable Product Audit Trail
e) Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Track
- Q.60) Which of the following statement is true about the Rupee Drawing Arrangement (RDA)?

- a) There is no limit on the remittance amount as well as on the number of remittances
b) There is an upper cap of Rs.15.00 lakh for trade related transactions.
c) No cash disbursement of remittances is allowed under RDA. It can be only credited to the bank account of the beneficiary.
d) All are true
e) Both a and c
- Q.61) FATF are to set standards and promote effective implementation of legal, regulatory and operational measures for combating money laundering, terrorist financing and other related threats to the integrity of the international financial system. Expand FATF.
- a) Financial Action Task Force
b) Federal Account Task Force
c) Financial Act Task Force
d) Financial Admin Task Force
e) Federal Action Task Force
- Q.62) MPIN (Mobile banking Personal Identification Number) works as a password when you perform any transaction using mobile, contains how many digits as a secret code similar to the ATM PIN?
- a) Four
b) Eight
c) Six
d) Both a and b
e) Either a or c
- Q.63) State Bank of India launched OCAS, an online platform to apply for Home Loans, Car Loans, Education Loans and Personal Loans. Expand the term OCAS.
- a) Online Customer Acquired Solution
b) Offline Consumer Acquisition Solution
c) Online Customer Acquisition Solution
d) Online Consumer Acquisition Solution
e) Offline Customer Acquisition Solution
- Q.64) The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has projected that India is expected to grow at _____ in 2018 and _____ in 2019 and would re-emerge as one of the fastest growing major economies in the period.
- a) 7.2 per cent and 7.8 per cent
b) 7.4 per cent and 7.8 per cent
c) 7.4 per cent and 7.7 per cent
d) 7.4 per cent and 7.6 per cent
e) 7.3 per cent and 7.8 per cent
- Q.65) As per the information shared by Indian Cellular Association with Telecom Minister Manoj Sinha and IT Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad, India is in which place as the largest mobile phone producer in the world, the list is topped by china?
- a) Second
b) Third
c) Fifth
d) Sixth

e) Seventh

Q.66) PFMS is an ambitious project of Government of India being implemented by Controller General of Accounts, Ministry of Finance. Expand the term PFMS.

- a) Public Financial Management System
- b) Public Financial Management Scheme
- c) Private Fiscal Management System
- d) Public Fiscal Management Scheme
- e) Private Financial Management System

Q.67) According to the Steel Users Federation of India (SUFI), India has surpassed which of the following country to become the world's second largest producer of crude steel. And the list is topped by china?

- a) Japan
- b) Russia
- c) Qatar
- d) Bahrain
- e) Brazil

Q.68) Which of the following Private sector lender has received RBI's approval to buy the securities services arm of IL&FS (Infrastructure Leasing and Financial Services), recently?

- a) HDFC Bank
- b) ICICI Bank
- c) IndusInd Bank
- d) Axis Bank
- e) Yes Bank

Q.69) Jio Payments Bank Limited has commenced operations as a payments bank with effect from _____.

- a) April 3, 2018
- b) April 1, 2018
- c) March 3, 2018
- d) March 1, 2018
- e) March 28, 2018

Q.70) Which of the following bank has launched a Public Financial Management System (PFMS), facilitating payment services for government agencies, recently?

- a) Andhra Bank
- b) Bank of Baroda
- c) Indian Bank
- d) Canara Bank
- e) Vijaya Bank

Q.71) The Government of India, the Government of Meghalaya signed with which bank for a \$48 million loan agreement to support select communities in Meghalaya manage their natural resources using a community-led landscape approach, recently?

- a) European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
- b) World Bank
- c) International Monetary Fund
- d) New Development Bank
- e) Asian Development Bank

Q.72) Which of the following Public-Sector Bank launched as part of their 'Customer First' initiative launched Internet of Things (IoT)-based customer feedback application

on a pilot basis at its Cathedral branch, Chennai?

- a) Indian Overseas Bank
- b) Indian Bank
- c) Canara Bank
- d) State Bank of India
- e) Vijaya Bank

Q.73) Jio Payment Bank has a joint venture of between Reliance Industries and the State Bank of India with a ratio of _____.

- a) 55:45
- b) 50:50
- c) 70:30
- d) 75:25
- e) 60:40

Q.74) IndusInd Bank has launched which pilot enterprise solution to communicate with its customer about their basic banking services like checking balance, mini statement, transaction alert?

- a) Whatsapp
- b) Facebook
- c) Hike
- d) Skype
- e) Telegram

Q.75) Public Financial Management System (PFMS) made a historic record an amount of Rs. 71,633.45 crores have been digitally transacted/routed processed in a single day. PFMS was implemented by which ministry?

- a) Ministry of Commerce and Industry
- b) Ministry of Finance
- c) Minister of External Affairs
- d) Minister of Corporate Affairs
- e) Minister of Information & Broadcasting

Q.76) The European Bank for Reconstruction and Development is an international financial institution founded in 1991. Its headquarters is in _____.

- a) London, United Kingdom
- b) Washington D.C, USA
- c) Vienna, Austria
- d) Geneva, Switzerland
- e) Berlin, Germany

Q.77) India's central bank has raised the Foreign Portfolio Investment (FPI) limit on government bonds amid rising global investor interest for domestic debt papers to how much percent from 5 per cent in FY2019?

- a) 5.5 per cent
- b) 6.0 per cent
- c) 7.5 per cent
- d) 6.5 per cent
- e) 5.6 per cent

Q.78) How many public-sector banks are under the radar of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) over the issue of non-performing assets and also brought under the central bank's Prompt Corrective Action (PCA) framework with an aim to check NPAs, till April 2018?

- a) Ten
- b) Nine
- c) Eight
- d) Eleven
- e) Twelve

Q.79) Development finance institution NABARD said it aims to increase its long-term on-lending or refinance portfolio to about how much crore in the current fiscal as part of its effort to improve the rural economy?

- a) Rs 90,000 crore
- b) Rs 70,000 crore
- c) Rs 80,000 crore
- d) Rs 60,000 crore
- e) Rs 50,000 crore

Q.80) RBI has imposed of how much crore penalty for the IDBI Bank on it for non-compliance of 'Income Recognition and Asset Classification' (IRAC) norms?

- a) Rs 6 crore
- b) Rs 2 crore
- c) Rs 5 crore
- d) Rs 3 crore
- e) Rs 4 crore

Q.81) Board of Directors of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) have approved how much amount loan to improve the rural connectivity and management for residents in Madhya Pradesh, recently?

- a) USD \$ 120 million
- b) USD \$ 160 million
- c) USD \$ 150 million
- d) USD \$ 140 million
- e) USD \$ 130 million

Q.82) The World Bank has approved \$55 million to grow clean and renewable energy in rural areas, also this funding will be added to the existing Second Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Development (RERED II) Project for which country?

- a) Sri Lanka
- b) India
- c) Bangladesh
- d) Thailand
- e) Nepal

Q.83) SIDBI has tied up with Common Service Centre (CSC), a plan to run MEPP in 115 aspirational districts across the country. Expand the term MEPP.

- a) Macro Enterprises Promotion Program
- b) Micro Entry Promotion Program
- c) Micro Entertain Promotion Program
- d) Micro Enterprises Processed Program
- e) Micro Enterprises Promotion Program

Q.84) NERL has signed the agreement with ICICI Bank and HDFC Bank, where they will offer pledge finance against eNWRs created on NERL's platform commodities stored in warehouses registered with Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority (WDRA). Expand NERL.

- a) National E-Regulatory Limited
- b) National E-Registered Limited
- c) National E-Refinance Limited
- d) National E-Repository Limited
- e) National E-Restored Limited

Q.85) Which of the following public-sector bank has not under the radar of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) over the issue of non-performing assets and Prompt Corrective Action (PCA) framework?

- a) UCO Bank b) Bank of India
c) Indian Overseas Bank
d) Bank of Baroda e) IDBI Bank

Q.86) Reliance Jio and employee benefits firm Sodexo has joined hands to integrate Sodexo Meal Cards with a user's JioMoney account to allow mobile-based payments via Sodexo Meal Card. Sodexo headquarters is in which country?

- a) Paris, France
b) Geneva, Switzerland
c) Washington D.C, USA
d) London, UK
e) Moscow, Russia

Q.87) State-run Punjab National Bank (PNB) has launched a new product such as pre-approved credit card and UPI solution to mark its _____ foundation day.

- a) 125th b) 124th
c) 130th d) 150th e) 120th

Q.88) Reliance Jio has raised how much million through a syndicated Samurai loan from three Japanese banks, including Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ (MUFG), Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (SMBC) and Mizuho Bank, recently?

- a) \$350 million b) \$100 million
c) \$500 million d) \$250 million
e) \$200 million

Q.89) Which bank has become one of the top 50 most valuable publicly traded firms in India with the market capitalization of Rs. 64,000 crore, claiming 50th rank, according to BSE data?

- a) Bandhan Bank
b) IDBI Bank
c) Bank of India
d) Union Bank of India
e) Punjab National Bank

Q.90) e-NWR System is an initiative taken by the WDRA in simplifying the Warehouse Registration Rules, digitizing the entire process of registration, monitoring and surveillance. Expand e-NWR.

- a) Electronic Negotiable Warehouse Register
b) Electronic Negotiable Warehouse Receipt
c) Electronic Negotiable Warehouse Reform
d) Electronic Negotiable Warehouse Record
e) Electronic Negotiable Warehouse Recipient

Q.91) In the field of banking, ADF seeks to ensure submission of correct and consistent

data from the banks straight from their systems to Reserve Bank without any manual intervention. What does ADF stand for?

- a) Additional Dearness Facility
b) Automated Data Flow
c) Additional Deposit Fact
d) Automated Deposit Field
e) Automatic Data Flow

Q.92) Which of the following rate is governed by the provisions of Section 42 (1) of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934?

- a) Bank rate b) Reverse Repo Rate
c) SLR d) CRR e) MSF

Q.93) National E-Repository Limited (NERL), a group company of which organisation/ entity that will hold both negotiable and non-negotiable warehouse receipts in electronic format in order to replace the current, paper-based receipt system over a period of time?

- a) National Commodity & Derivatives Exchange Ltd. (NCDEX)
b) National Stock Exchange (NSE)
c) Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE)
d) Enrich Commodities India Pvt Ltd (ECI)
e) Multi Commodity Exchange of India Ltd (MCX)

Q.94) The National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) headed by a Director General is responsible for conduct of large scale sample surveys in diverse fields on All India basis. It is under which ministry?

- a) Ministry of Finance
b) Ministry of Rural Development
c) Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation
d) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
e) Ministry of Commerce and Industry

Q.95) BCSBI (Banking Codes and Standards Board of India) was registered as a society under which act in February 2006?

- a) Companies Act, 1956
b) Banking Regulation Act, 1949
c) Societies Registration Act, 1860
d) Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934
e) None of these

Q.96) Capital First said that the regulator National Housing Bank (NHB) has approved the merger of the company along with Capital Home Finance and Capital First Securities Limited with which bank?

- a) Axis Bank b) HDFC Bank
c) IDFC Bank d) Kotak Mahindra Bank
e) South Indian Bank

Q.97) RBI has recently decided to do away with the per borrower loan limits to

Micro/Small and Medium Enterprises (Services) for classification under PSL. Expand the term PSL.

- a) Private Sector Lending
b) Priority Sector Lending
c) Priority Service Lending
d) Priority Securities Lending
e) Priority Sector Loan

Q.98) APB facilitates end-to-end processing of bulk electronic payment instructions primarily facilitating the government departments to disburse the Direct Benefit Transfers (DBT). In APB, "B" Stands for?

- a) Banking b) Bridge
c) Bond d) Base
e) Basel

Q.99) CERSAI is a central online security interest registry of India. It was primarily created to check frauds in lending against equitable mortgages, in which people would take multiple loans on the same asset from different banks. What is the meaning of "A" in CERSAI?

- a) Association b) Agency
c) Asset d) Aboard
e) Annually

Q.100) Which of the following bank has announced its UPI partnership with the expense management app WALNUT that comes embedded with features such as bill reminders, bill-split and instant paperless loans?

- a) Punjab National Bank
b) Bank of Baroda
c) Punjab & Sind Bank
d) State Bank of India
e) Bank of India

Q.101) Which of the following bank has surpassed State Bank of India in market value for the first time to become the second-most valuable bank in India after HDFC Bank?

- a) Kotak Mahindra Bank
b) Karnataka Bank
c) Karur Vysya Bank
d) ICICI Bank
e) Axis Bank

Q.102) How many post offices has to empower after integration with 650 Payments Banks to enable an array of digital services including financial inclusion for 130 crore Indians by the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) government, recently?

- a) 2.55 lakh post offices
b) 1.55 lakh post offices
c) 1.50 lakh post offices
d) 1 lakh post offices
e) 1.75 lakh post offices

Q.103) India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) has launched pilot services in Raipur and _____ in January 2017 after the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) had in 2015 approved Payments Banks to 11 entities.

- a) Ranchi b) Jaipur
c) Mumbai d) Hyderabad
e) Bangalore

Q.104) National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has extended total credit support of how much crore to Rajasthan for 2017-18 under the Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF) of NABARD?

- a) Rs 14,690 crore b) Rs 11,690 crore
c) Rs 15,690 crore d) Rs 17,690 crore
e) Rs 12,690 crore

Q.105) The Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) said it expects India's gross domestic product (GDP) to grow at _____ during the 2018-19 financial year.

- a) 7.3-7.7 percent b) 7.0-7.7 percent
c) 7.2-7.7 percent d) 7.4-7.7 percent
e) 7.5-7.7 percent

Q.106) India has ranked in which place on a new Commonwealth Innovation Index, created in partnership with the United Nations World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) and its annual Global Innovation Index (GII)?

- a) 20th b) 12th
c) 15th d) 10th e) 18th

Q.107) As per the TRA Brand Trust Report 2018 which of the following bank has declared as the most-trusted bank (both public and private sector) in the country?

- a) State Bank of India b) ICICI Bank
c) HDFC Bank d) Canara Bank
e) Kotak Mahindra Bank

Q.108) Which of the following bank has launched the 4th edition of 'Evolve', an annual multi-city knowledge series for bank in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu?

- a) Kotak Mahindra Bank
b) ICICI Bank c) HDFC Bank
d) Axis Bank e) South Indian Bank

Q.109) The Reserve Bank of India has placed which bank under its directions that depositors will be allowed to withdraw a sum not exceeding ₹ 1000 (Rupees One Thousand only) of the total balance held in every saving bank or current account or any other deposit account by whatever name called, subject to conditions stipulated?

- a) Karad Urban Cooperative Bank Ltd.
b) Cosmos Cooperative Bank Ltd.
c) Bharat Cooperative Bank Ltd.
d) City Co-operative Bank Ltd.

e) Citizen Credit Cooperative Bank Ltd.

Q.110) As per the TRA Brand Trust Report 2018 which of the following bank has topped the chart as most-trusted among the private ones?

- a) Canara Bank
b) Kotak Mahindra Bank
c) HDFC Bank
d) State Bank of India
e) ICICI Bank

Q.111) Which of the following country has topped in Commonwealth Innovation Index 2018, created in partnership with the United Nations World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) and its annual Global Innovation Index (GII)?

- a) United Kingdom b) USA
c) Denmark d) China
e) Hong Kong

Q.112) The Reserve Bank of India will link the base rate with the MCLR to ensure expeditious transmission of its policy rate to borrowers from 1st of April 2018. What is the meaning of "L" in MCLR?

- a) Leverage b) Lending
c) Liquidity d) Lease
e) Loss

Q.113) NAM is envisaged as a pan-India electronic trading portal which seeks to network the existing APMC and other market yards to create a unified national market for agricultural commodities. Expand the term NAM.

- a) National Agriculture Money
b) Non Agriculture Market
c) National Agriculture Management
d) National Agency Market
e) National Agriculture Market

Q.114) Which of the following Global logistics group is working to link Indian companies with businesses in the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) to strengthen India's economic relations with Southeast Asian markets?

- a) Denmark Logistics Group
b) Deutsche Post DHL Group
c) Global Logistics Solutions (India) Pvt. Ltd.
d) French Logistics Solutions
e) American Logistics Solutions

Q.115) Name the voicebot launched by Kotak Mahindra Bank, as the country's first artificial intelligence-powered voicebot, developed using a library of millions of phone-banking conversations over the past three years. It is powered by Nuance, the technology behind Apple's Siri.

- a) Kahaani b) Keybot
c) Keya d) Keva

e) Kamao

Q.116) Who is the MD & CEO of Deutsche Bank (Germany)?

- a) Thomas Sterlin b) Robert Brook
c) Christian Sewing d) Jayant Rikhye
e) Kanin Singh

Q.117) Headquarters of City Co-operative Bank Ltd. is located in _____.

- a) Chennai, Tamil Nadu
b) Bangalore, Karnataka
c) Hyderabad, Telangana
d) Mumbai, Maharashtra
e) Vadodara, Gujarat

Q.118) Name the app of AU Small Finance Bank wants to ramp up its business via crowd-sourcing involving not only employees but also customers and non-customers with the help of this mobile-based app.

- a) Kamao b) Karaat
c) Vikas d) Kahaani
e) Branche

Q.119) India has emerged as world's _____ largest economy, displacing France, according to the database of the International Monetary Fund's World Economic Outlook (WEO) for April 2018.

- a) Fifth b) Seventh
c) Eighth d) Sixth
e) Fourth

Q.120) Which of the following private sector lender has introduced a 'digital form' will help to open current accounts in a few hours?

- a) ICICI Bank b) HDFC Bank
c) Axis Bank d) Yes Bank
e) IndusInd Bank

Q.121) Private sector lender YES Bank has got approval from the Reserve Bank of India to open two international representative offices in _____ and _____.

- a) Singapore, London
b) London, Paris
c) New York, London
d) Singapore, Malaysia
e) Hong Kong, Paris

Q.122) Headquarters of AU Small Finance Bank is in _____.

- a) Chennai, Tamil Nadu
b) Bangalore, Karnataka
c) Jaipur, Rajasthan
d) Mumbai, Maharashtra
e) Vadodara, Gujarat

Q.123) For the first time which of the following country's central bank has paved the way for domestic commercial banks to borrow from foreign banks and financial

institutions to address the liquidity crunch in banking system?

- a) Myanmar
- b) Nepal
- c) Bhutan
- d) Bangladesh
- e) Thailand

Q.124) India's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) has clocked in how many trillion for 2017, according to the database of the International Monetary Fund's World Economic Outlook (WEO) for April 2018?

- a) \$2.7 trillion
- b) \$2.5 trillion
- c) \$3.6 trillion
- d) \$3.2 trillion
- e) \$2.6 trillion

Q.125) Which of the following bank has launched the country's first artificial intelligence-powered voicebot in the banking sector. The voicebot has been developed using a library of millions of phone-banking conversations over the past three years, recently?

- a) HDFC Bank
- b) State Bank of India
- c) Kotak Mahindra Bank
- d) Bank of India
- e) ICICI Bank

Q.126) Which of the following country is not under top five list in the world's largest economy ahead of India?

- a) USA
- b) China
- c) France
- d) Japan
- e) Germany

Q.127) Which of the following is Nepal's central bank?

- a) Republic bank of Nepal
- b) Bank of Nepal
- c) Nepal Rastra Bank
- d) Central Bank of Nepal
- e) National bank of Nepal

Q.128) Who is the MD & CEO of AU Small Finance Bank?

- a) Sarvjit Singh
- b) Sanjay Agarwal
- c) Rajeev Yadav
- d) Vasudevan
- e) Baskar Babu

Q.129) Reintroduction of tax on LTCG exceeding Rs 1 lakh from sale of shares, will kick in from April 1, the beginning of 2018-19 financial year as mention in Budget 2018. Expand the term LTCG.

- a) Liquidity Tax Capital Gains
- b) Long Tax Capital Gains
- c) Legal Term Capital Gains
- d) Long Term Capital Gains
- e) Leverage Term Capital Gains

Q.130) Which of the following payment bank has introduced plans to deploy multi-utility Android-based mPOS devices across 10,000 banking points in the country in a phased manner, recently?

- a) Fino Payments Bank
- b) Airtel Payments Bank
- c) Paytm Payments Bank
- d) India Post Payments Bank
- e) Jio Payments Bank

Q.131) ETFs are mutual funds listed and traded on stock exchanges like shares. ETFs stands for-

- a) Electronic Traded Funds
- b) Exchange Time Funds
- c) Electronic Traded Finance
- d) Exchange Traded Flows
- e) Exchange Traded Funds

Q.132) MSF rate refers to the rate at which the scheduled banks can borrow funds overnight from RBI against government securities. "F" in MSF denotes _____.

- a) Funded
- b) Financial
- c) Flow
- d) Facility
- e) Fund

Q.133) The Financial Stability Board (FSB) is an international body that monitors and makes recommendations about the global financial system, as a successor to the Financial Stability Forum (FSF). In which year FSB was established?

- a) 2001
- b) 2015
- c) 2003
- d) 2009
- e) 1997

Q.134) On the basis of Capital Account or Current Account or both which among the following economic terms is categorised?

- a) Gross National Product
- b) Value of the food stock of a country
- c) Balance of Payments
- d) Gross National Income
- e) Total collection of Direct Taxes in a year

Q.135) Part of company's earning or profit which is paid out to shareholders is known as _____.

- a) Sum Assured
- b) Premium
- c) Bonus
- d) Dividend
- e) Return

Q.136) Sukanya Samriddhi Account can be opened up to age of _____ years only from the date of birth.

- a) Five years
- b) Four years
- c) Six years
- d) Eight years
- e) Ten years

Q.137) Retirement fund body Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) has reduced the interest rate on deposits to _____ for 2017-18 from 8.65% for 2016-17.

- a) 8.35%
- b) 8.40%
- c) 8.45%
- d) 8.50%
- e) 8.55%

Q.138) The Reserve Bank of India has launched Ombudsman Scheme for non-banking financial companies (NBFCs) for redressal of complaints against them. In which city, the offices of the NBFC ombudsmen will function and handle complaints of customers?

- a) Mumbai
- b) Kolkata
- c) Chennai
- d) New Delhi
- e) All of the above

Q.139) As per the guidelines issued by the RBI, banks are preparing for a service which will allow customers to withdraw up to Rs. 1, 000 using their debit cards from notified shops/stores all over the country. All such shops/stores will have 'POS' terminals for the same. What is full form of the 'POS'?

- a) Payment on Sale
- b) Power of Sale
- c) Point of Sale
- d) Payment Order Service
- e) Pay on sale

Q.140) Data linked from this NSDP correspond to data described in the International Monetary Fund's DSBB. NSDP stands for-

- a) National Summary District Page
- b) National Summary Development Page
- c) National Summary Department Page
- d) National Summary Division Page
- e) National Summary Data Page

Q.141) The Reserve Bank had issued a licence to the bank under _____ of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 to carry on the business of payments bank in India.

- a) Section 28 (1)
- b) Section 26 (1)
- c) Section 22 (1)
- d) Section 23 (1)
- e) Section 21 (1)

Q.142) Ministry of Tourism has estimates monthly FEEs through Tourism in India, both in Rupee and Dollar terms based on the credit data of Travel Head from Balance of Payments of RBI. FEEs stands for-

- a) Financial Exchange Earnings
- b) Foreign Essential Earnings
- c) Foreign Exchange Earnings
- d) Foreign Estimate Earnings
- e) Funded Exchange Earnings

Q.143) Aditya Birla Idea Payments Bank Ltd (ABIPBL) started operations, making it the _____ payments bank to roll out operations after the RBI gave its in-principle approval to 11 applicants in August 2015.

- a) Sixth
- b) Fifth
- c) Third
- d) Fourth
- e) Seventh

Q.144) Central Registry of Securitisation Asset Reconstruction and Security Interest

of India (CERSAI) is a Government of India Company licensed under section 8 of the -

- a) Securities Laws (Amendment) Act, 1996
- b) Companies Act, 2013
- c) Banking Regulation Act, 1949
- d) Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934
- e) Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992

Q.145) Headquarters of CERSAI is in _____.

- a) Hyderabad
- b) Nagpur
- c) Kolkata
- d) Mumbai
- e) New Delhi

Q.146) In which of the following year, Clearing Corporation of India Limited (CCIL) was set up?

- a) 2003
- b) 2001
- c) 1999
- d) 2005
- e) 2007

Q.147) Which among the following is not a shareholder of CERSAI?

- a) Central Government
- b) National Housing Bank
- c) Public Sector Banks
- d) RBI
- e) All are true

Q.148) The Legal Entity Identifier (LEI) is a _____ alpha-numeric code based on the ISO 17442 standard developed by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO).

- a) 22 digits
- b) 18 digits
- c) 20 digits
- d) 16 digits
- e) 11 digits

Q.149) Who is the present MD & CEO of CERSAI?

- a) Mahesh Kumar Jain
- b) Naina Lal Kidwai
- c) Ajay Tyagi
- d) Praveen Kumar Sharma
- e) Mohammad Mustafa

Q.150) In CERSAI, Government of India having a shareholding of _____ by the Central Government.

- a) 74%
- b) 49%
- c) 51%
- d) 26%
- e) 100%

Q.151) CBLO is a money market instrument that represents an obligation between a borrower and a lender as to the terms and conditions of a loan. Expand the term CBLO.

- a) Collateralized Borrowing and Lending Obligation
- b) Collateralized Borrower and Lending Obligation
- c) Collateral Borrowing and Lending Obligation

d) Collateralized Borrowing and Lender Obligation

e) Collected Borrowing and Lending Obligation

Q.152) EFTPOS is a technology that makes it possible for retailers to directly receive funds from a customer's bank account via their debit card. In EFTPOS, "T" stands for _____.

- a) Trusty
- b) Treaty
- c) Technology
- d) Transfer
- e) Timing

Q.153) MIBOR is one iteration of an interbank rate, which is the rate of interest charged by a bank on a short-term loan to another bank. What is the full form of MIBOR?

- a) Management Inter-Bank Offer Reconstruction
- b) Mumbai Inter-Bank Offer Random
- c) Mumbai Inter-Bank Offer Rate
- d) Mumbai Inter-Bank Offer Ratio
- e) Mumbai Inter-Bank Offer Reconstruction

Q.154) MDR is a fee charged from a merchant by a bank for accepting payments from customers through credit and debit cards in their establishments. MDR stands for-

- a) Merchant Discount Ratio
- b) Merchant Discount Rating
- c) Merchant Discount Rate
- d) Merchant Development Rate
- e) Money Discount Rate

Q.155) YONO app is a digital banking app launched by the State Bank of India to fulfil all your banking, insurance, investments, and daily shopping needs. YONO stands for-

- a) You Only Name One
- b) You Only Need Original
- c) You Only Need Oriented
- d) You Only Need One
- e) You Only National One

Q.156) NCLT is a quasi-judicial body in India that adjudicates issues relating to companies in India. NCLT stands for-

- a) National Company Law Transaction
- b) National Company Law Trend
- c) National Company Law Tribunal
- d) National Common Law Tribunal
- e) National Company Law Treaty

Q.157) Which among the following bank has announced its partnership with Ripple (the enterprise blockchain solution for Global Payments) to facilitate payments into and out of India?

- a) State Bank of India
- b) IndusInd Bank
- c) Kotak Mahindra Bank

d) South Indian Bank

e) ICICI Bank

Q.158) LEI India Limited acts as a Local Operating Unit (LOU) for issuing globally compatible Legal Entity Identifiers (LEIs) in India. It is wholly owned subsidiary of-

- a) Securities and Exchange Board of India
- b) Bharatiya Reserve Bank Note Mudran Private Limited
- c) Small Industries Development Bank of India
- d) Clearing Corporation of India Limited
- e) Reserve Bank of India

Q.159) AEPS is a system that leverages Aadhaar online authentication and enables AEBAs to be operated in anytime-anywhere banking mode by the marginalized d financially excluded segments of society through micro ATMs. Expand the term "P" in AEPS?

- a) Parity
- b) Payment
- c) Practical
- d) Purchase
- e) Power

Q.160) CRR is the share of bank's total deposit that it needs to maintain (or keep) with RBI in form of cash. What is the full form of CRR?

- a) Cash Rate Ratio
- b) Cash Reserve Rate
- c) Cash Reserve Ratio
- d) Common Reserve Ratio
- e) Core Reserve Ratio

Q.161) Catholic Syrian Bank Ltd has tied up with Celebrus Capital Ltd (Celebrus), to offer CSB's customers online trading and demat services. Catholic Syrian Bank is based in-

- a) Ahmedabad
- b) Coimbatore
- c) Amravati
- d) Thrissur
- e) Chandigarh

Q.162) RBI has allowed NRIs access to the ETCD market to hedge currency risk arising out of their investments in India, a move aimed at providing them additional hedging options. Expand the term "D" in ETCD.

- a) Disclose
- b) Distance
- c) Development
- d) Derivatives
- e) Department

Q.163) State Bank of India (SBI) will undertake a major restructuring of its business in which country from April, 2018 and to ensure greater protection for depositors?

- a) France
- b) China
- c) USA
- d) Canada
- e) UK

Q.164) The Clearing Corporation of India Limited (CCIL) was set up in April, 2001 to

provide guaranteed clearing and settlement functions for-

- a) Transactions in Money
- b) Foreign Exchange
- c) G-Secs
- d) Derivative markets
- e) All of the above

Q.165) The Central Government has constituted National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) under section _____ of the Companies Act, 2013.

- a) Section 8
- b) Section 502
- c) Section 102
- d) Section 408
- e) Section 203

Q.166) The Indian economy grew at a five-quarter high of _____ in the October-December period reflecting overall recovery due to good show by agriculture, manufacturing, construction and certain services as per the second advanced estimates of the CSO.

- a) 7.0%
- b) 7.4%
- c) 7.1%
- d) 7.3%
- e) 7.2%

Q.167) In which year National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) was set up-

- a) 1st June 2012
- b) 1st June 2013
- c) 1st June 2014
- d) 1st June 2015
- e) 1st June 2016

Q.168) In the first phase of National Company Law Tribunal, the Ministry of Corporate Affairs has set up eleven Benches, one Principal Bench. The Principal Bench is located in-

- a) Bengaluru
- b) New Delhi
- c) Mumbai
- d) Kolkata
- e) Chennai

Q.169) Who is the current non-executive chairperson of CCIL?

- a) R Sridharan
- b) Usha Thorat
- c) Bhavesh Zaveri
- d) MS Sundara Rajan
- e) Sudhir Joshi

Q.170) Moody's Investors Service has kept the growth forecast for India in the calendar year 2018 unchanged at _____ and for 2019 at _____.

- a) 7.1% and 7.2%
- b) 7.4% and 7.3%
- c) 7.8% and 7.7%
- d) 7.6% and 7.5%
- e) 6.8% and 6.7%

Q.171) The NCLAT has ruled that personal assets of guarantors, who in most cases are promoters, cannot be liquidated in companies facing corporate insolvency resolution process under IBC. In NCLAT "A" stands for _____.

- a) Agreement
- b) Association
- c) Appellate
- d) Agency
- e) Authority

Q.172) Serious Fraud Investigation Office (SFIO) is a fraud investigating agency in India. It has been established and it has started functioning since _____.

- a) 1st October 2007
- b) 1st October 2004
- c) 1st October 2003
- d) 1st October 2012
- e) 1st October 2015

Q.173) Name the organisation, which an umbrella organisation for operating retail payments and settlement systems in India, is an initiative of Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and Indian Banks' Association (IBA).

- a) SBI
- b) FATF
- c) SEBI
- d) NPCI
- e) NACH

Q.174) Who is the current chairperson of NCLAT?

- a) Balvinder Singh
- b) U K Sundara Rajan
- c) Bansilal Bhat
- d) AIS Cheema
- e) Sudhansu Jyoti Mukhopadhyaya

Q.175) NPCI has been incorporated as a _____ Company under the provisions of Section 25 of Companies Act 1956 (now Section 8 of Companies Act 2013).

- a) Not for Credit
- b) Not for Banking
- c) Not for Profit
- d) Not for Loss
- e) Not for Marketing

Q.176) The NCMC is a contactless smart card, a complete set of standards ranging from security key management through to system interfaces. NCMC stands for-

- a) National Common Mobility Commission
- b) National Common Mobility Corporation
- c) National Common Mobility Committee
- d) National Common Mobility Card
- e) National Common Mobility Credit

Q.177) Under which section of the Companies Act, 2013 NCLAT has formed for hearing appeals against the orders of National Company Law Tribunal(s) (NCLT), with effect from 1st June 2016?

- a) Section 415
- b) Section 410
- c) Section 420
- d) Section 402
- e) Section 408

Q.178) What are the advantages of RuPay Card?

- a) Electronic product options to untapped/unexplored consumer segment
- b) Customized product offering
- c) Protection of information related to Indian consumers
- d) Lower cost and affordability
- e) All of the above

Q.179) National Highway Authority of India has mandated implementation of the NETC program for all national highways. NETC stands for-

- a) National Electronic Transport Collection
- b) National Electronic Toll Connector
- c) National Electronic Timing Collection
- d) National Electronic Toll Collection
- e) National Electronic Toll Core

Q.180) Which of the following is the advantages of NCMC?

- a) Interoperability for passengers
- b) Lower cost of ticketing operation
- c) Increased Accountability
- d) All the above
- e) Both b and c

Q.181) To whom the "Sub Prime Lending" is made?

- a) The borrowers who want to take loan against mortgage of tangible assets.
- b) The preferred customers of Bank.
- c) The borrowers with bad credit history.
- d) The borrowers with a good credit history.
- e) None of these

Q.182) What does the letter 'L' denote in the term 'LAF' as referred every now and then in relation to the monetary policy of the RBI?

- a) Liquidity
- b) Liability
- c) Leverage
- d) Longitudinal
- e) Linear

Q.183) Which is the contract/agreement under which an issuing bank at the request of the importer undertakes to make payment to the exporter against certain specified documents?

- a) Bill of exchange
- b) Bill of lading
- c) Bill of entry
- d) Letter of credit
- e) Line of Credit

Q.184) In banking business, when the borrowers avail a term Loan, initially they are given a repayment holiday, and this is referred as:

- a) Amortization
- b) Arbitrage
- c) Moratorium
- d) Diversification
- e) Speculation

Q.185) Net Asset Value is normally used in respect of Schemes floated by

- a) Banks
- b) Mutual funds
- c) Insurance Companies
- d) Merchant banker
- e) None of these

Q.186) RBI extends the deadline to BASEL III Norms to be implemented in India by -

- a) July 31, 2019
- b) August 31, 2019
- c) March 31, 2019
- d) June 30, 2019
- e) May 31, 2019

Q.187) Name the Bank, which has launched India's first payments bank?

- a) Fino Payments Bank Ltd
- b) Paytm Payments Bank
- c) Airtel Payments Bank Ltd
- d) India Post Payments Bank

- e) Reliance Industries
 Q.188) Which of the following Indian state tops in Mobilising Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Accounts?
 a) Maharashtra b) Uttar Pradesh
 c) Chhattisgarh d) Jharkhand
 e) West Bengal
 Q.189) Which small finance bank has received Reserve Bank of India (RBI) approval to operate as a Scheduled Commercial Bank, recently?
 a) Escorts Small Finance Bank
 b) Muthoot Small Finance Bank
 c) Fincare Small Finance Bank
 d) AU Small Finance Bank
 e) Reliance Small Finance Bank
 Q.190) Who is the Secretary General of the Basel Committee?
 a) Wayne Byres b) William Coen
 c) Stefan Ingves d) James Taylor
 e) Martin Coof
 Q.191) ASBA scheme is related to purchase of _____.
 a) Initial Public Offering
 b) Commercial Paper
 c) Certificate Of Deposit
 d) Tax Collected at source
 e) Treasury Bills
 Q.192) When money is lent, or borrowed for a period of more than 14 days, it is known as?
 a) Capital Money b) Notice money
 c) Term money d) Call money
 e) None of these
 Q.193) FIMMDA stands for
 a) Foreign Investment Markets Money and Derivatives Association
 b) Fixed Income Money Markets and Derivatives Association
 c) Fixed Income and Money Market Development Association
 d) Floating Income and Money Markets Derivative Assets
 e) Floating Increment and Money Markets Derivative Assets
 Q.194) EPS in share market stands for?
 a) Earnings per share
 b) Electronic Payment System
 c) Employee Pension Scroll
 d) Equated Payment System
 e) Earners Payment System
 Q.195) ADR is a negotiable certificate of title to a number of shares in a non-US company which are deposited in an overseas bank. Expand ADR.
 a) American Depository Receipt
 b) Accountable Depository Receipt
 c) Accrued Depository Receipt

- d) Auto Depository Receipt
 e) Acquiring Depository Receipt
 Q.196) Under ICAAP requirements a bank needs to have in place internal procedures and processes to ensure that it possesses adequate capital resources in the long term to cover all of its material risks. In ICAAP, "P" stands for _____.
 a) Process b) Property
 c) Product d) Purchase
 e) Payment
 Q.197) _____ accounts are generally held by a 3rd party bank, other than the account maintaining bank or with whom the account is maintained.
 a) VOSTRO Account b) NOSTRO Account
 c) LORO Account d) FCNR Account
 e) None of these
 Q.198) What is the upper limit for the purchase of Kisan Vikas Patra?
 a) Rs. 50000 b) Rs. 75000
 c) Rs. 100000 d) Rs. 150000
 e) No upper Limit
 Q.199) In Senior Citizen Savings Scheme (SCSS) Account, an individual at the age of 60 years or more may open the account in the post office. Maturity Period of that account is _____.
 a) 4 Years b) 10 Years
 c) 11 Years d) 5 Years
 e) 6 Years
 Q.200) Industrial Development Bank of India was established as a wholly owned subsidiary of
 a) Reserve Bank of India
 b) State Bank of India
 c) Industrial Credit and Investment Corporation of India
 d) State Industrial Development Corporations
 e) Small Industrial Development Corporation Bank of India

SIMPLIFICATION:

- Q.1) $(\frac{34}{7} + \frac{17}{14}) \times 28 = \frac{x}{10}$
 a) 1600 b) 1900 c) 1700
 d) 1650 e) None of these
 Q.2) $450 + 789 + 67\% \times 300 = x$
 a) 1540 b) 1230
 c) 1440 d) 1680 e) 1120
 Q.3) $78 \times 300 + 100 \times 24 = x + 75 \times 200$
 a) 6040 b) 5040
 c) 10800 d) 12080 e) 11800
 Q.4) $7845 + 9053 + 1099 + \sqrt{529} = x - 20$
 a) 18040 b) 17000
 c) 19000 d) 21000 e) 15000
 Q.5) $765 + 784.5 + 450.5 = x + 450$
 a) 1650 b) 1500

- c) 1550 d) 1700 e) 1800
 Q.6) $400 + 5050 + 670 + \sqrt{729} = x - 13$
 a) 5160 b) 6150
 c) 6260 d) 6160 e) 6170
 Q.7) $\sqrt{576} + \sqrt[3]{1278} = x^2$
 a) 5 b) 6 c) -6
 d) 36 e) Either b or c
 Q.8) $78 \times 15 + 140 \times 20 + \frac{480}{12} = x$
 a) 4120 b) 3230
 c) 4010 d) 4020 e) 3990
 Q.9) $34 \times 50 + 25 \times 150 + 100 = x + 800$
 a) 4350 b) 4750 c) 4550
 d) 4250 e) None of these
 Q.10) $8398 + 1092 + 594 + 400 = x$
 a) 12848 b) 10484
 c) 11484 d) 9484 e) 12128
 Q.11) $100 + 400 + 500 + 900 + \sqrt[3]{3375} + x = 4000$
 a) 2185 b) 2385
 c) 2475 d) 2085 e) 2175
 Q.12) $9090 \times 2 + 125 \times 100 + 450 + x = 45000$
 a) 18730 b) 18370
 c) 17830 d) 13870 e) 12380
 Q.13) $895.44 + 789.56 + 9839 = x$
 a) 12434 b) 11524
 c) 13244 d) 12354 e) 13450
 Q.14) $456 + 950 + 790 + 68.5 = x$
 a) 2265.5 b) 2275.5
 c) 2274.5 d) 2254.5 e) 2264.5
 Q.15) $60 \times 20 + 40 \times 30 + 40 \times 15 = x$
 a) 2000 b) 4000
 c) 2500 d) 3500 e) 3000
 Q.16) $7485 + 9400 + 1500 = x + 13500$
 a) 5775 b) 4885
 c) 4995 d) 4355 e) 4915
 Q.17) $56\% \text{ of } 200 + 39\% \text{ of } 300 = x - 45\% \text{ of } 400$
 a) 509 b) 529
 c) 429 d) 409 e) 419
 Q.18) $500\% \text{ of } 200 + 50\% \text{ of } 200 + 10\% \text{ of } 200 = x$
 a) 1210 b) 1020
 c) 1220 d) 1120 e) 1230
 Q.19) $80\% \text{ of } 800 + 64\% \text{ of } 300 + 40\% \text{ of } 1250 = x$
 a) 1223 b) 1225
 c) 1330 d) 1332 e) 1335
 Q.20) $680 + 500 + 450 = x + 750$
 a) 770 b) 850
 c) 880 d) 890 e) 780
 Q.21) $\sqrt{361}\% \text{ of } 200 + \sqrt[3]{3375}\% \text{ of } 1000 = x - 20\% \text{ of } 500$
 a) 278 b) 288
 c) 298 d) 308 e) 268
 Q.22) $8495 + 9005 + 4500 = x + 3400$
 a) 9300 b) 10300
 c) 17800 d) 18600 e) 19200
 Q.23) $89 \times 20 + 75 \times 4 + 400 = x$

- a) 2580 b) 2470
 c) 2360 d) 2560 e) 2480
 Q.24) $890+6790+9005+1000 = x$
 a) 17685 b) 16895
 c) 14565 d) 18965 e) 17865
 Q.25) $78 \times 30 + 40\% \text{ of } 3500 + 50 \times 50 = x$
 a) 5350 b) 6530
 c) 8900 d) 6140 e) 6240
 Q.26) $75\% \text{ of } 200 + 39\% \text{ of } 500 + 40\% \text{ of } 300 = x$
 a) 475 b) 375
 c) 425 d) 465 e) 445
 Q.27) $80\% \text{ of } 480 + 52\% \text{ of } 500 = x + 35\% \text{ of } 500$
 a) 459 b) 449
 c) 479 d) 399 e) 469
 Q.28) $8956+8948+9304 = x+14500$
 a) 12708 b) 13608
 c) 11508 d) 12408 e) 11108
 Q.29) $\frac{\sqrt{1089}}{11} + \frac{\sqrt{2304}}{16} + \frac{\sqrt[3]{729}}{3} = 3^x$
 a) 9 b) 3
 c) 2 d) 1 e) 0
 Q.30) $8900 + 6890 + 6500 + \sqrt{14400} = x$
 a) 23410 b) 23120
 c) 21340 d) 22310 e) 22410
 Q.31) $75\% \text{ of } 2500 + 35\% \text{ of } 7000 + 255\% \text{ of } 2000 = x$
 a) 9355 b) 9325
 c) 9265 d) 9465 e) 9425
 Q.32) $800 \times 25 + 1600 + 15\% \text{ of } 400 = x$
 a) 22660 b) 21660
 c) 22560 d) 21560 e) 23540
 Q.33) $47^2 + 28^2 + 11^3 = x$
 a) 4335 b) 4435
 c) 4235 d) 4324 e) 4500
 Q.34) $6700 + 40\% \text{ of } 6800 + 45 \times 20 = x$
 a) 7872 b) 10320
 c) 11430 d) 10120 e) 7782
 Q.35) $\frac{54 \times 39 \times 49 \times 79}{9 \times 13 \times 98} = 79 \times x$
 a) 49 b) 54
 c) 79 d) 9 e) 98
 Q.36) $4500 - 678 + 8900 - 1578 = x + 3420$
 a) 8834 b) 7734
 c) 7474 d) 7724 e) 7234
 Q.37) $56\% \text{ of } 2000 + 27\% \text{ of } 3000 + 45 \times 60 = x$
 a) 4740 b) 4340
 c) 4640 d) 4580 e) 4630
 Q.38) $789 + 908 - 875.5 + 465 = x + 779.5$
 a) 407 b) 509
 c) 527 d) 577 e) 507
 Q.39) $\frac{323}{19} \times \frac{221}{13} \times \frac{272}{16} \times \frac{238}{14} = 17^x$
 a) 17 b) 3
 c) 17^4 d) 4 e) 1
 Q.40) $66.66 + 666.6 + 6.06 + 606.6 + 0.60 = x$
 a) 1356.52 b) 1246.52

- c) 1256.52 d) 1346.52 e) 1256.58
 Q.41) $9800+9093+8909+9580 = 15\% \text{ of } 60000+x$
 a) 38382 b) 28384
 c) 28942 d) 29832 e) 28382
 Q.42) $6500+ 1500+5000+2350 = x+1000$
 a) 13450 b) 14350 c) 12350
 d) 12450 e) None of these
 Q.43) $48\% \text{ of } 600 + 65\% \text{ of } 900 - 55 \times 6 = x$
 a) 563 b) 753
 c) 663 d) 543 e) 533
 Q.44) $650 + 755.5 + \sqrt{3481} - 545.5 = x + 450$
 a) 479 b) 449
 c) 459 d) 469 e) 359
 Q.45) $\frac{4500}{67} \times \frac{134}{900} \times \frac{357}{17} = 3x$
 a) 210 b) 3
 c) 63 d) 70 e) 330
 Q.46) $455.5 + 758 + 905.5 - 45.4 = x + 68.6$
 a) 2017 b) 2010
 c) 2003 d) 2001 e) 2005
 Q.47) $25\% \text{ of } 4000 + 85 \times 2 + 4000 = x$
 a) 5170 b) 5270
 c) 5370 d) 5470 e) 5560
 Q.48) $\frac{34^{\left(\frac{5}{2}+1.5\right)}}{17^{\left(\frac{3}{4}+2.25\right)}} = x$
 a) 262 b) 289
 c) 272 d) 269 e) 294
 Q.49) $58\% \text{ of } 2000 + 36\% \text{ of } 3000 + 78\% \text{ of } 4000 = x$
 a) 5470 b) 5360
 c) 5570 d) 5230 e) 5260
 Q.50) $897+908+458+4983 = x+3049$
 a) 4197 b) 4287
 c) 4377 d) 4187 e) 4097
 Q.51) $30\% \text{ of } 6800 + 28\% \text{ of } 7000 + \frac{496}{16} = x + 45\% \text{ of } 8000$
 a) 531 b) 431
 c) 441 d) 521 e) 511
 Q.52) $4598+938+9304.5 = 4500.5 + x$
 a) 10340 b) 11240
 c) 12330 d) 10240 e) 12030
 Q.53) $65 \times 30 + 150 \times 20 + 39 \times 40 = x + 30$
 a) 6470 b) 6360
 c) 6580 d) 6480 e) 6260
 Q.54) $9384+9340+8230 + x = 45\% \text{ of } 65000$
 a) 2396 b) 2496
 c) 2296 d) 2096 e) 2196
 Q.55) $40\% \text{ of } 6450 + 55\% \text{ of } 7500 + 65\% \text{ of } 2400 = x$
 a) 8365 b) 8465
 c) 8265 d) 8345 e) 8450
 Q.56) $76\% \text{ of } 3000 + 85\% \text{ of } 4000 - 900 = x$
 a) 4790 b) 5780
 c) 4770 d) 5770 e) 4780
 Q.57) $7838-9384+9238-9458 = x-2498$

- a) 842 b) 948
 c) 742 d) 732 e) 752
 Q.58) $45 \times 72 - 89 \times 20 - \sqrt{9801} = x$
 a) 1471 b) 1371
 c) 1281 d) 1361 e) 1461
 Q.59) $88 \times 70 + 99 \times 80 = x + 45\% \text{ of } 10000$
 a) 8590 b) 8870
 c) 9580 d) 9670 e) 9360
 Q.60) $40^3 + 45^2 - 30^3 = x + 39\% \text{ of } 2000$
 a) 37345 b) 38345 c) 37845
 d) 38245 e) None of these
 Q.61) $8934-9834+9348-9054 = x-7873$
 a) 7267 b) 7497
 c) 7347 d) 7487 e) 7357
 Q.62) $15\% \text{ of } 780 + 25\% \text{ of } 980 = x - 35\% \text{ of } 4300$
 a) 1777 b) 1877
 c) 1857 d) 1837 e) 1867
 Q.63) $890 \times 15 - 780 \times 25 + 6788 = x$
 a) 538 b) 638
 c) 528 d) 548 e) 648
 Q.64) $9300 + 2980 + 3892 + 9380 = x + 97^2$
 a) 17143 b) 16243
 c) 15143 d) 15773 e) 16143
 Q.65) $3 \frac{6}{7} + 4 \frac{3}{2} - 6 \frac{4}{3} = x$
 a) $2 \frac{1}{42}$ b) $1 \frac{1}{42}$
 c) $1 \frac{2}{42}$ d) $2 \frac{2}{42}$ e) $1 \frac{3}{42}$
 Q.66) $1 \frac{3}{2} + 4 \frac{5}{4} - 2 \frac{5}{3} = x$
 a) $2 \frac{1}{12}$ b) $3 \frac{1}{12}$ c) $4 \frac{3}{12}$
 d) $4 \frac{1}{12}$ e) None of these
 Q.67) $75\% \text{ of } 4500 + 65\% \text{ of } 7500 - \frac{420}{0.3} = x$
 a) 6750 b) 7850 c) 7750
 d) 6850 e) None of these
 Q.68) $8938 + \frac{340}{0.017} - 4500 = x + \frac{680}{0.17}$
 a) 21338 b) 20438
 c) 25348 d) 23458 e) 19438
 Q.69) $9834 + 92^2 + 4500 = x + 101^2$
 a) 13497 b) 14397
 c) 12597 d) 12497 e) 12347
 Q.70) $\frac{5! \times 7!}{6!} + 4560 + 3400 = x + 45^2$
 a) 7665 b) 6775
 c) 5775 d) 5875 e) 7275
 Q.71) $9239 + 3409 + 9842 + 9734 = x + 23980$
 a) 8948 b) 8334
 c) 8224 d) 8244 e) 8324
 Q.72) $4500 + 5550 + 5000 = x + 3400$
 a) 12550 b) 13550
 c) 11650 d) 12350 e) 13250
 Q.73) $15\% \text{ of } 1000 + 25 \times 200 + \frac{4500}{9} = x$
 a) 5750 b) 5550
 c) 5250 d) 5950 e) 5650
 Q.74) $4 \frac{2}{3} + 2 \frac{2}{9} - 5 \frac{12}{27} = x$
 a) $1 \frac{1}{27}$ b) $1 \frac{4}{9}$
 c) $1 \frac{2}{27}$ d) $\frac{2}{9}$ e) $1 \frac{3}{27}$

- Q.75) $8\frac{4}{5} + 2\frac{4}{2} - 9\frac{12}{10} = x$
 a) 2.6 b) 0.6
 c) 1.6 d) 2.4 e) None of these
- Q.76) $5680 + 3490 + 3049 = x + 6500$
 a) 5629 b) 5319
 c) 5719 d) 4379 e) 5219
- Q.77) 95% of 10000 - 32% of 30000 + $35 \times 20 = x$
 a) 500 b) 400
 c) 300 d) 600 e) 700
- Q.78) $\frac{9100}{70} + \frac{980}{\sqrt{2401}} + \frac{\sqrt{625}}{5} = x$
 a) 145 b) 155
 c) 175 d) 165 e) 150
- Q.79) 30% of 5000 + 40% of 6000 + 10% of 7500 = x
 a) 5650 b) 4650
 c) 4560 d) 5550 e) 6560
- Q.80) $12^2 + 24^2 + 3^2 = 9^x$
 a) 729 b) 2
 c) 9 d) 3 e) None of these
- Q.81) $67 \times 22 + \frac{6700}{25} - 75\% \text{ of } 1000 = x$
 a) 1092 b) 892
 c) 992 d) 1024 e) 924
- Q.82) $6400 - 9090 + 3500 = x - 3480$
 a) 4390 b) 4290
 c) 4490 d) 4340 e) 4440
- Q.83) $\sqrt{1225} + \frac{\sqrt{2304}}{\sqrt{576}} + 20\% \text{ of } 350 = x$
 a) 97 b) 107
 c) 104 d) 94 e) 114
- Q.84) $9000 + 68\% \text{ of } 2000 + \frac{7500}{15} = x$
 a) 10860 b) 11760 c) 10660
 d) 12680 e) None of these
- Q.85) $3500 + 4500 + 6800 - 15000 = x - 3000$
 a) 2600 b) 3800
 c) 3200 d) 2800 e) 3000
- Q.86) 20% of $\frac{1}{5!}$ of 25% of 10! = ?
 a) 1512 b) 1482
 c) 1962 d) 1872 e) 1562
- Q.87) $\sqrt{599 + \sqrt{651 + \sqrt{589 + 30 + \sqrt{36}}}} = ?$
 a) 24 b) 18
 c) 20 d) 25 e) 19
- Q.88) 55% of 7820 - ?% of 6250 = 585 + 60% of 1960
 a) 50 b) 10
 c) 20 d) 30 e) 40
- Q.89) $(203 \div 7) \times (119 \div 7) - (133 \div 7) \times (91 \div 7) = 3 \times ?$
 a) 92 b) 82
 c) 72 d) 52 e) 62
- Q.90) $(0.64 \div 0.8) + 19.2 + (2.7 \div 0.03) = 11 \times ?$
 a) 8 b) 9
 c) 20 d) 10 e) 11
- Q.91) $(161 \div 23)^3 + (203 \div 7)^2 - (892 \div 4) = (?)^2$
 a) 20 b) 26

- c) 33 d) 31 e) 32
- Q.92) $\frac{1}{9} \times \left[1\frac{2}{7} - \left(\frac{3}{7} + \frac{2}{7} \right) - \frac{1}{7} \right] = ?$
 a) 8/21 b) 5/21
 c) 4/21 d) 2/21 e) 1/21
- Q.93) $962 \times 2\frac{1}{5} + 5\frac{1}{5} \div 8\frac{2}{3} = ?$
 a) 2118 b) 2119
 c) 2117 d) 2120 e) 2121
- Q.94) $\frac{\frac{36}{12} - \frac{4}{9}}{\frac{144}{12} + \frac{81}{9}} \times (18 \div 5) = ?$
 a) -1 b) 0
 c) 2 d) 1 e) 3
- Q.95) $\frac{5}{6} \div \frac{6}{7} \times ? - \frac{8}{9} \div 1\frac{3}{5} + \frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{3} = 2\frac{7}{9}$
 a) 8 b) 4
 c) 5 d) 7 e) 6
- Q.96) $\sqrt{13^2 \times 12 \div 5 + (5)^3 + 45.4} = (?)^{\frac{1}{2}}$
 a) 576 b) 625
 c) 729 d) 529 e) 824
- Q.97) $\frac{5}{20} \div \frac{5}{14} \text{ of } \left(2\frac{4}{20} + 2\frac{3}{10} \right) + \frac{1}{10} \div 1\frac{2}{10} - \frac{2}{10} - \frac{2}{60} = ?$
 a) 4 b) 3
 c) 5 d) 6 e) 7
- Q.98) $(1.96)^4 \div (2744 \div 1000)^3 \times (0.14 \times 10)^3 = (1.4)^?$
 a) -1 b) 0
 c) 1 d) 2 e) -2
- Q.99) $\frac{20}{24} \text{ of } 576 \div 60 + (343 \times 2) \div 14 - 49 = ?$
 a) 9 b) 8
 c) 7 d) 6 e) 10
- Q.100) $2 + (54 \div 3) + 8(7 - 4) + 15 = \sqrt[3]{216} + ?$
 a) 55 b) 54
 c) 53 d) 56 e) 57
- Q.101) $\sqrt{576} \times 25 + 19 \times (4)2 - 609 \div 29 = ?$
 a) 720 b) 750
 c) 740 d) 731 e) 700
- Q.102) $32 \times \left\{ \left(\frac{4}{5} \right)^2 \times \left(\frac{5}{7} \right)^2 \times \left(\frac{7}{8} \right)^2 \right\} = ?$
 a) 5 b) 6
 c) 7 d) 8 e) 9
- Q.103) 50% of $\{186 \div 3 \times 30 \div 6 \times 60 \div 12 + (34 \times 64)\} = ?$
 a) 1750 b) 1754
 c) 1863 d) 1850 e) 1650
- Q.104) $4\frac{1}{9} \times 4\frac{1}{2} \div 20\frac{23}{16} \times 1\frac{36}{111} \times 1\frac{3}{4} \times x = 16$
 a) 8 b) 9
 c) 10 d) 11 e) 12
- Q.105) $1\frac{7}{8} + 2\frac{5}{4} + 3\frac{1}{8} - 5\frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{8} \times x^3$
 a) 3 b) 2
 c) 4 d) 5 e) 6
- Q.106) $\frac{5}{11} \text{ of } \frac{2}{17} \text{ of } 3\frac{6}{15} \text{ of } 1\frac{5}{17} \text{ of } x = 1960$
 a) 8550 b) 8440
 c) 8330 d) 8660 e) 8770
- Q.107) $\left(\frac{3}{5} + \frac{2}{7} \right) + \left(\frac{3}{9} + \frac{2}{5} \right) = 5\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{x}{7}$
 a) 5 b) 4
 c) 3 d) 2 e) 6
- Q.108) $2\frac{2}{7} \times 2\frac{3}{6} \times 1\frac{4}{5} \div 12\frac{9}{35} \times 3\frac{2}{3} = \frac{5}{13} \times ?$

- a) 8 b) 9
 c) 7 d) 6 e) 5
- Q.109) $\frac{(82-62)^2}{2^3} + \frac{5}{7} \text{ of } \frac{x}{125} = 60$
 a) 1650 b) 1750
 c) 1850 d) 1900 e) 1800
- Q.110) $2 - \frac{23}{25} \div \frac{115}{125} \div \frac{138}{150} = ? - \frac{2}{23}$
 a) -1 b) 0
 c) 2 d) 3 e) 1
- Q.111) $x = 20\% \text{ of } 400 + 35\% \text{ of } 540 + 40\% \text{ of } 1600 - 20\% \text{ of } 200$
 a) 869 b) 839
 c) 891 d) 849 e) None of these
- Q.112) $24^x = \frac{((3 \times \sqrt{64})^4)^6 \times ((6 \times \sqrt{16})^2)^4}{(\sqrt{576})^8}$
 a) 26 b) 34
 c) 24 d) 28 e) 22
- Q.113) $x = 2\frac{3}{15} + 4\frac{2}{5} + 6\frac{3}{4} + 7\frac{3}{20}$
 a) 14.5 b) 3 0
 c) 12.5 d) 20.5 e) 25
- Q.114) $x = (4^2 + 64 \div 4 - \sqrt[3]{64}) \times (1024)^{\frac{1}{5}}$
 a) 36 b) 64
 c) 112 d) 4 e) 24
- Q.115) $0.7^x = 0.7^{-8} \times 0.7^{-3} \times (0.07 \times 10)^{-2} \times 0.49^{11} \times 0.343^3$
 a) 18 b) 81
 c) 27 d) 49 e) 9
- Q.116) 50% of 400 + 20% of 150 = $\frac{5}{4} ? - 40\% \text{ of } 100 - 80\% \text{ of } 600$
 a) 800 b) 600
 c) 900 d) 950 e) 650
- Q.117) $x = \sqrt{784} \times \sqrt{16} \text{ of } 30\% \text{ of } 50 + 306 \text{ of } 20\% \text{ of } 325 \div \sqrt{81}$
 a) 3480 b) 3780
 c) 3152 d) 3960 e) 3890
- Q.118) $x^2 = 25\% \text{ of } \frac{1}{9} \text{ of } 324 - 8 \div 2 \times \sqrt[3]{27} + \sqrt{196} \times 2$
 a) 9 b) 8
 c) 6 d) 5 e) 7
- Q.119) $\sqrt{930 + \sqrt{931 + \sqrt{850 + \sqrt{2450 + \sqrt{2500}}}}} = x$
 a) 34 b) 35
 c) 31 d) 25 e) None of these
- Q.120) $x = 25\% \text{ of } 244 + 32 \times [25 \times 44 \div 55] - 343 - 7^2$
 a) 346 b) 309
 c) 246 d) 248 e) 348
- Q.121) $(128 \div 8) \times (240 \div (6 \times 20 \div 5)) + 44 \times \frac{13}{1456} \times 112 = 2x$
 a) 302 b) 202
 c) 102 d) 404 e) None of these
- Q.122) $x = \frac{446}{28} \times \frac{224}{35} \times \frac{245}{16} \div 1561 + 45\% \text{ of } 360$
 a) 163 b) 172
 c) 164 d) 148 e) None of these

- Q.123) $\frac{4^2 \times 6^2}{2^3} + \frac{5^4 \times 2^6}{100} + \frac{(6^2 + 4^3)}{10} = x - 110$
 a) 572 b) 592
 c) 582 d) 528 e) None of these
- Q.124) $x^3 = (675) \div (9 \times 15) + \sqrt{484} + (1058 \div 46 + 98)$
 a) 27 b) 81
 c) 9 d) 5 e) None of these
- Q.125) 120% of 950 + 75% of 120 = 75% of 240 + 10x
 a) 161 b) 163
 c) 158 d) 159 e) 105
- Q.126) $(7 \times 3)^2 \times (\sqrt{7})^4 \div (7)^3 - 6 = (5)^2 + x$
 a) 32 b) 20
 c) 19 d) 18 e) 21
- Q.127) $x = 40\% \text{ of } 1200 + \frac{7}{5} \text{ of } 40 - \frac{3}{8} \text{ of } 72 + 60\% \text{ of } 625$
 a) 650 b) 884
 c) 710 d) 670 e) None of these
- Q.128) $x = \frac{(18)^2 - (4)^3 + 10^2}{(3)^2 - (2)^2} + (196 \div 7 \times 38 \div 19)$
 a) 64 b) 74
 c) 128 d) 78 e) 80
- Q.129) 10% of 50 x = $\left(\frac{190}{5}\right) \div \left(\frac{360}{60}\right) \times 240$
 a) 304 b) 344 c) 302
 d) 298 e) None of these
- Q.130) (30% of 740) + x + (15% of 280) = 140% of 340
 a) 335 b) 187 c) 235
 d) 212 e) None of these
- Q.131) $\frac{x}{8} = \frac{32}{4} \text{ of } \sqrt[2]{256} + (15\% \text{ of } 380)$
 a) 1649 b) 1480 c) 8123
 d) 363 e) None of these
- Q.132) $5\frac{1}{3} + \frac{25\% \text{ of } 160}{9} - \frac{7}{9} = x - 15\% \text{ of } 120$
 a) 18 b) 36 c) 32
 d) 27 e) None of these.
- Q.133) $x\% \text{ of } 25 = 12\% \text{ of } 550 + 40\% \text{ of } 80$
 a) 422 b) 346 c) 392
 d) 490 e) None of these
- Q.134) $\sqrt{3550 + \sqrt{2455 + \sqrt{2025}}} = x$
 a) 60 b) 70 c) 80
 d) 50 e) None of these
- Q.135) 45% of 400 + 35% of 440 + 30% of 9000 + $\frac{4}{5}$ of 550 = x
 a) 58150 b) 5770
 c) 5620 d) 5750 e) 3474
- Q.136) $3\frac{2}{12} \text{ of } \frac{2}{16} \text{ of } \frac{3}{15} \text{ of } \frac{4}{19} \text{ of } 1860 = ?$
 a) 31 b) 32
 c) 33 d) 34 e) 35

- Q.137) $2\frac{8}{9} + 4\frac{5}{6} + 5\frac{3}{4} - 9\frac{5}{12} = \frac{1}{9} \text{ of } x$
 a) 35 b) 36.5 c) 34.5
 d) 33.5 e) None of these
- Q.138) $740 \div (10\{7 \times 3 + 2(75 - 4 \times (13 \times 12 \div 6))\}) = 2x$
 a) 1 b) 0
 c) -1 d) 2 e) -2
- Q.139) $\sqrt{0.5 + \sqrt{0.25 + \sqrt{3.82 + \sqrt{0.0324}}} = ?$
 a) 2 b) 3
 c) 4 d) 5 e) $\sqrt{2}$
- Q.140) $\sqrt{3\frac{5}{25} + \sqrt{2\frac{6}{9} - \sqrt{(2 + \frac{7}{9})}} = (?)^2$
 a) 5.6 b) 4.2 c) 7.2
 d) 6.4 e) None of these
- Q.141) $(4\sqrt{3} \times 3\sqrt{12}) \times (2197 \div 169) \times (1\frac{1}{6}) \times \frac{1}{7} = ?$
 a) 140 b) 136
 c) 156 d) 175 e) 196
- Q.142) $\sqrt{\frac{(15+24 \times 0.5)}{\sqrt{10.8 \div ?}}} = 3$
 a) 1 b) 1.5
 c) 2 d) 1.2 e) 2.4
- Q.143) $\frac{3}{7} \text{ of } 329 + \frac{4}{11} \text{ of } 2530 = x^2 + 37$
 a) 16 b) 32 c) 18
 d) 36 e) None of these
- Q.144) $\sqrt{(2 + \frac{1}{144})} \div \sqrt{(1 + \frac{49}{576})} \times \frac{27}{34} = ? \div 25$
 a) 9 b) 18 c) 27
 d) 81 e) None of these
- Q.145) $[(5\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{7}) \times (4\sqrt{7} + 8\sqrt{7})] - (19)^2 = ?$
 a) 143 b) 154
 c) 166 d) 128 e) 165
- Q.146) $\frac{2\frac{1}{3} - \frac{3}{2} \text{ of } \frac{12}{9}}{4\frac{5}{7} \div \frac{1}{7} - (\frac{3}{2} + \frac{2}{2})} = \frac{1}{x}$
 a) 90 b) 87
 c) 91 d) 92 e) 93
- Q.147) $12 - [9\frac{1}{2} + \{7 - (6 - 1\frac{1}{2} + 5)\}] = x$
 a) 7 b) 6
 c) 5 d) 8 e) 9
- Q.148) $\frac{21.5}{5} + \frac{21}{6} - \frac{13.5}{15} = \left[\frac{?}{4}\right] + \frac{9}{10}$
 a) 12564 b) 12865 c) 14664
 d) 13824 e) None of these
- Q.149) $\frac{\frac{3}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{2} \div \frac{1}{8}}{\frac{3}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{2}} = ?$
 a) 2 b) 16
 c) 24 d) 32 e) 8
- Q.150) $10\frac{1}{2} + [8\frac{1}{2} + \{6 - (7 - (6 - 4))\}]$
 a) 10 b) 20

- c) 30 d) 40 e) 35
- Q.151) $\frac{\frac{4}{9} \times \frac{4}{9} - \frac{3}{9} \times \frac{3}{9}}{\frac{4}{9} - \frac{3}{9}} = ?$
 a) 7/9 b) 8/9
 c) 5/9 d) 4/9 e) 2/9
- Q.152) $7\frac{1}{15} + \frac{91}{20} + \frac{85}{12} - \frac{261}{30} = ?$
 a) 8 b) 9
 c) 6 d) 10 e) None of these
- Q.153) $29^2 + 59^2 - ?^2 = 7^3 + 19^2 + 246 + 2^3$
 a) 58 b) 85
 c) 89 d) 105 e) None of these
- Q.154) 25% of 4/5 of 50% of 720 + 4/5 of 6/7 of 350 = ?
 a) 354 b) 312
 c) 289 d) 225 e) 221
- Q.155) 80% of 1320 + 60% of 1960 - 2% of 1000 = ? % of 8400
 a) 25.8 b) 23.6
 c) 26.33 d) 27.8 e) 29.2
- Q.156) $13 \times 15 - 579 \div 3 + ? = 32^2$
 a) 575 b) 634
 c) 765 d) 876 e) None of these
- Q.157) $\frac{1}{2} \text{ of } 20\% \text{ of } \frac{4}{5} \text{ of } 3600 + \frac{1}{4} \text{ of } 65700 = ?$
 a) 16713 b) 19676
 c) 39645 d) 25445 e) 34225
- Q.158) $\sqrt{95 + 26} + \frac{1}{3} \text{ of } \frac{1}{5} \text{ of } 360 = ?$
 a) 23 b) 35
 c) 38 d) 43 e) 54
- Q.159) 40% of 350 + 30% of 720 + 20% of 640 = (?)^2
 a) 20 b) 10
 c) 22 d) 25 e) 18
- Q.160) $\sqrt{0.64} + \frac{1}{3} \text{ of } 2.4 + \frac{1}{5} \text{ of } 2 = ?$
 a) 3 b) 0
 c) 1 d) 2 e) 2.8
- Q.161) $4\frac{1}{2} + \frac{31}{3} + \frac{51}{4} - \frac{21}{3} - \frac{21}{4} - \frac{11}{2} = \frac{?}{12}$
 a) 113 b) 114
 c) 118 d) 116 e) 117
- Q.162) $3.9 \times 1.5 + 25\% \text{ of } 940 + 2.4 \times 1.2 = ?$
 a) 278.86 b) 243.73
 c) 262.73 d) 268.12 e) 262.45
- Q.163) $\left(\frac{80.25}{0.03}\right) + \left(\frac{79.2}{0.9}\right) + \left(\frac{581.25}{0.75}\right) = 1989 + ?$
 a) 1560 b) 1544
 c) 2645 d) 3163 e) 1549
- Q.164) 25% of 500 + 30% of 240 + 35% of $\frac{5}{7}$ of 860 = ?
 a) 241 b) 416
 c) 412 d) 242 e) 254
- Q.165) $\frac{20}{25} \times \frac{30}{72} \times \frac{8}{50} \times 28725 - 1530 = ?$
 a) 1 b) 0

- c) -1 d) 2 e) -2
- Q.166) $7\frac{1}{3} + \frac{40\% \text{ of } 160}{9} - 1\frac{1}{9} = x - 20\% \text{ of } 120$
- a) 37.33 b) 34.55 c) 32.56
- d) 33.67 e) None of these
- Q.167) 25% of $\frac{1}{2}$ of 44 of 350 + 20% of $\frac{1}{4}$ of 640 = ?
- a) 1984 b) 1948
- c) 1996 d) 1957 e) 1956
- Q.168) $\sqrt{112 - \sqrt{992 - \sqrt{991 - \sqrt{180 \times 5}}}} = ?$
- a) 5 b) 6
- c) 9 d) 7 e) 10
- Q.169) 55% of 6520 + 25% of 63500 - x% of 1640 = 19051
- a) 25 b) 21
- c) 22 d) 23 e) 24
- Q.170) $(217 \div 7) \times (154 \div 7) - (119 \div 7) \times (84 \div 7) = 2 \times ?$
- a) 292 b) 239
- c) 272 d) 252 e) 262
- Q.171) $(3.24 \div 0.8) + 19.2 + (8.1 \div 0.03) + \frac{3}{4} = ?$
- a) 320 b) 296
- c) 294 d) 448 e) 325
- Q.172) $\frac{7}{9} \times 11\frac{4}{7} \times ? - \frac{8}{9} \div 1\frac{3}{5} + \frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{3} = \frac{27}{9}$
- a) 1/9 b) 9/184
- c) -1/192 d) 11/162 e) 13/172
- Q.173) $\frac{5}{14} \div \frac{5}{7} \text{ of } (2\frac{3}{10} + 2\frac{3}{5}) + \frac{1}{5} \div \frac{12}{5} = ?$
- a) 11/12 b) 17/19 c) 14/15
- d) 23/15 e) None of these
- Q.174) $640 \times 3\frac{1}{5} + 3\frac{1}{2} \div 2\frac{1}{3} = 3\frac{1}{2} \times ?$
- a) 4099/7 b) 5043/7 c) 6442/7
- d) 5259/7 e) 4356/7
- Q.175) $\frac{\frac{196}{225} - \frac{256}{729}}{\frac{14}{15} + \frac{16}{17}} = \frac{1}{255} \times ?$
- a) -5 b) -3
- c) -2 d) -1 e) None of these
- Q.176) $[(3\frac{1}{2} + 2\frac{1}{3}) \div (4\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{3})] \times 20\% \text{ of } 120 = ?$
- a) 9.67 b) 8.56 c) 9.33
- d) 6.64 e) None of these
- Q.177) $\frac{16}{7} \times \frac{9}{6} \times 1\frac{4}{5} \div 6\frac{9}{7} = 1\frac{4}{5} \times ?$
- a) 8/17 b) 7/16 c) 5/19
- d) 4/21 e) None of these
- Q.178) $5\frac{2}{7} \times 3\frac{1}{2} \times 20\% \text{ of } 465 \text{ of } 140 = 18\frac{1}{2} \times ?$
- a) 21550 b) 13020
- c) 32545 d) 42425 e) 25424
- Q.179) $242 \times \left\{ \left(\frac{9}{11} \right)^2 \left(\frac{12}{14} \right)^2 \left(\frac{7}{9} \right)^2 \right\} = ?$
- a) 64 b) 56
- c) 72 d) 81 e) 42

- Q.180) $24 \div (3\frac{1}{5} + 2\frac{4}{5}) + (3\frac{6}{7} \div 5\frac{2}{5}) + 1 = ?$
- a) 20/7 b) 23/7
- c) 46/7 d) 43/7 e) 40/7
- Q.181) $(\sqrt{196} \times \sqrt{625}) \div (\sqrt[3]{125} \times \sqrt[3]{343}) \times \frac{1}{2} \text{ of } \frac{3}{4} \text{ of } 640 = ?$
- a) 2800 b) 3200
- c) 3600 d) 2400 e) 54
- Q.182) $(3\sqrt{48} + 4\sqrt{108}) \div 6\sqrt{48} \times (4\sqrt{48} \times 3\sqrt{12}) = ?$
- a) 432 b) 486
- c) 492 d) 578 e) 645
- Q.183) 10% of 20% of 30% of 40% of 50% of 60% of 500 = (?)²
- a) 2/5 b) 1/5 c) 3/5
- d) 4/5 e) None of these
- Q.184) $1\frac{2}{3} + 3\frac{4}{5} + 2\frac{5}{6} - 7\frac{1}{2} - 6\frac{2}{3} = ? - \frac{16}{30}$
- a) 6.75 b) -5.33
- c) 0 d) -5.33 e) -6.33
- Q.185) $(\frac{225}{\sqrt{9}} \times \sqrt{625}) \times (\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{5}) = ? - \frac{4}{5}$
- a) 2063.3 b) 2466.7
- c) 5365.78 d) 4678.43 e) 2345.65
- Q.186) $(13.5 \times 2 \times 14) - (3.5 \times 2 \times (1.4 + 3.6)) = (?)^3$
- a) 5 b) 4
- c) 9 d) 7 e) 2
- Q.187) $\sqrt[3]{9261} \times \sqrt[4]{4096} + (?) = (3.25 \times 4)^2$
- a) 6 b) 5
- c) 4 d) 3 e) 1
- Q.188) $\frac{817}{41} \times \frac{3731}{19} \times \frac{703}{43} = 37 \times 91 \times (?)$
- a) 30 b) 29
- c) 19 d) 17 e) 41
- Q.189) $14^3 + (5.5 \times 2 \times 6) = ((1.0 + 0.75) \times 4) \times (?)$
- a) 190 b) 290
- c) 350 d) 400 e) 409
- Q.190) 12.5% of 2120 - (?)² = (31 + 33) × (2)²
- a) 9 b) 12
- c) 36 d) 256 e) 3
- Q.191) $(450 \div \sqrt[3]{5832})^2 = (5 \times 12.5 \times (?))$
- a) 8 b) 10
- c) 12 d) 14 e) 16
- Q.192) 16% of 2460 - (?) = (1.4 × 0.625 × 8)³
- a) 50.6 b) 49.3
- c) 46.12 d) 52.8 e) 50
- Q.193) $9373 \times 9.4 \times 5 = 103 \times (5.875 \times 5 + 17.625) \times (?)$
- a) 70 b) 101
- c) 85 d) 81 e) 91
- Q.194) 16.5% of 6520 + $\frac{1276}{7} = (2.75 \times 4)^3$

- a) 5 b) 7
- c) 2 d) 12 e) 20
- Q.195) $(\frac{420}{12})^2 + \frac{7}{2} = (5.125 \times 800)$
- a) 3000 b) 5750
- c) 2700 d) 2800 e) 3200
- Q.196) $\frac{(2 \times 55.5 \times (\frac{12}{1.5} - 2))^{-3}}{13} + (6.125 \times (1.2 + 0.4) \times ?) = (999.09 \div 99.909) \times 10$
- a) 5 b) 8
- c) 12 d) 20 e) 24
- Q.197) $\sqrt[3]{((\frac{160}{2})^2 + (29.5 \times 2) + (1.25 \times 320))} = ?$
- a) 29 b) 21
- c) 19 d) 17 e) 13
- Q.198) 18.5% of 2640 + $\sqrt{6561} + 0.0033 \div 0.0005 = (?)^2$
- a) 16 b) 18
- c) 14 d) 26 e) 24
- Q.199) 12% of 6420 - (?)% of 1035 = $(1.125 \times (3^2 - 2^2 + 3))^3$
- a) 8 b) 12
- c) 2 d) 6 e) 4
- Q.200) 32% of 7520 + (625)% of (?) - 0.024 = $(\frac{10 \times 10 \times 10 + 10}{2} - 5)^2$
- a) 12.456 b) 24.876
- c) 14.979 d) 17.890 e) 19.34
- Q.201) $\sqrt{\frac{576}{169}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{512}{2197}} + \frac{\sqrt[3]{7}}{12.9 + 0.1} = 3$
- a) 72 b) 64
- c) 36 d) 49 e) 26
- Q.202) $12.75 \times 300 + 21.4 \times 125 + 224 \times 11.5 = (?) \times 2269$
- a) 5 b) 4
- c) 3 d) 7 e) 8
- Q.203) $\sqrt[3]{\sqrt{676} + (20.0025 + 3.9975) + (1.75 \times 8)} = (?)^2$
- a) 6 b) 4
- c) 3 d) 2 e) 1
- Q.204) $8765 + 4487 + (?) = 7654 + 891 + 5987$
- a) 1280 b) 1380
- c) 2160 d) 1189 e) 1980
- Q.205) $11\frac{1}{9} + 7\frac{5}{6} - ? = 5\frac{2}{3} + 2\frac{7}{18}$
- a) $11\frac{1}{9}$ b) $13\frac{2}{3}$ c) $10\frac{8}{9}$
- d) $11\frac{5}{18}$ e) None of these
- Q.206) $69 \times \frac{1}{1.5} + 435 \times (?) = (1204 + 2036) \div 8 + (9^2 - 5)$
- a) 2 b) 15
- c) 25 d) 4 e) 1

- Q.207) $749 \times 23 + 348 \times 12 + 4379 = (?) + 16^2 \times 100$
 a) 178 b) 109
 c) 198 d) 182 e) 118
- Q.208) $52 \times 10387 = (?) \times 47 \times 13$
 a) 820 b) 818
 c) 884 d) 821 e) 819
- Q.209) $321 \times 13 + 17 \times 123 = 19^3 - (?)$
 a) 956 b) 595
 c) 560 d) 558 e) 572
- Q.210) $\frac{18 \times 23 + 27 \times (?)^2}{3} = 2.65 \times 120 + 2.625 \times 8 \times 9$
 a) 21 b) 12
 c) 41 d) 13 e) 60
- Q.211) $3.358 \times 125 + 25 \times 7.85 = (0.4375 \times 16 + 70) \times (?)$
 a) 8 b) 5
 c) 2 d) 9 e) 4
- Q.212) $\left(\frac{83\% \text{ of } 5600}{581} + 0.125 \times 24\right) \times 15 = 5 \times (?)$
 a) 36 b) 77
 c) 33 d) 31 e) 26
- Q.213) $\frac{\sqrt{225} + (29)^2}{2} = 26.75 \times 8 \times (?)$
 a) 3 b) 2
 c) 8 d) 7 e) 9
- Q.214) $\frac{3}{17} + \frac{5}{23} + \frac{2}{27} = \frac{?}{10557}$
 a) 4940 b) 4850
 c) 4910 d) 5610 e) 4380
- Q.215) $895 + 202.3 - 654.25 = 3.125\% \text{ of } (?) + (14.35 \times 3)$
 a) 12900 b) 22800
 c) 12210 d) 22180 e) 12800
- Q.216) $\sqrt{6724} \times 1.5 - \sqrt{12321} \times \frac{7}{2} + 29^2 - 1 = (?)$
 a) 564.5 b) 574.5
 c) 546.5 d) 585.5 e) 486.5
- Q.217) $(?) = 52^2 + 3 \times 2 + 4000 \div 2 \text{ of } 25\% \text{ of } 1600$
 a) 2155 b) 2715
 c) 2615 d) 2705 e) 2805
- Q.218) $(?) = (69.3 \times 15.2) + (4.5 \times 18.5) + (7.25 \times 44)$
 a) 1355.61 b) 1445.61
 c) 1455.61 d) 1545.61 e) 1544.61
- Q.219) $25\% \text{ of } 534 + \frac{7}{19 \times 13} \text{ of } 247 + (?) \% \text{ of } 250 = 762 \times 1.25$
 a) 132.3 b) 342.5
 c) 324.8 d) 231.4 e) 320.9
- Q.220) $1241 \times 5 + 326 \times 8 = (?) \times 10 - (3.4 \times 5)$
 a) 832 b) 830

- c) 822 d) 883 e) 809
- Q.221) $\frac{17 \times 35 + 69 \times 19 - 6}{5} = 16^2 + (?)$
 a) 134 b) 144
 c) 138 d) 128 e) 124
- Q.222) $\frac{95 \times 97 - 57 \times 23 - 78 \times 36}{4} = 159.25 \times (?)$
 a) 8 b) 9
 c) 4 d) 7 e) 6
- Q.223) $\sqrt{6724} \times 0.25 + (?) \times 63 = 14.375 \times 8$
 a) 1.4 b) 1.5
 c) 1.6 d) 1.8 e) 2.1
- Q.224) $\sqrt[3]{10648} + \sqrt[3]{3375} = \sqrt{?}$
 a) 1525 b) 1630
 c) 1635 d) 1640 e) 1369
- Q.225) $80\% \text{ of } 160 + (2.125 \times 128) = (?)^2$
 a) 29 b) 20
 c) 42 d) 26 e) 400
- Q.226) $7646 + 39.847 + 0.383 + 3841.3 + 4681.47 + 791 = (?) \times (2.125 \times 4)$
 a) 1000 b) 2000
 c) 3000 d) 4000 e) 2400
- Q.227) $198.89 + 32.87 = (?) - 173.98 - 263.9 - 30.36$
 a) 170 b) 180
 c) 700 d) 190 e) 600
- Q.228) $(8.5 \times 126 + 2.3 \times 130) = 342.5 \times (?)$
 a) 4 b) 5
 c) 8 d) 7 e) 6
- Q.229) $(13.9)^2 + (16)^2 = (?) + (14.9)^2$
 a) 227.0 b) 227.2
 c) 267.2 d) 129.8 e) 227.8
- Q.230) $(27\% \text{ of } 1450) - (?) + (37\% \text{ of } 1850) = 45\% \text{ of } 2040$
 a) 120 b) 124
 c) 143 d) 158 e) 118
- Q.231) $98 \times 17 + 52 \times 19 + 32 \times 18 = 50 \times (?) - (2.65 \times 2400)$
 a) 110.7 b) 125.9
 c) 191.8 d) 150.8 e) 190.8
- Q.232) $487 + 56.5 + 546 + 5645.5 + 545.56 + (?) = 7300$
 a) 17.32 b) 16.88
 c) 17.88 d) 18.20 e) 19.44
- Q.233) $\frac{13}{17} \times 833 + \left(\frac{16}{15} \div \frac{1536}{1440}\right) \times 3 = (?)$
 a) 640 b) 630
 c) 650 d) 648 e) 687
- Q.234) $(135)^2 - 25 \times ? = (109)^2 + 34 \times 36$
 a) 206.4 b) 204.8
 c) 198.5 d) 179.1 e) 210.2
- Q.235) $621 \times 2 + 32 \times 12 + 38 \times 11 = (?)$
 a) 1250 b) 1480

- c) 980 d) 1160 e) 2044
- Q.236) $\frac{\sqrt{1296}}{4.5 \times 2 \times 2} + (2 \times 0.35) + (0.15 \times 2) + (11.5)^2 + (11.25 \times 15) = (?)$
 a) 305 b) 314
 c) 204 d) 304 e) 324
- Q.237) $34\% \text{ of } 1250 + 92\% \text{ of } 1425 - (?) = (0.75 \times 8 \times 2)^3$
 a) 12 b) 10
 c) 8 d) 14 e) 16
- Q.238) $\frac{247}{19} \times \left(14.5\% \text{ of } 1800 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{81}}\right) + (6.25 \times 32) = .(?)^3$
 a) 9 b) 13
 c) 10 d) 12 e) 11
- Q.239) $\frac{52\% \text{ of } 2650 + 2 \times 2^3 + 2^2}{0.12 \times 24 + 0.12} = (?) \times \frac{4^2}{2^3}$
 a) 233 b) 466
 c) 456 d) 566 e) 656
- Q.240) $4^{\frac{6}{5}} - 2 + 3^{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{3}{10} \times 3^{0.35 \times 12 + (0.025 \times 32)} = 12 \times (?)^2$
 a) 100 b) 16
 c) 81 d) 24 e) 36
- Q.241) $(13^2 - 4^3) \times 1.25 + (14^2 - 5^3) \times 2.25 = (?)$
 a) 180 b) 189
 c) 271 d) 291 e) 280
- Q.242) $\sqrt{10609} + (18.2 \times 5) + 2.5\% \text{ of } 80 = (?)^2$
 a) 14 b) 15
 c) 24 d) 21 e) 17
- Q.243) $(?) + \frac{2881}{43} + \frac{8633}{89} + \frac{1853}{109} = (18.6\% \text{ of } 1500)$
 a) 100 b) 108
 c) 92 d) 102 e) 98
- Q.244) $\sqrt[3]{4913} \times 3.5 + \sqrt{361} \times (?) = 107$
 a) 0.5 b) 1.5
 c) 2.5 d) 5 e) 7.5
- Q.245) $\frac{4032}{87} \times \frac{1305}{?} \times \frac{1071}{63} = 6720$
 a) 190 b) 140
 c) 122 d) 153 e) 173
- Q.246) $\frac{54 \times 63 - 26 \times 23}{2} = (87.625 \times 8 \times (?)^2)$
 a) 2 b) 4
 c) 6 d) 8 e) 10
- Q.247) $\sqrt{5184} + 26^3 + 352 = 6 \times (?)$
 a) 2000 b) 3000
 c) 4500 d) 1700 e) 1800
- Q.248) $\frac{17024}{896} \times \frac{31848}{2654} + 72 = 0.125 \times (?)$
 a) 2300 b) 2800
 c) 3000 d) 2400 e) 5400
- Q.249) $38.26 \times 12 + 68.24 \times 2.5 = 0.365 \times 1200 + (?)$

- a) 199.12 b) 189.39
 c) 121.12 d) 191.72 e) 120.35
 Q.250) 12% of 3654 + 34% of 4820 = (?) +
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 a) 2200 b) 1920
 c) 2100 d) 2010 e) 2000

CURRENT AFFAIRS QUIZ

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