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15th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas to be held in Varanasi:

- The **2019 Pravasi Bharatiya Divas** will be held in the holy city of **Varanasi in January**. The announcement was made the Indian Embassy's **Minister of Community Affairs Anurag Kumar**.
- Pravasi Bharatiya Divas is celebrated in India on 9 January each year.
- The 2019 Pravasi Bharatiya Divas would be inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his Mauritian counterpart **Pravind Jugnauth**.
- The theme of the 2019 Pravasi Bharatiya Divas will be "**Role of Indian Diaspora in building a New India**". The event will be jointly organised by the **Union Ministry of External Affairs in association with the Uttar Pradesh government**.

Ministry of Railway & Rail Vikas Nigam Limited Sign MoU:

- The Annual Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between **Ministry of Railway & Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL)** regarding financial & non financial targets for the company. The target for revenue from operations for RVNL has been set of **Rs 7600 Cr** for the FY 2018-19.
- **Shri Ranjanesh Sahai**, Secretary, Railway Board & **Shri S.C. Agnihotri**, Chairman & Managing Director, RVNL signed the MoU in Rail Bhavan.

Uber signs with NASA for 'flying car'

- **Uber Technologies Inc.** announced a partnership to study urban manned aircraft in conjunction with the **US space agency NASA**, following a partnership last year that focused on unmanned drones.
- As part of the deal, Uber will share its data with the **National Aeronautics and Space Administration** to move the world closer to developing air traffic management systems for a world with flying cars.
- Uber has set a goal of testing these electric flying vehicles by 2020 and a commercial launch in 2023.

NSIC Inks MoU with MSME Ministry for FY 2018-19

- The **National Small Industries Corporation Limited (NSIC)** signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with

Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) for the year 2018-19.

- The MoU was signed by **Ravindra Nath, CMD, NSIC** with **Dr. A.K. Panda, Secretary, MSME, Government of India**. Under the scheme of National SC-ST Hub, being implemented by NSIC on behalf of the Ministry

- **NSIC also plans to enhance** its activities in the areas of imparting entrepreneurship and skill development training by targeting 15 percent growth in the number of trainees.

Swachh Bharat Mission Launches GOBAR-DHAN Scheme:

- Union Minister for Drinking Water and Sanitation, **Uma Bharti**, has launched the **Gobardhan scheme from Haryana's Karnal district**.
- It has been launched with an aim to positively contribute to cleanliness and generate energy from solid waste.
- The abbreviation of GOBAR is **Galvanizing Organic Bio-Agro Resources**. This scheme is described as a component of the **Open Defecation Free-plus strategy** across the country.
- The scheme focuses on managing and converting cattle dung and solid waste from farms and fields to **useful compost, biogas and bio-CNG**.
- The scheme **will help in keeping villages clean**, generate energy and in increasing the income of farmers.

Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' organised Kisan Kalyan Karyashala:

- In a massive, countrywide farmer outreach exercise, the central government has organized block level **Kisan Kalyan Karyashala**.
- Under Kisan Kalyan Karyashala, farmers from each block will gather to interact with agriculture officers, scientists and progressive farmers to **discuss ways to increase their income through adoption of new technology**.
- The minister **Radha Mohan Singh** highlighted the need for implementation of National Agricultural Markets and **e-platforms (e-NAM)** to eliminate shortcomings of all the 585 centers and introduction of crop insurance scheme at a lower cost.
- For adoption of risk management and sustainable practices, **Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY), Paramparagat Krishi**

Vikas Yojana (PKVY) and organic farming mission for north east are being implemented.

- The occasion will also provide an opportunity to **create awareness of various central government programmes**.

14 Indian Cities Figure In World's 20 Most Polluted Cities List: WHO

- **Delhi and Varanasi** are among the 14 Indian cities that figure in a list of **20 most polluted cities in the world in terms of PM2.5 levels (Particulate Matter) in 2016**.
- In terms of **PM10 levels, 13 cities** in India figure among the 20 most polluted cities of the world in 2016.
- Nine out of 10 people in the world breathe air containing high levels of pollutants. The data was released by **World Health Organisation**.
- WHO's global urban air pollution database measured the levels of fine particulate matter (PM10 and PM2.5) from more than 4,300 cities in 108 countries, according to which ambient air pollution alone caused some 4.2 million deaths in 2016.

India, World Bank sign USD 200 million loan agreement for NNM:

- **The Government of India** signed a loan deal worth **USD 200 million** with the World Bank for the **National Nutrition Mission (POSHAN Abhiyaan)**. The loan approved will support the first phase scale up to 315 districts across all states and union territories (UTs)
- The **POSHAN Abhiyaan** was launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in March this year at **Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan**.
- It aims in improving the coverage and quality of ICDS nutrition services to pregnant and lactating women and children under **3 years of age**.

World Bank

- President: **Jim Yong Kim**
 - Headquarters: **Washington, D.C., United States**
 - CEO: **Kristalina Georgieva**
- ###### NITI Aayog and Google sign SoI to help grow AI ecosystem in India
- **NITI Aayog and Google** have come together to work on a range of initiatives to help build the **AI ecosystem across the country**.
 - It aims to foster growth for India's nascent **artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML) ecosystem**.

• A Statement of Intent (SoI) was signed to this effect by **Ms. Anna Roy**, Advisor, NITI Aayog and **Shri Rajan Anandan**, Vice President, India and South East Asia, Google.

• NITI's partnership with Google will start massive training initiatives, support startups and encourage AI research through PhD scholarships, all of which contributes to the larger idea of a technologically-empowered New India.

NITI Aayog ties up with IBM to develop crop yield prediction model

• **NITI Aayog and IBM signed a Statement of Intent (SoI)** to develop a crop yield prediction model using **Artificial Intelligence (AI)** to provide real time advisory to farmers in Aspirational Districts.

• The SoI was signed in the presence of **Shri Amitabh Kant, CEO, NITI Aayog and Shri Karan Bajwa, MD, IBM India.**

• The partnership aims to work together towards use of technology to provide insights to farmers to improve crop productivity, soil yield, control agricultural inputs with the overarching goal of improving farmers' incomes.

NITI Aayog

• Headquarters: **New Delhi**

Chairperson: Narendra ModiCabinet approves continuation of PMSSY:

• In a major boost to expansion of health care infrastructure in the country, the Union Cabinet has approved the continuation of the **Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY) beyond 12th Five Year Plan to 2019-20.**

• The financial outlay for this purpose is **Rs 14,832 crore.**

• Under this scheme, new All India Institute of Medical Science are established and the government medical colleges are upgraded.

• The PMSSY, which is a central sector scheme, aims at correcting the imbalances in the availability of **affordable tertiary health care facilities** in different parts of the country and providing **medical education** in the under-served states in particular.

India among top 5 biggest defence spenders

• India has emerged as one of the **five biggest military spenders in 2017** by surpassing France.

• The report was produced by **Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI).**

• With an expenditure of **USD 63.9 billion** on military in 2017, India marked a **5.5 per cent rise** from the figures in 2016.

• China made the biggest leap with an increase of 5.6 per cent (USD 12 billion) from 2016, and became the highest defence spender in Asia at USD 228 billion.

• The United States retained the top spot at USD 610 billion, with unchanged military expenditure between 2016 and 2017. Saudi Arabia emerged as the third biggest spender in

2017 at USD 69.4 billion, an increase of 9.2 per cent from 2016.

National Conference of 244 Districts under Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP):

• **Women and Child Development Ministry** will hold National Conference of 244 Districts under **Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, BBBP**, in New Delhi.

• The Conference will provide an opportunity for experience sharing and will motivate the new districts to plan and execute the programme successfully. Prime Minister Narendra Modi had announced the All India expansion of BBBP scheme **in 640 districts across the country.**

• **Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao** is a personal campaign of the Government of India that aims to generate awareness and improve the efficiency of **welfare services intended for girls.** The scheme was launched with an initial funding of **Rs.100 crore.**

North Eastern cultural and information centre to be set up in Delhi:

• **A North-eastern cultural and information centre**, showcasing the vibrant culture of the region, will come up in **Delhi** soon.

• It was announced by Union minister of Development of North Eastern Region (Independent Charge) **Jitendra Singh.** It is being built on 1.32 acre land in Dwarka and will act as a cultural convention and information hub of the region in Delhi.

• The project is expected to be completed soon at an estimated cost of **Rs 50-55 crore** and it will be one of its kind in the country and will be a state-of-the-art project.

Cabinet Approves Accession To Protocol Under WHO Framework Convention:

• The union cabinet has given approval for India to agree to the protocol under **World Health Organization Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (WHO FCTC)** to eliminate illicit trade in tobacco products.

• This will be applicable to both smoking and chewing or smokeless tobacco (SLT) forms as negotiated and adopted under **Article 15 of the WHO FCTC.**

• The objective of FCTC is to provide a framework for supply and demand reduction measures for tobacco control at the national, regional and global levels.

HRD Ministry launches major initiative: SWAYAM platform

• Human Resource Development Ministry has launched a major and unique initiative of online professional development for 1.5 million higher education faculty using the **Massive Open Online Courses (MOOC) platform SWAYAM.**

• In the first phase, 75 discipline-specific **National Resource Centres (NRCs)** have been identified.

• Under the initiative, all in-service teachers, irrespective of their subject and seniority will have an enabling opportunity to keep abreast of the latest developments in their disciplines through the online refresher course.

HRD Ministry

• Cabinet Minister: **Prakash Javadekar**

• Constituency: **Madhya Pradesh, Rajya Sabha**

'Vibrant North East 2018' Held In Guwahati:

• The **'Vibrant North East 2018'**, an event in which people would be made aware of central government's schemes and programmes.

• This will be the **fourth edition of the 'Vibrant North East' expo in Guwahati, Assam.**

• The main purpose of the event is to disseminate information about the schemes, grants and projects of the Central Government to ensure that they are implemented as expected officially. There is a lack of awareness about such schemes and projects among the farmers and other stakeholders of the North East.

• It is organised by Delhi-based NGO, **Centre for Agriculture and Rural Development (CARD).**

Dhadkan mobile app was launched to monitor health of heart patients:

• **A mobile application — 'Dhadkan'** has been launched for **monitoring the health of people** suffering from heart ailments and provide them with medical assistance in case of emergency. It was developed by Students at **IIT Roorkee.** It can automatically send notification to both the doctor and the patient, in case of any drastic changes in patient's health data indicating the possibility of an imminent heart attack.

• The app is available for free and no charges are involved to avail the benefits.

Labour ministry: New Pensioners can use passbook using Umang app

• Pensioners would now be able to view their pension passbook on mobile phones with the help of **Umang app.** The **retirement fund body EPFO** has announced the launch of a facility to extend the special service to pensioners.

• Umang app is a common platform for services such as **gas booking, Aadhaar, crop insurance, EPF and National Pension System.**

• The introduction of this facility is part of EPFO's plan to go paperless by August this year and provide all services online.

• The app is available for free and no charges are involved to avail the benefits.

Labour ministry

• Cabinet Minister(Independent Charge): **Santosh Kumar Gangwar**

EPFO

• Headquarters: **New Delhi**

• CEO: **V. P. Joy**

Union cabinet increases investment limit to Rs.15 Lakh under PMVVY:

- The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has approved extending the **investment limit from Rs 7.5 lakh to Rs 15 lakh** under the **Pradhan Mantri Vaya Vandana Yojana (PMVVY)**.
- The cabinet also extended the last date for subscription to the scheme till **March 31, 2020**. It will enable up to **Rs 10,000 pension per month for senior citizens**.
- The PMVVY is being implemented through **Life Insurance Corp (LIC)** to provide social security during old age and protect the elderly aged 60 years and above against a future fall in their interest income due to uncertain market conditions.
- The scheme provides an assured pension based on a guaranteed rate of return of **8 per cent per annum for 10 years**.

Government Announces Project To Strengthen Namami Gange Programme

- **National Mission for Clean Ganga** has brought on board Survey of India to facilitate the Ganga rejuvenation task by using **Geographic Information System (GIS) technology**.
- The project which has been approved at an estimated cost of **Rs. 86.84 crore**.
- The project includes use of **Digital Elevation Model (DEM)** technology which ensures accurate data collection, an important aspect for river basin management planning.
- National Mission for Clean Ganga has approved a project to strengthen **State Pollution Control Boards (SPCBs)** of five main stem Ganga basin states of Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal.

Google grants fund for teacher training and educational content creation in India:

- Google.org offers **\$3 mn in grants to 2 Indian non-profit organisations** has made an additional grant of USD 3 million to two Indian non-profit organisations, taking its total commitment to USD 11.4 million in the country.
 - These grants are part of Google's global commitment of **USD 50 million**.
 - Of the USD 3 million, **USD 2 million** will go to **Central Square Foundation (CSF)** and **USD 1 million** to **The Teacher App**.
 - With a grant of a USD 1 million, The Teacher App aims to empower teachers with the right training and resources on concepts of math, science, language, and pedagogy, for a more holistic learning experience.
 - Google.org Education Lead: **Nick Cain**
- 157th Birth Anniversary Of Rabindranath Tagor: Cultural Festival In Egypt
- India is organising a five-day cultural festival in Egypt to commemorate the **157th birth anniversary of Nobel laureate Rabindranath Tagore**.

• An exhibition on the paintings of Tagore titled **'Rabindranath Tagore: Rhythm in Colours'** and was inaugurated by India's Ambassador to Egypt Sanjay Bhattacharyya at Ahmed Shawki museum in Giza – originally the house of famous poet Ahmed Shawki.

- The festival is being organised by the **Maulana Azad Centre for Indian Culture (MACIC)**, the cultural wing of the Indian Embassy in Cairo.

Social Justice Ministry to organise 'Cochlear Implant Awareness Programme'

- A **'Cochlear Implant Awareness Programme'** is being organized by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment in association with Indian Red Cross Society and Sarvodaya Hospital & Research Centre.
- It was held at **Huda Convention Centre, Sector-12, Faridabad (Haryana)**. Cochlear Implant is a modern technology **to help young children who have severe to profound deafness in both ears**.

• The event named **Swar Swagtam** is of great importance for creating awareness among the public about the Cochlear Implant Programme under ADIP Scheme of the Department.

First Apex Conference for CEOs of Smart Cities held in Bhopal:

- The two-day conference **'First Apex Conference for the Cities have been announced as smart cities'** so far under the mission **EOs of Smart Cities'** will be held in Bhopal. This is the first such conference after the launch of **Smart Cities Mission** on **June 25, 2015**.
- Union Minister of State with Independent Charge in the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs **Hardeep Singh Puri** will inaugurate the first of its kind conference of the CEOs of the 'Smart Cities'.
- It aims for **cross-sharing of knowledge** among the cities, the housing and urban affairs ministry.
- As many as **99** . Each city would get **Rs 500 crore as central assistance** for implementation of the projects.

BRO celebrates 58th Raising Day:

- The **Border Roads Organisation (BRO)**, a leader in infrastructure development in the border areas of the country, has celebrated its **58th Raising Day on May 7**.
- The BRO was established in **1960** with 2 projects and now it has grown with 19 projects.
- The works executed have ensured the territorial integrity and the socio-economic upliftment of the most inaccessible regions of the country as well as India's neighbourhood.
- The Border Roads Organisation develops and maintains road networks in India's border areas and friendly neighbouring countries.

BRO

- Director General: **Lt. Gen.Harpal Singh**
- Headquarters: **New Delhi**
- Motto: **Creates, Connects and Cares...**, **'Shramena Sarvam Sadhyam'**

Delhi to host six day festival of Bharat:

- National capital Delhi will host a **six-day-long Festival of Bharat between May 9 and May 14** as a 21st century tribute to the majesty and depth of India's civilization.
- The event will be held at the Scheduled between 9th May and 14th May at the **Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA)**.
- Scholars, Grammy award winning artistes, rising new stars and prominent public figures will attend the Fest. Grammy Award winner in 2016, Vishwa Mohan Bhatt participates in the meet.

Patanjali ranked most trusted FMCG brand in India

- Patanjali Ayurved Limited has been ranked as India's most trusted Fast Moving Consumer Goods (FMCG) brand in the TRA's Brand Trust Report 2018.
- The Patanjali Ayurved Limited was established in 2006 by Ramdev, along with Acharya Balkrishna, with the objective of establishing a science of Ayurveda in accordance and coordination with the latest technology and ancient wisdom.
- The company had reported a turnover of Rs 10,561 crore in FY 2016-17.

Patanjali Ayurved Limited

- Headquarters: **India, Fatehgarh, Uttarakhand**

15th Finance Commission constitutes an Advisory Council:

- The **Fifteenth Finance Commission** has constituted an **Advisory Council to advise and assist the Commission**.
- The role and functions of the Advisory Council will be to advise the Commission on any issue or subject related to the **Terms of Reference (ToR)** of the Commission.
- It helps in broadening the Commission's ambit and understanding to seek best national and international practices on matters pertaining to fiscal devolution and improving the quality and reach and enforcement of its recommendations.
- The Finance Commission had so far made the 1971 Census as the basis to decide the transfer of tax money to the states. The government has directed the 15th Finance Commission to use the **2011 Census figures** for purposes of devolution of taxes to the states.

Ravi Shankar Prasad Launches Website of Digital India Internship Scheme:

- In an effort to **enhance skills of the youngsters**, the Ministry of Electronics and Information technology (MeitY) has launched the **'Digital India Internship Scheme'** which will offer **₹10,000 per month** as stipend to interns.

- The portal will facilitate students to apply online for internship and its aim is to provide an opportunity to secure first hand and practical work experience under the guidance of a mentor.
- The internship scheme will enable the young students to learn closely about the initiative of Digital India.

Ministry of Electronics and Information technology (MeitY)

- Cabinet Minister: **Ravi Shankar Prasad**
- Constituency: **Bihar, Rajya Sabha**

TRAI Releases Draft for Telecom Interconnection Regulations:

- The **Indian telecom regulator TRAI** has released the draft amendment of telecommunication interconnection.
- It has set time-frame for provisioning of ports for initial interconnection and augmentation to be increased to a **maximum 42 working days**.
- The draft said a service provider may request the other service provider for additional ports at a **Point of Interconnection (POI)**, if the projected utilization of the capacity of such POI at the end of 60 days from the date of placing the request, is likely to be more than 85 per cent

Ram Nath Kovind becomes second president to visit Siachen base camp:

- President **Ram Nath Kovind** flew to the **world's highest battle field** to address soldiers posted at the **Siachen glacier**, also referred to as the "**Third Pole**" where temperatures can dip to **minus 50 degrees Celsius**.
- Kovind is the second president to visit the camp after the **President APJ Abdul Kalam** flew there in **2004**.
- He was accompanied by Army Chief General **Bipin Rawat** and Lieutenant general **D Anbu**, who heads the army's Northern Command.

Government Approves Green License Plates for E-Vehicles:

- **To promote electric vehicles in India**, the government has approved **green license plates** bearing numbers in **white fonts** for private e-vehicles and **yellow** for taxis, said by Union Minister **Nitin Gadkari**.
- The measure is aimed **at promoting vehicle's use** and the government is considering **an exemption from permits** for such vehicles.
- **Union Minister for Civil Aviation Suresh Prabhu inaugurates 6th US-India Aviation Summit:**
- **6th US-India Aviation Summit** was inaugurated by Union Minister for Civil Aviation, **Suresh Prabhu** in **Mumbai**.
- The Summit is jointly organised by **Ministry of Civil Aviation** and **US Trade and Development Agency (USTDA)**.
- The three-day Summit **will promote high-level dialogue** on bilateral aviation issues and will provide a forum **to identify solutions** that

support the rapid growth of India's aviation sector.

- As the world's **ninth largest aviation market**, valued at **16 billion dollars per year**, India's civil aviation sector maintains a high growth trajectory, poised to be the third largest market globally **by 2020** and, potentially, the largest by 2030.

India's clean energy capacity touches 70 GW: MNRE

- Ministry of **New and Renewable Energy R K Singh** said India's installed clean energy capacity has already touched **70 GW** and 38 GW is under implementation as per the data compiled **till March 31, 2018**.
- India is progressing fast in the areas of renewable energy and government is committed to meeting target of having 175 GW by 2022.
- **New committee to be formed to review conduct of everyday business in Rajya Sabha:**

- The **Chairman of Rajya Sabha Venkaiah Naidu** has constituted a 2-member committee **to review rules of procedure and conduct of business in the House**, particularly those provisions which seem to be inadequate and are not as specific as compared to the rules in Lok Sabha and suggest suitable amendments.
- The committee will be **headed by** former Secretary General of the Rajya Sabha, **Dr V. K. Agnihotri**, with retired Joint Secretary and Legislative Counsel, Ministry of Law and Justice to be the other member.

Indian Army's 'Vijay Prahar' Exercise Concludes:

- The Indian Army's '**Vijay Prahar**' exercise in which over 25,000 troops of strike formation of **South Western Command (SWC)** participated concluded.
- The month-long exercise was conducted in the Mahajan Field Firing Ranges of Jaipur close to **Suratgarh in Rajasthan**.

India's longest road-rail bridge to be inaugurated by PM Modi this year:

- In a major boost to defence logistics along the border with China, **India's longest road and railway bridge** named "**Bogibeel Bridge**" connecting **Dibrugarh in Assam to Pasighat in Arunachal Pradesh** is likely to be inaugurated later this year by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- The bridge, which is the **second longest in Asia**, has three lane roads on top and double line rail below.
- The bridge is **32 metres above the water level** of the Brahmaputra and is fashioned on a bridge that **links Sweden and Denmark**.

Parliamentary panel to look into black money recovery, performance of public sector banks:

- A parliamentary panel headed by veteran BJP leader **Murali Manohar Joshi** decided to study

the **recovery of black money and performance of public sector banks among a host of subjects**.

- The **30-member Estimates Committee**, in a meeting, decided to study a host of subjects related to various ministries in the year **2018-19**.
- As per the memorandum of the committee, the panel will also look into the **import of uranium for nuclear plants, mining activities** and environment, upgrading of India Post offices and the drought situation in the country among other matters.

Customs and Postal Department hold First ever Joint Conference to deliberate on streamlining imports and exports by post:

- **Indian Customs** and **Department of India Posts** held a First ever Joint Conference at **Vigyan Bhavan in New Delhi**.
- To cater to the SMEs and to boost the Make in India program, Customs Department proposes new simplified procedures for exports and imports through India Post.

- Commissioners of Customs from all the States having **Foreign Post Offices (FPOs)** were present along with their counterpart Post Master Generals.

- Imports and exports by post are the **6th highest cited citizen grievances** under **CPGRAMs**.

Government departments earmark Rs 16,500 crore for Swachh Bharat Mission in 2018-19:

- A sum of **Rs 16,500 crore** has been earmarked by 71 ministries and departments of the central government for implementation of the **Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) in 2018-19**.
- The **Swachhata Action Plan (SAP) 2018-19** was launched by Cabinet Secretary **P K Sinha**.

Army finalises Rs 15,000 crore ammunition production project

- Army has finalised a mega **15,000 crore rupees project** under which a range of ammunition for its critical weapons and tanks will be produced indigenously.
- The immediate aim of the project is to create an inventory for all major weapons to enable the forces to fight a 30-day war while the long-term objective is to cut dependence on imports.
- Army have set a specific target for the next 10 years in terms of the volume of ammunition to be produced. The implementation of project is being monitored by the top brass of the **Army and the Defence Ministry**.

- Present Chief of Army Staff – **General Bipin Rawat**

- First Indian Commander-in-Chief of the Indian Army – **KM Cariappa**

Delhi Metro Magenta Line to have India's tallest escalator at Janakpuri West station

- The **Janakpuri West** metro station of the Delhi Metro network will sport the nation's tallest escalator

• According to a **Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC)** spokesperson, the escalators installed at Delhi Metro's Janakpuri West metro station will have the highest elevation in India.

• The metro station which lies on the Blue Line will have escalators at an elevation of **15.6 m**.

Skill Development Centre in Hyderabad to be Set Up by UNDP:

• Aimed at empowering vulnerable and marginalised women by imparting skills training, the **united nations Development Programme(UNDP)** will soon set up a **skill development centre at 'Bharosa'**, an integrated support centre for distressed **women and children**.

• **UNDP** has proposed to set up a skill development centre exclusively for clients of **Bharosa**. **Bharosa** provides under one roof, **24X7 services** related to police,medical,legal,prosecution,Physco-therapeutic counselling and relief and rehabilitation services in completely private counselling rooms to maintain confidentiality and privacy.

UNDP

• Headquarters: **New York**

• Head: **Achim Steiner**

President Kovind to inaugurate Global Exhibition on Services-2018:

• **President Ram Nath Kovind** will inaugurate the Global Exhibition on Services-2018 in **Mumbai**.

• He will also launch 12 champion sectors in services. 25 Indian states and around 100 countries are expected to participate in Global Exhibition on Services, this year, with 625 exhibitors and 500 overseas delegates.

• The event will also feature roundtables and seminars, state investment summits, Business-to-business meetings, exhibition of key services sectors, cultural activities, country and international pavilions, among others.

First all-woman Post Office Passport Seva Kendra starts operations

• In a first, a Post Office Passport Seva Kendra (POPSK) run by an all-woman team has started operations in **Phagwara, Punjab**. The seva kendra was inaugurated by **Union Minister Vijay Sampla** in the local head Post Office.

• According to Jalandhar regional Passport Officer Harmanbir Singh Gill, the Phagwara Kendra will be headed by **department's Verification Officer Madhuri Bhavi**.

• It was 192nd POPSK in the country, but first one to be operated by an all-woman team.

Centre approves Rs 1,161.17 crores aid to calamity-struck places:

• A High-Level Committee, chaired by Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh, approved central assistance of Rs **1,161.17 crores** to the states of **Assam, Himachal Pradesh, Sikkim and**

Rajasthan and the union territory of Lakshadweep.

• The committee approved an assistance of Rs 480.87 crore for Assam, approved assistance from **National Disaster Response Force (NDRF)** amounting to Rs 84.60 crore for Himachal Pradesh, Rs 67.40 crore for Sikkim, Rs 2.16 crore for the Lakshadweep and Rs 526.14 crore for Rajasthan.

Smt Smriti Irani Chairs Meeting of Stakeholders on 'Samarth'- Scheme for Capacity Building in Textile Sector:

• A meeting of stakeholders on **Samarth - Scheme** for Capacity Building in Textile Sector under the Skill India Mission was held in New Delhi to familiarize the stakeholders about the scheme and its guidelines.

• The meeting was chaired by **Union Minister of Textiles, Smt Smriti Zubin Irani**. The broad objective of the new scheme is to skill the youth for gainful and sustainable employment in the textile sector covering the entire value chain of textiles, excluding spinning and weaving.

Four states ink MoUs with Centre on health protection mission:

• **The states of Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Haryana and Uttarakhand** agreed to implement the ambitious national health protection mission, which aims to provide an annual coverage of Rs **5 lakh** per family.

• The four states and the Union Territory of Chandigarh inked MoUs with the Union Health Ministry for the implementation of **Ayushman Bharat-Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Swasthya Suraksha Mission**.

• Union Health Minister **J P Nadda** presided over the MoU signing ceremony at a regional workshop for northern states.

• Member of Rajya Sabha from Himachal Pradesh - **Jagat Prakash Nadda**

IIM Ahmedabad launched \$25million Bharat Inclusion Initiative for startups:

• **IIM-Ahmedabad's Centre for Innovation, Incubation and Entrepreneurship (CIIE)** has launched the Bharat Inclusion Initiative ,with a commitment of **\$25 million** from The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Omidyar Network and Michael and Susan Dell Foundation.

• The initiative will focus on incubating and backing startups that work in areas such as **financial inclusion, livelihood, education and health**.

• An **initial commitment of \$12.5 Million** from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the Michael & Susan Dell Foundation, and Omidyar Network has been received. This includes a \$5 Million commitment for providing support to startups through acceleration programs, research, training workshops and piloting partnerships.

Suresh Prabhu launched the Intellectual Property (IP) mascot:

• The Minister of Commerce and Industry **Shri Suresh Prabhu** launched the Intellectual Property (IP) mascot - IP Nani - at the conference on **National Intellectual Property Rights Policy in New Delhi**.

• Mascot IP Nani is a tech-savvy grandmother who helps the government and enforcement agencies in combating IP crimes with the help of her grandson "**Chhotu**" aka **Aditya**. The IP mascot will spread awareness about the importance of Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs) among people, especially children, in an interesting manner.

• The first and foremost objective of the Policy is "**IPR Awareness: Outreach and Promotion**".

Indore cleanest city, Jharkhand emerges best-performing state:

• **Jharkhand** has emerged as the **best-performing state in terms of cleanliness**, while Indore in Madhya Pradesh was adjudged the cleanest city in the country, according to the government cleanliness survey.

• **Maharashtra** stood at the second place in the '**Swachh Survekshan 2018**,' while Chhattisgarh was at the third position in 'best-performing states' survey released by Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Hardeep Singh Puri.

• In cities, table-topper **Indore** is followed by **Madhya Pradesh** capital Bhopal, while Union Territory of Chandigarh stands at the third place in the national-level category.

• **Uttar Pradesh's Ghaziabad** was adjudged the "**fastest mover big city**" in this survey.

Union Environment Ministry launches Green Skill Development Programme:

• The Union Environment Ministry has launched its full fledged **Green Skill Development Programme(GSDP)**. It aims to train over 5.5 lakh workers in environment and forest sectors in the country through 30 courses by 2021.

• **Environment minister Harsh Vardhan** also unveiled a related **mobile app (GSDP-ENVIS)**, terming it an ambitious programme of the ministry that will help boost employability and entrepreneurship of the youth in the country.

• Around 80,000 youths in the country will be trained at 80 institutions in next one year. The number will be raised to over 2 lakh in the following year.

• Constituency of **Environment Ministry:** Chadni Chowk, New Delhi

MoS External Affairs General VK Singh Visits North Korea

• **Minister of State for External Affairs General VK Singh** visits North Korea, first high-level visit from India in **20 years**. The current year marks the 45th year of establishment of diplomatic relations.

• He held talks with several leaders including **Foreign Minister Ri Yong Ho** on key issues and

raised New Delhi’s concerns over nuclear proliferation.

- A range of bilateral issues covering political, regional, economic, educational and cultural cooperation figured in the talks.

North Korea

- Capital: **Pyongyang**
- Currency: **North Korean won**

MoS Defence Subhash Bhamre on 3 day visit to Nauru:

- Union minister Subhash Bhamre is on a three-day visit to **Nauru- a tiny island-country** in the central Pacific Ocean- amidst India’s increasing interaction with the region.
- **Bhamre, the minister of state for defence**, was the chief guest at the 50th anniversary celebrations of **Constitution Day of Nauru**.
- The two sides discussed projects relating to climate change, renewable energy, health, education, capacity building and infrastructure.
- The minister conveyed that India will be offering 22 Mahindra SUVs and two Tata buses worth **USD 706,000 to the country**.The central Pacific country will be hosting the 49th Pacific Islands Forum Leaders’ meet.

Nauru

- Capital: **Yaren**
- Currency: **Australian dollar**

PM Modi to lay foundation stones for Rs 100 bn projects in Kashmir

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will lay the foundation stone of **Rs 68 billion strategic Zojila tunnel, Asia’s longest bi-directional tunnel, in Jammu and Kashmir**.
- He will also lay the foundation stones for ring road projects in Srinagar and Jammu costing nearly **Rs 38.84 billion**.
- The 14-km long Zojila tunnel, which will be India’s longest road tunnel and Asia’s longest bidirectional tunnel, will provide all-weather connectivity between Srinagar, Kargil and Leh.
- **Chief minister: Mehbooba Mufti**
- **Capitals: Jammu (Winter), Srinagar (Summer)**

Venture Capital Symposium 2018 in New Delhi:

- The NITI Aayog have organised a three day symposium with **venture capital funds in New Delhi along with France**.
- The symposium, organised jointly by **NITI Aayog along with Vision India Foundation**, also seeks to deepen the economic relationships between France and India.
- Following the visit of **French President Emmanuel Macron**, 20 of the biggest French venture capital and private equity funds are coming to India to explore investment opportunities.
- The Venture Capital Symposium 2018 aims to support the Startup India programme that was launched by the prime minister of India.

France

- Capital: **Paris**
- Currency: **Euro, CFP Franc**

Prime Minister inaugurates Kishanganga Hydroelectric Project:

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the state run **NHPC Ltd’s Kishanganga hydro power project in Jammu and Kashmir**.
- The development assumes significance given the strategic importance of the **330 megawatt (MW) project on the river Kishanganga, a tributary of Jhelum**.
- The project, located at **Bandipore in North Kashmir**, envisages diversion of water of Kishan Ganga river to underground power house through a 23.25-km-long head race tunnel to generate 1713 million units per annum.
- PM Modi will also lay the Foundation Stone of the **Pakul Dul Power Project**.

India Successfully Test-Fires BrahMos Missile:

- India has successfully test-fired the Indo-Russian joint venture BrahMos supersonic cruise missile from a test range along the Odisha coast to validate some new features.
- The missile was test-fired from a mobile launcher stationed at Launch pad 3 of the Integrated Test Range (ITR) at **Chandipur, Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)**.
- According to a report, BrahMos, the fastest cruise missile in the world co-developed by India and Russia, will become a **‘hypersonic’ system in the next decade**. The missile, which currently travels at mach 2.8 or 2.8 times the speed of sound, would touch mach 3.5 soon and mach 5 in three years.

“AYUSH” is now officially a scientific word in India:

- The **Commission for Scientific & Technical Terminology (CSTT)**, the national body in charge of finding and recognising scientific and technical words, has decided to adopt the word **‘AYUSH’ in Hindi and English languages**. The new recognition is to give the word more popularity.
 - The recognition of AYUSH — the acronym for Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy. Now, the commission has given the word’s meaning as a “traditional and Non-Conventional Systems of Health Care and Healing which include Ayurveda, Yoga, Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha, Sowa Rigpa, Homoeopathy etc”.
 - This decision will also give a boost to India’s efforts to find a place for the Indian Systems of Healthcare in the International Classification of Diseases (ICD) of the World Health Organization.
- Air Chief Marshal BS Dhanoa to Visit Israel**
- **Air Chief Marshal Birender Singh Dhanoa** will be embarking on a four-day visit to the State of Israel.

- Chief of the Air Staff (CAS) would attend a conference themed **‘Air Superiority as a Bridge to Regional Stability’**, as part of 70th-anniversary celebrations of the Israel Air Force.
- The conference will enable strategic dialogue between Israel’s highest leadership, innovative thinkers, and the invited Air Force Commanders.
- Israel has steadily increased its footprint in the Indian defence sector and emerged as one of the largest defence partners.

Southwestern commands conducts military exercise: Gandiv Vijay

- **Indian Army’s Chetan Corps of South Western Command** conducted a Military Exercise named **“Gandiv Vijay”** in Mahajan Field firing ranges of **Rajasthan**.
- The Gandiv Vijay exercise was conducted for two months to validate army’s operational plans.
- Thousands of Soldiers underwent an intensive training and it was given how to handle a war by using modern technology, intelligence related data, etc,.

India 145th among 195 countries in healthcare access, quality:

- **India ranks 145th among 195 countries** in terms of **quality and accessibility of healthcare**.
- According to a **Lancet study**, India lags behind China (48), Sri Lanka (71), Bangladesh (133) and Bhutan (134) while its health index was better than Nepal (149), Pakistan (154) and Afghanistan (191). The countries with the lowest scores were the Central African Republic (18.6), Somalia (19.0), Guinea-Bissau (23.4).
- The Global Burden of Disease study, however, mentioned that India has seen improvements in healthcare access and quality since 1990. The study used an index to measure the quality and accessibility of healthcare, based on **32 causes of death which should be preventable with effective medical care**.

Top Three countries with highest levels are:

1. Iceland
2. Norway
3. Netherland

Minimum Compensation of Rs.1 crore To Paramilitary Jawan Who Dies In Action

- **Home Minister Rajnath Singh** has announced that the family of a **paramilitary jawan** who dies in action will be given a minimum compensation of **one crore rupees**. He said, the families of martyrs should not face any difficulty.
- The Home Minister presented gallantry awards to BSF jawans and officers.
- The Border Security Force came into existence on 01 Dec 1965, and Mr K F Rustamji was the 1st chief and founding father.

BSF

- Headquarters: **New Delhi**.
- Director General: **KK Sharma**

HRD Ministry launches Samagra Shiksha scheme:

Human Resource Development Minister **Prakash Javadekar** launched **Samagra Shiksha scheme** for school education.

- The scheme focuses on **improving quality of education, enhancing** the Learning outcomes and using technology to empower children and teachers.
- The Minister said, an annual grant of **five thousand to 20 thousand rupees** will be provided for strengthening libraries in schools. The scheme will be focus on digital education.
- Samagra Shiksha is a program that unifies learning from the pre-school to class 12 levels and encapsulates elements of the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, Rashtriya Madhyamk Shiksha Abhiyan and teacher education.

The objectives of the scheme include

- provision of quality education
- enhancing learning outcomes of students
- bridging social and gender gaps in school education and promoting vocationalisation of education
- Strengthening teacher education institutions like SCERTs and Diets to improve quality of teachers
- annual grant of Rs 5,000 to Rs 20,000 per school for strengthening of libraries

Government finalises Model Contract Farming Act 2018:

- The **Model Contract Act 2018**, unveiled by **Union Agriculture Minister Radha Mohan Singh** in Delhi brings in all services in the agriculture value chain, including pre-production, production and post-production services, under its ambit along with contract farming activity.
- The act lays special emphasis on protecting the interests of the farmers, considering them as weaker of the two parties entering into a contract, the ministry states.
- One of the key features of the Model Act, to be adopted and enacted by the states is that it brings contract farming outside the ambit of the APMC Act. It provides for a "Registering and Agreement Recording Committee" or an "Officer" at the district/block/taluka level for online registration of sponsor and recording of agreement. The contracted produce will also be covered under crop/livestock insurance in operation.

India, Nepal to conduct 2-week long 'Surya Kiran' military exercise:

- Armies of **India and Nepal** will carry out a two-week long military exercise begin in Uttarakhand's Pithoragarh region with an **aim to deepen counter-terror cooperation**. The Indian Army said the '**Surya Kiran**' exercise is expected to enhance the level of defence cooperation between the two militaries.
- The aim of this exercise is to conduct battalion level joint training with emphasis on counterterrorism operations in mountainous terrain. During the exercise, aspects of disaster

management and joint effort towards relief work have also been included.

Women Safety Division in MHA:

- MHA has created a new Division to address issues of women safety comprehensively. This Division would deal with all aspects of women safety in coordination with relevant Ministries/Departments and State Governments.
 - Smt. Punya Salila Srivastava, AGMUT Cadre officer of 1993 batch has been posted as Joint Secretary to head this Division.
- The new Division will deal with the following subjects:-

1. Crimes against women, SCs&STs.
2. Crimes against children, elderly persons.
3. Anti-trafficking Cell.
1. Matters relating to Prison legislation and prison Reforms.
2. All schemes under NIRBHAYA fund.
3. Crime and Criminal Tracking & Network System (CCTNS)
4. National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB)

Prime Minister Narendra Modi lays foundation stone for Patratu Super Thermal Power Project:

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone today for the 2400MW first phase of NTPC's Patratu Super Thermal Power Project in Jharkhand. The project is a 74: 26 Joint Venture between Government of Jharkhand (GoJ) and Patratu Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Ltd. (PVUN), a subsidiary company of NTPC establishing a total capacity expansion of **4,000MW**.
- **Shri R.K. Singh**, Union Minister of State (I/C), Power and New & Renewable Energy and eminent dignitaries from Jharkhand and the Centre were present on the occasion.

NITI Aayog, ABB India sign pact to benefit India from AI, robotics

- **ABB India and Niti Aayog** has inked a pact to help the country **reap the benefits of latest technologies including robotics and artificial intelligence**.
 - The two institutions signed a **statement of intent (SoI)** to work together in preparing key sectors of the economy for digitalisation, artificial intelligence (AI) robotics, and industrial automation.
 - The first workshop for senior government officials under this collaboration would be organised in June in Bengaluru. The workshop will focus on digital and automation technologies for this sector.
 - ABB is a **Swedish-Swiss multinational automation company headquartered in Zurich**,
 - ABB CEO: **Ulrich Spiesshofer**
 - NITI Aayog CEO: **Amitabh Kant**
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi Launches Survey On NaMo App:**
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched a survey on the **NaMo App**, asking people to rate

the performance of the government at the Centre and MPs and MLAs in their constituencies.

- He launched the initiative, to mark the completion of **four years of the NDA government**, which came to power at the Centre in 2014.

Akshay Kumar launches twin pit toilet technology campaign in New Delhi:

- Film actor **Akshay kumar** launched the twin pit toilet technology campaign in New Delhi. Mr Kumar said, the real challenge in the society is to fight the age old mentality revolving around sanitation and cleanliness.
- The actor appealed everybody **to spread the awareness on the issue and make the cleanliness drive more effective**. The twin pit toilet technology is an Indian invention that collects defecation for a period of five years and then it turns into a valuable organic compost.

Sushant Singh Rajput to promote NITI Aayog's BHIM App, Women Entrepreneurship

- **Rajput** has signed an agreement to promote the Women Entrepreneurship Platform (WEP) of the Aayog. The actor will endorse the Women Entrepreneurship Platform and encourage use of Bharat Interface for Money (BHIM) application by appearing in various video, print and social media campaigns of NITI Aayog.
- NITI Aayog's **Women Entrepreneurship Platform** (WEP) was launched on March 8, 2018, on the occasion of the International Women's Day. It aims to power a vibrant entrepreneurial ecosystem through an enabling network of industry collaborations, partnerships, mentors and peer-to-peer connect.

Queen Maxima of Kingdom of Netherlands arrives India, meets NITI Aayog Vice-Chairman:

- **Queen Maxima of the Kingdom** of the Netherlands who is also the United Nations Secretary General's Special Advocate for Inclusive Finance for Development arrived in **New Delhi today on a four-day visit to India**.
- She met **Vice-Chairman of NITI Aayog Rajiv Kumar** and CEO Amitabh Kant. During the visit, Queen Maxima will call on Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The visiting dignitary will have a meeting with Finance Minister Piyush Goyal.
- Queen Maxima will have a field visit to **Meerut in Uttar Pradesh** and she is scheduled to address a Round Table on Private Sector for Financial inclusion in Mumbai.

PM Leaves On 3-Nation Tour To Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi is on a three-nation tour of **Singapore, Malaysia, and Indonesia**.
- Indonesia, Malaysia and Singapore, three countries in ASEAN, are strategic Partners of India.

• In Singapore, Modi will deliver the key-note address at the **17th Shangri-la Dialogue**. Modi and Malaysia **PM Dr Mahathir Mohammad** are expected to deliberate on ways to deepen bilateral relationship in a range of areas, including trade and investment.

• The visit assumes significance on the backdrop of an increasing Chinese influence in the region and the importance attached to ASEAN by India under its Act East policy.

Sangeeta Bahl Becomes Oldest Indian woman to Scale Mount Everest

• **Sangeeta Bahl**, a 53-year-old former model and entrepreneur from Jammu and Kashmir, has become the **oldest Indian woman to conquer Mount Everest**.

• Bahl, who currently resides in Gurugram, was felicitated at the Indian embassy in Kathmandu. She scaled the peak on May 19 with the help of two Sherpas. Her husband **Ankur Bahl**, had also climbed Mt Everest in 2016.

• Sangeeta Bahl has already conquered six out of the seven highest peaks of the world. She broke the record of **Premalata Agarwal**, 48, who scaled Everest on May 20, 2011.

4th Int’l Yoga Day celebrations to be held at Dehradun

• The main event of **4th International Yoga Day celebrations (IDY-2018)** will be held on 21st June 2018 at **Dehradun in Uttarakhand**.

• It was announced by Shri **Vaidya Rajesh Kotecha**, Secretary, Ministry of AYUSH.

• The first International Day of Yoga was observed all over the world on **21 June 2015**.

Foundation Stone Laid for Development and Upgradation of Botanic Garden, Noida:

• Union Minister for Environment, Forest and Climate Change, **Dr. Harsh Vardhan** has said that **the Botanic Garden of Indian Republic (BGIR) Noida**, will be developed as one of the most distinct botanic gardens with modern-day landscape.

• Union ministers **Harsh vardhan and Mahesh Sharma** laid the foundation stone for redevelopment and upgradation work of the Botanic Garden of Indian Republic (BGIR)

• Another objective is the creation of public awareness through **education on plant biodiversity and its need**.

Department of Science & Technology- Dr. Harsh Vardhan

Constituency- Chandni Chowk (NCT of Delhi)

States In News

ARUNACHAL PRADESH

CM Pema Khandu inaugurates Arunachal Pradesh’s biggest solar plant:

• **Arunachal Pradesh** Chief Minister **Pema Khandu** inaugurated the **state’s biggest solar power plant** at Energy Awareness Park at **Itanagar**.

• The plant, with a capacity of 1 MW, was commissioned on April 1 at an estimated investment of Rs 8.50 crore by the Arunachal Pradesh Energy Development Agency (APEDA).

Arunachal Pradesh

• Capital: **Itanagar**

• Chief Minister: **Pema Khandu**

• Governor: **B D Mishra**

ASSAM

India’s 1st Solar Powered Railway Station in Guwahati:

• **Assam’s Guwahati** now has India’s first railway station run by solar power. The project of installing solar panels was commissioned last year in **April 2017**.

• Around 2352 solar modules with a capacity of generating 700 kwp has been set up over the roof of the Guwahati railway station. Solar panels have been installed at the roof-top solar power plant.

• The solar-powered station is aimed **at reducing carbon-footprint as well as cut down power costs drastically**. The project cost is estimated to be Rs 6.7 crore, as per Indian Railways. The solar power plant will save Rs 67 lakh worth of electricity.

Assam

• Capital: **Dispur**

• Governor: **Jagdish Mukhi**

• Chief Minister: **Sarbananda Sonowal**

BIHAR

Frozen Semen Station being set up in Maranga, Purnea, Bihar:

• The foundation stone of the frozen semen station in **Maranga, Purnea** has been laid by **Union Minister of Agriculture & Farmers’ Welfare Shri Radha Mohan Singh**.

• The frozen semen station is being set up at a **cost of Rs 64 crore** under the **Rashtriya Gokul Mission** with **100% contribution from the Central Government**.

• Out of this, **Rs 20 crore** has already been released. He said the artificial insemination techniques can increase milk production and productivity. Currently, the artificial insemination is being done by CMOFED in Bihar.

• The Rashtriya Gokul Mission was initiated in December 2014 with an aim to conserve and develop indigenous breeds.

Bihar

• Capital: **Patna**

• Chief Minister: **Nitish Kumar**

• Governor: **Satya Pal Malik**

CHHATTISGARH

Home Minister commissions anti-Naxal ‘Bastariya’ battalion

• **Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh** attends the commissioning of **‘Bastariya’ battalion of the Central Reserve Police Force(CRPF)**. It has been created for the first-time with more than 534 tribal youths from Chhattisgarh.

• The battalion is named ‘Bastariya’ as its members are from the Bastar region in southern Chhattisgarh, bordering Andhra Pradesh, Odisha and Telangana.

• The 534 troops will get their ranks of constables and take up arms against the naxals.

• The **CRPF is the lead anti-naxal operation force** and has deployed over 35,000 personnel in Chhattisgarh.

Chhattisgarh

• Capitals: **Raipur, Bilaspur(Judicial Capital)**

• Chief Minister: **Raman Singh**

• Governor: **Balram Das Tandon**

GUJARAT

Gujarat govt to launch free treatment scheme for road accident victims

• **The Gujarat government** would start bearing medical expenses of up to **Rs 50,000 for each victim** of road accident in the state for the first 48 hours.

• Even people hailing from other states or citizens of other countries will get free treatment in Gujarat, regardless of their income, if they meet with a road accident and admitted to a government or a private hospital.

• The move is aimed at providing timely and better treatment and thereby minimising the loss of life due to road accidents.

Gujarat

• Capital: **Gandhinagar**

• Chief minister: **Vijay Rupani**

• Governor: **Om Prakash Kohli**

HARYANA

Haryana govt launches Chatra Parivahan Suraksha Yojana:

• **Chatra Parivahan Suraksha Yojana** would be launched in **Haryana** to bring more than five girl students from the educational institute in the state.

• It has been crafted to ensure safety of girl students. This was announced by the Chief Minister, Mr Manohar Lal.

• The Chief Minister said buses were run on **131 routes for women**. Though 33 per cent reservation was provided to women in panchayats **42 per cent women** were elected. Similarly, the present government has made provision of death penalty for **rape with minor girl below 12 years of age**, which has also been adopted by the Central Government.

Haryana

• Capital: **Chandigarh**

• Governor: **Kaptan Singh Solanki**

• Chief Minister: **Manohar Lal Khattar**

HIMACHAL PRADESH

Himachal govt sanctions Rs 25 cr for renovating Bantony Castle:

• The Himachal Pradesh government will spend **Rs 25 crore** on renovating and developing the

historic British Raj '**Bantony Castle Estate**' here as a major tourist attraction.

- The castle was one of the historic and monumental buildings of Shimla town with a very rich history.
- The Bantony Castle, owned by a business family and housing the state police headquarters, was acquired by the government for **Rs 27.84** crore two years ago.

Himachal Pradesh

- Capital: **Shimla**
- Chief minister: **Jai Ram Thakur**
- Governor: **Acharya Dev Vrat**

JHARKHAND

PM Modi unveils projects of Rs 27,000 cr in Jharkhand:

- **Prime Minister Modi** visited **Jharkhand** . He laid the foundation stone of various projects of
- Prime Minister Modi during his Jharkhand visit, laid the **foundation stone** of the revival of the **Sindri Urea plant**; The plant, shut for two decades, near Dhanbad, is being revived with an investment of about **7 thousand crore rupees**.
- The PM also laid the foundation stone of All India Institute of Medical Sciences in Deoghar, for strengthening health services in the state. It will cost 1,103 crore rupees. This 750 bedded hospital will be build on 237 acre land, which will be completed in the next four years. PM will also witness the exchange of MoUs for 'jan aushadhi kendras'
- PM will also laid the foundation stone of 4 thousand MegaWatt Super thermal power plant in Patratu, Ramgarh and is joint venture with NTPC. It will have three units in the first phase which will be ready by 2021 and it will cost about 18 thousand crores.
- PM also laid foundation stone of development of Deoghar Airport as well Ranchi City Gas Distribution Project by GAIL.

JHARKHAND

- Capital: **Ranchi**
- Chief Minister: **Raghubar Das**
- Governor: **Draupadi Murmu**

KERALA

Kerala, the first state in southern India, to be visited by 15th Finance Commission:

- The **Fifteenth Finance Commission of the Government of India** is visiting the state of Kerala from 28th to 31st May 2018. The Commission led by the Chairman Shri N.K.Singh, Members – Shri Shaktikanta Das, **Dr. Anoop Singh**, Dr. Ashok Lahiri, Dr. Ramesh Chand and Secretary Shri Arvind Mehta along with other officials will assess the state of the finances of Kerala and the progress made in socio-economic field. Ahead of this visit, Commission understood various aspects of it from Accountant General of Kerala in New Delhi.

- **Kerala is the 10th largest economy in India** and contributes around 4.2% of India's GDP. Its GSDP growth rate was around 7.4% at constant price in 2016-17. State has one of the highest per capita GSDP and per capita income. In the absence of a substantive pick up in agriculture and manufacturing, the Kerala economy is largely supported by a booming service sector.

Nipah Virus Outbreak in Kerala:

- **Nipah virus** has been started to spread in North Kerala. It has high fatality rate and spreads mainly through bats, pigs and other animals.
- The high-level team from the National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) has been asked to assist the Kerala government and closely monitor the situation.
- **The WHO says Nipah virus (NiV) encephalitis is an emerging infectious disease of public health importance in the South-East Asia Region. Nipah virus origin is Malaysia.**

Kerala govt to provide free internet to 20 lakh poor families:

- Chief Minister **Pinarayi Vijayan**, accorded sanction to set up the **Kerala Fibre Optic Network Limited**, the Joint Venture, to implement the Kerala Fibre Optic Network (**K-FON**) project.
- The K-FON initiative is being implemented **to provide speedy internet connectivity to government offices and educational institutions**.
- With the project becoming a reality, **over 20 lakh poor families** will get **free internet service** while others will get it at an affordable rate.

Kerala and NTPC sign MoU for increasing solar power generation

- The **Kerala State Electricity Board** has signed a memorandum of understanding with the **National Thermal Power Corporation** for increasing **solar power generation** in the state.
- The MoU, signed, also includes an agreement **to set up a 15 MW solar power unit** at the NTPCNSE -0.62 % complex in **Kayamkulam**.
- NTPC Director (Commercial) **A K Gupta** and KSEB CMD **N S Pillai** signed the MoU in the presence of Chief Minister **Pinarayi Vijayan** and state power minister **M M Mani**.

Kerala

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

MAHARASHTRA

Maharashtra: First Indian state to provide digitally-signed land record receipts

- **Maharashtra** has become the **first state to issue a crucial land ownership document**

online and accept a digital signature on it as valid.

- The state government's plan of digitizing the 7/12 extract has been completed. It has generated eight lakh documents with space for digital signatures. The facility was inaugurated by the **chief minister Devendra Fadnavis**.
- The 7/12 receipt is extensively used by farmers for loan agreements, crop survey and for availing of government facilities.
- To get the document digitally, one can log on to **mahabhulekh.maharashtra.gov.in**. Information about the district, taluka, village and other details should be filled there. The document will be generated as a PDF.

Maharashtra signs MoU with Centre's GRIHA council for green buildings:

- The **Maharashtra government** signed a MoU with the Centres **Green Rating for Integrated Habitat Assessment** (GRIHA) Council to train state PWD officials to **rate government buildings**.

As per the agreement signed, the GRIHA Council, **a green rating body** under the **Union Ministry of New and Renewable Energy**, would train PWD's civil and electrical engineers and architects to rate government buildings as per its parameters.

Maharashtra govt Introduces New Scheme for landless labourers

- Maharashtra Government has introduced a new scheme **to help the landless labourers among the Scheduled Castes to acquire agricultural land**.
- The landless among the SCs can now purchase for acres of rainfed agricultural land or two acres of irrigated land by paying **only five percent of the cost**. The rest up to eight lakh rupees will be born by the state government.
- This is a modified scheme as the earlier **Dadasaheb Gaikwad empowerment of scheduled caste landless labourers scheme** was providing fifty per cent subsidy and was found inadequate and benefited only about five thousand landless labourers from SCs in the State so far.

Maharashtra

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

Madhya Pradesh

BSCDCL launches India's first Integrated Control and Command Centre in Madhya Pradesh:

- The **Bhopal Smart City Development Corporation Ltd.** (BSCDCL) has launched **India's first cloud-based** Common Integrated Data Centre, Disaster Recovery Centre and Integrated Control and Command Centre (**ICCC**) powered by **Hewlett Packard Enterprise's** Universal IoT Platform.

• It will enable the state administration to **monitor and administer multiple city civic utilities** and citizen services across seven cities in the state through a central cloud.

• These cities include **Bhopal, Gwalior, Jabalpur, Indore, Ujjain, Satna, and Sagar.**

• It was inaugurated by **Hardeep Singh Puri**, Minister of State (I/C), Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs.

• Chief Executive Officer, BSCDCL: **Chandramauli Shukla**

Madhya Pradesh to be declared ODF by October this year

• The Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh, Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan has announced that the State will be declared as **open defecation free (ODF) by Gandhi Jayanti this year.**

• This will mean that the State will become ODF one year before the national timeline of October 2nd, 2019.

• **The Union Minister for Drinking Water and Sanitation, Sushri Uma Bharti shared that the national sanitation coverage has risen to over 83%.**

Madhya Pradesh Launches 'My MP Rojgar Portal'

• **Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan** launched **'My MP Rojgar Portal'** as a part of Ham Chhu Lenge Asman' Mukhyamantri Career Counselling programme 'Pahal' in Model School of Bhopal.

• This portal is equipped with **providing jobs to youths** as per their educational qualification, skills and interest and ensuring availability of able candidates to employers as per need of their business.

The portal has been prepared by Madhya Pradesh Skill Development and Employment Generation Board under youth empowerment mission.

Madhya Pradesh

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

MANIPUR:

'Go To Village' Mission Launched In Manipur:

• **Manipur Chief Minister N. Biren Singh** launched **'Go to Village'** mission. It was launched throughout the state from Konuma ground, Imphal in 60 villages of all the 60 assembly constituencies

• The mission is aimed at identifying the eligible and deserving beneficiaries in every corner of the state and delivering government services at their doorstep. It also **aims to deliver good governance and bring inclusive development in the state.**

• A review meeting will also be held with the officials to assess the requirements and data collected from the camps.

Manipur gets first solar toilet:

• **Manipur has become the first state in the** Northeast and the third state in India to have solar toilets, which were inaugurated at Ibudhou Marjing hill Heingang by Tourism Director, Waikhom Ibohal.

Manipur

- Capital: **Imphal**
- Chief minister: **N. Biren Singh**
- Governor: **Chura Chand Singh**

ODISHA

Skill India Organized 'Ajeevika And Kaushal Vikas Mela' In Bhubaneswar:

• **Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) and Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD)** has launched Ajeevika and Kaushal Vikas Mela in Bhubaneswar.

• It aims in promoting social harmony and awareness around the pro-poor initiatives of the government. Vision: **"SabkaSaath, Sabka Vikas"**

• MSDE organized a Kaushal and Rojgar Mela at New Women's College in Khordha, Bhubaneswar where more than 5000 people from different walks of life participated.

Odisha

- Capital: **Bhubaneswar**
- Chief minister: **Naveen Patnaik**
- Governor: **Ganeshi Lal**

PUNJAB

Census for Indus Dolphins begins in Punjab

• **The Punjab government along with WWF-India** are conducting the first organised census on their population.

• The Indus dolphins are found only in India and Pakistan and are confined to only a 185 km stretch between **Talwara and Harike Barrage** in India's **Beas river in Punjab.** It will come to an estimate regarding the dolphin population over the five-day exercise.

• Director River Wetland and Water Policy: **Suresh Babu**

Punjab

- Capital: **Chandigarh**
- Chief minister: **Amarinder Singh**
- Governor: **V.P. Singh Badnore**

RAJASTHAN

Rajasthan Launches "Nidaan"Software:

• A new software, **'Nidaan'**, has been launched in Rajasthan **for presumptive diagnosis and monitoring of seasonal and non-communicable diseases** as well as the trends of ailments found in specific areas.

• It is expected to help in formulation of specific action plans for control of diseases.

• The **Additional Chief Secretary (Medical and Health) Veenu Gupta** launched the software by installing it at the Health and Family Welfare Training Centre.

• "Nidaan" will facilitate online entries of as many as 46 diseases and healthcare services

available for their treatment in different institutions.

Rajasthan

- Capital: **Jaipur**
- Chief minister: **Vasundhara Raje**
- Governor: **Kalyan Singh**

Tamil Nadu

Tamil Nadu to Build India's Next Generation Defence Aircraft:

• The **Aeronautical Development Agency**, which had conceived and designed the **Light Combat Aircraft (LCA) Tejas**, has planned to build the next generation defence aircraft, the Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA).

• The project would be implemented in **Sulur in Coimbatore district** which may house the permanent base of the Tejas squadron and it marks Tamil Nadu's first major defence aircraft project.

Tamil Nadu

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

TELANGANA

Pawan Kalyan Unfurls World's Largest Indian Flag in Telangana:

• Actor-turned-politician and Jana Sena Party founder **Pawan Kalyan** unfurled the national flag in **Hyderabad**, claimed to be the world's largest Indian tricolour, to commemorate the first war of the country's independence that took place in 1857.

• The flag was **122 feet** in length and **183 feet** in width.

• The flag, prepared by an organisation called **'Vibrants of Kalam'**, is world's largest Indian National Flag.

Telangana govt launches scheme to provide Rs. 4,000 per acre each to land-owning farmers:

• The **Telangana government** introduced **Rythu Bandhu**, a scheme to provide **Rs. 4,000 per acre each** to land-owning farmers for rabi and kharif seasons.

• They will also be given **'Pattadar'** pass books, which the government claims have **17 unique** security features, as one single proof of ownership.

• It was flagged off by chief minister **K. Chandrashekhar Rao**, who distributed 298 cheques to farmers at **Huzoorabad mandal in Karimnagar district.**

• Beneficiaries will get the amount even if they do not take up farming. The state government has set aside **Rs. 12,000 crore** in the **2018-19 budget** for Rythu Bandhu.

National Convention on Rejuvenation of Krishna River held in Hyderabad:

• **Telangana Irrigation Minister, T Harish Rao** inaugurated the National Convention on **"Rejuvenation of Krishna River"** at the

Institution of Engineers (India), Khairatabad, Hyderabad.

- The convention was organised by the **Indian Water Council (IWC)**. It will help to formulate an action plan for rejuvenation of the river and all its tributaries **in the next 10 years**.
- It is an initiative to rejuvenate the Krishna River by involving government organisations from Krishna river basin states of Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Telangana and several NGOs.
- **The Indian Water Council was formed in April 2018 in Rajasthan. IWC, an subsidiary of the World Water Council (WWC), plans to mobilise action against critical water issues in the country.**

Telangana govt announces unique life insurance scheme for farmers:

- **Telangana government** has announced a **unique life insurance scheme for farmers**. Under the scheme, the government will provide **life insurance facility of five lakh rupees** to the nominee, after the death of the insured farmer.
- The entire premium will be paid by the government to the insurance agency and the nominee will get the amount within ten days of the claim after the death of the farmer. The dependent family will get the benefit irrespective of the reason for the death of the farmer.
- **The farmers in the age group of 18 to 60 are eligible to enrol their names to get benefit from it.**

Telangana

- **Capital** : Hyderabad
- **Chief Minister** : Chandrasekar Rao
- Governor : **E.S.L.Narasimhan**

UTTAR PRADESH

Stanford University to partner with UP to combat chronic diseases:

- **Uttar Pradesh** Health Minister **Sidharth Nath Singh** informed that the **United States Stanford University** will come in a partnership with the state to combat disease **like Japanese Encephalitis (JE)** and **Acute Encephalitis Syndrome (AES)**.

UTTAR PRADESH

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

National Summit

National Summit	Key Point/ Discussion	Theme of 2018	Held in
15th Asia Media Summit (AMS-2018)	It will provide a unique opportunity for broadcasters in Asia to share their thoughts on broadcasting and information. Organised by Asia-Pacific Institute for Broadcasting Development (AIBD) in collaboration with its partners and international organisations.	"Telling our Stories- Asia and More".	New Delhi, India
International Children's Theatre Festival	The eight participating countries are France, Slovenia, Swaziland, Mexico, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Nepal and Bangladesh. The festival, organised by the 'Kolkata Eso Natak Shikhi'. It will be held from June 17 to 21.	"Safe Drive Save Life, Save Kids' Life"	Kolkata, West Bengal
19th edition of TOONZ Animation Masters Summit 2018	V G Samant, a venerated pioneer of Indian animation, was honoured with the 'Legend of Animation' award for his contributions to the animation industry.		Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala.
15th Asia Media Summit	To encourage regional and bilateral dialogue and cooperation to respond to challenges to the broadcasting sector in the region	'Telling Our Stories Asia and More'	New Delhi, India
Fourth meeting of South Asia Wildlife Enforcement Network (SAWEN)	To strengthen ties with the member countries in controlling the trans-boundary wildlife crime. SAWEN is a regional network comprises eight countries in South Asia—Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.		Kolkata, West Bengal
4th edition of Global Exhibition on services (GES-2018)	To enhance trade services between India and the rest of the world To focus on Services sector excellence in India and expanding our global footprint.		Bombay Exhibition Centre, Mumbai.
India's First International Rail Coach Expo (IRCE-2018)	The expo is being hosted by Integral Coach Factory, popularly known as ICF, under the Ministry of Railways, in coordination with CII (Confederation of Indian Industries) and RITES Ltd. Key brands from rail coach and train sets will be displaying products focusing on innovation and future technologies.		Chennai, Tamil Nadu
ASEAN India Film Festival	It will celebrate the excellence of cinema by exhibiting films from various ASEAN countries. It will build bridges and bring harmony among the ASEAN countries and provide people-to-people contact between member countries especially youth		New Delhi, India
Smart Cities India 2018 Expo	To help develop attractive and safe cities that evoke pride, passion and a sense of belonging among citizens.		New Delhi, India
9th edition of 'Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav'	To carry forward the execution of the National Cultural Festival under the banner of the slogan "EK BHARAT SHRESHTHA BHARAT".		Tehri , Uttarakhand

INTERNATIONAL

India and Pakistan to participate in SCO Counter-Terror Exercise Peace Mission 2018

- India and Pakistan will be part of a **multi-nation counter-terror exercise in Russia** under the framework of **Shanghai Cooperation Organisation**.
- This is the first time the two neighbouring countries will be coming together for counter terrorism exercise.
- The main aim of the **'Peace Mission-2018'** exercise is to conduct it under the framework of the SCO's **Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure (RATS)**, which is headquartered in **Tashkent (Uzbekistan)**.
- The military drill will be held in the **Ural mountains of Russia** and almost all SCO member countries — China, Russia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyztan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan and the new members India and Pakistan — will be part of it.

SCO

- Member countries: **8 members**
- Headquarters: **Beijing, China**
- Secretary General: **Rashid Alimov**

India ranks 6th in the list of doping violations: WADA

- India ranked **sixth (from third)** in a report published for 2016 and maintained their dubious record of being among top 10 nations with regards to doping violations.
- The **World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA)** published its report as per samples collected in 2016.
- India have 69 Anti-Doping Rule Violations (ADRV), the same as that of Russia, a country which has been under intense international scrutiny for years now.
- **For three years** in a row from **2013-15**, **India was ranked third** in doping violations.

WADA

- Headquarters: **Montreal, Canada**
- President: **Craig Reddie**

PM Modi's third Nepal visit starts off bus service between Janakpur and Ayodhya:

- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** and his Nepalese counterpart **K P Sharma Oli** jointly inaugurated a direct bus service between **Janakpur** and **Ayodhya** – the two sacred cities for Hindus.
- The Indian government has identified **15 destinations** in India for development **under the Ramayana Circuit theme** namely Ayodhya, Nandigram, Shringerpur & Chitrakoot (Uttar Pradesh), Sitamarhi, Buxar & Darbhanga (Bihar), Chitrakoot (Madhya Pradesh), Mahendragiri (Odisha), Jagdalpur (Chattisgarh), Nashik & Nagpur (Maharashtra), Bhadrachalam (Telangana), Hampi (Karnataka) and Rameshwaram (Tamil Nadu).

Dominican Republic Ties-Up With China, Breaks With Taiwan:

- **The Dominican Republic's** government has announced that it is **establishing diplomatic relations with China and breaking its diplomatic ties with Taiwan**.
- **Dominican Republic** will recognize Taiwan as an **"inalienable part of Chinese territory."**
- The Dominican Republic has received millions of dollars in donations for development programs from Taiwan, but the government also started commercial and political contacts with China.
- According to the Dominican government, bilateral trade with China has reached **\$2 billion a year**, making the Dominican Republic the second-largest trading partner for China among the Caribbean and Central American nations.

Dominican Republic

- Capital: **Santo Domingo**
- Currency: **Dominican peso**

USTR again places India Priority Watch List:

- The U.S. Trade Representative has once again placed India on **'Priority Watch List'** in its **annual Special 301 Report** on the state of intellectual property protection. India remains one of the world's most challenging major economies with respect to protection and enforcement of intellectual property.
- In its latest 2018 Special 301 Report, the US Trade Representative has placed **12 countries on its Priority Watch List**.
- In addition to India, other countries on the list are Algeria, Argentina, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Indonesia, Kuwait, Russia, Ukraine, and Venezuela.
- Special 301 Report identifies **US trading partners that do not adequately or effectively protect and enforce IP rights**.
- **UN Secretary-General "climate summit in September 2019":**
- The **UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres** announced a **climate summit set to take place in September 2019 in New York** to review the Paris Agreement commitments.
- In 2017, the total economic cost of climate-related disasters reached a **record \$320 billion**.
- Guterres announced at the opening ceremony of the **37th session of the UN Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean**.
- In March, Guterres appointed former **New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg** as his **Special Envoy for Climate Action** and announced that the billionaire will support the UN in its climate strategy and in organising the 2019 summit.
- In 2017, US President Donald Trump announced his country's withdrawal from the Paris Agreement.
- **PGCIL Inks Pact With Power Ministry For Rs.25,000 Crore Capex**
- The State-run **Power Grid Corporation of India (PGCIL)** has inked a pact with the ministry

of power to incur capital expenditure of **Rs 25,000 crore** for the current fiscal.

- The memorandum of understanding (MoU) includes various targets to be achieved by **Powergrid during 2018-19**.
- Other targets in the MoU inter-alia include parameters related to human resources, project management, research & development, innovation and other efficiency and operational performance parameters.
- The MoU was signed by **Ajay Kumar Bhalla, Secretary, Ministry of Power and I S Jha, Chairman and Managing Director, PGCIL**. California's economy is world's 5th biggest
- **California's** economy has surpassed that of the United Kingdom to become the world's fifth largest, according to new federal data.
- California's gross domestic product rose by **\$127 billion** from 2016 to 2017, surpassing \$2.7 trillion.
- California's economic output is now surpassed only by the total GDP of **the United States, China, Japan and Germany**. The state has 12 percent of the U.S. population but contributed 16 percent of the country's job growth between 2012 and 2017.
- All economic sectors except agriculture contributed to California's higher GDP.
- Chief Economist at the California Department of Finance: **Irena Asmundson**

No Nobel Prize In Literature This Year:

- The **Nobel prize in literature 2018** has cancelled after **sexual assault scandal in Sweden**.
- The Academy has pushed off awarding the 2018 prize in literature until next year, when two prizes will be awarded.
- The Academy, the 18-member body that chooses a laureate and awards the Nobel Prize in Literature annually, has seen seven of its members depart, including its first-ever female leader.
- In a release, the Academy noted that this would be the eighth time in its history it had chosen to declare what it called a **"reserved prize,"** and the fifth time the delayed prize would be awarded at the same time as the following years time.
- The award is administered by the Nobel Foundation and awarded by a committee that consists of five members elected by the Swedish Academy. The first Nobel Prize in Literature was awarded in 1901 to **Sully Prudhomme** of France.

U.S. cancels carbon monitoring project:

- A **NASA programme** that **cost \$10 million per year** to track **carbon and methane**, key greenhouse gases that contribute to global warming, has been cancelled.

• The end of the programme is called the **Carbon Monitoring System (CMS)**, which tracked sources and sinks for carbon and made high-resolution models of the planet's flows of carbon was first reported by the journal Science.

USA Withdraws From Iran Nuclear Deal

- **President Donald Trump** has decided to withdraw the United States from a multinational nuclear agreement with Iran,
- The agreement is also known as the **Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA)**.
- The reason for the withdraw is that Iran has been accused of failing to be honest about its nuclear ambitions while supporting terrorist groups.

• **JCPOA** is an international agreement on the nuclear program of Iran signed between **China, France, Russia, United Kingdom, Germany and European Union.**

India largest remittance-receiving country in the world

- According to a report which said remittances to the Asia-Pacific region amounted to \$256 billion last year, **India** was the largest remittance-receiving country in the world, with migrant workers from the country sending home **\$69 billion in 2017.**
- The report 'RemitSCOPE – Remittance markets and opportunities – Asia and the Pacific' said **India (\$69 billion), China (\$64 billion)** and the **Philippines (\$33 billion)** are the three largest remittance-receiving countries in the world in 2017. **Pakistan (\$20 billion), and Vietnam (\$14 billion)** are also in the top 10. Australian breaks world record with Mt Everest summit:

- **An Australian climber** reached the top of Mount Everest , becoming the fastest person to summit the highest mountain on each of the world's seven continents.
- Steve Plain conquered Everest **117 days** after he reached the peak of Mount Vinson — the highest mountain in Antarctica — breaking the previous seven-summit speed record by nine days.

WHO calls for elimination of trans fat in foods by 2023:

- **The World Health Organization** wants to eliminate artificial trans fats from the global food supply and has a step-by-step strategy on how to do so by **2023.**
- The global health body estimates that every year, trans fat intake leads to over 5,00,000 deaths worldwide from cardiovascular diseases.
- WHO launched an initiative called **REPLACE** that will provide guidance for all countries on how to remove artificial trans fats from their foods, possibly leading to a worldwide eradication.

Nepal to hold BIMSTEC 2018

- **Nepal's Prime Minister KP Sharma Oli** has announced to host the **2018 Bay of Bengal**

Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) summit.

- Nepal will hold the BIMSTEC summit, while expressing commitment towards building the Bangladesh-Bhutan-India-Nepal initiative.
- The BIMSTEC is an international organisation of seven nations of South Asia and South East Asia, including Bangladesh, India, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Bhutan, and Nepal.

India to attend SCO meet on counter-terror in Pakistan:

- **Pakistan will be hosting its first SCO meeting,** since the country along with India became a member of the organisation in June 2017.
- Experts from the eight SCO member states – **China, Kazakhstan, India, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan and Pakistan** – as well as representatives of the SCO-Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure (SCO-RATS) will participate in the three-day meeting.
- The **Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)** is a Eurasian political, economic, and security organisation.

First informal summit between India and Russia:

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi and President Vladimir Putin** held their first informal Summit in the **city of Sochi in the Russian Federation.**
- The two leaders held in depth discussions on major international issues. They agreed on the importance of building a multipolar world order. They decided to intensify consultation and coordination with each other, including on the Indo-Pacific Region.
- Both leaders agreed to institute a Strategic Economic Dialogue between NITI Aayog of India and the Ministry of Economic Development of the Russian Federation, to identify greater synergy in trade and investment.

Pakistan among top three sources of Money Laundering in UK:

- **The United Kingdom's National Crime Agency (NCA)** has listed Pakistan among the top three sources for money laundering in the United Kingdom.
- The other two countries are **Nigeria and Russia.** The NCA report says that the UK is a prime destination for foreign corrupt and politically exposed people to launder money.
- Trade misinvoicing is the largest component of illicit financial outflows from developing countries as measured by **New York-based Global Financial Integrity (GFI)** which tracks such flows.
- **Trade misinvoicing** is a method for moving money illicitly across borders which involves the deliberate falsification of the value or volume of an international commercial transaction of goods

or services by at least one party to the transaction.

Indo-Dutch Ganga Forum Inaugurated by the PM of Netherlands:

- The Prime Minister of Netherlands **Mark Rutte** inaugurated the **Indo-Dutch Ganga Forum in New Delhi.**
- Last year in June, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between the Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, Government of India and the Ministry of Infrastructure & Environment of the Netherlands.
- This forum was inaugurated in lines of that MoU.
- **Mark Rutte** appreciated efforts being made under the **Namami Gange programme** launched by the Modi Government.
- He also advocated waste-to-wealth approach to encourage sustainability of projects.
- The inauguration of the Indo-Dutch Ganga Forum was followed by a session during which issues like **"Innovative Financing Models for Indo-Dutch PPP Projects"** were discussed.

India launches 2nd IT corridor in China to gain access to big Chinese market

- **India** has launched its second IT corridor in **China** to cash in on the burgeoning Chinese software market which remained elusive despite the presence of top Indian technology firms.
- The **National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM)** has established one more **Digital Collaborative Opportunities Plaza (SIDCOP)** platform in China in an effort to provide market access to Indian IT firms in the huge Chinese market, the NASSCOM said.
- Agreements worth **RMB 36 million** (about USD six million) were signed between Indian service providers and Chinese customers at the launch of the corridor by China's Guiyang Municipal government and the NASSCOM.

UNICEF launches Data Visualisation app:

- The **UNICEF** has launched a '**Data Visualisation App**' which provides a user-friendly visual representation of complex analytics of the education scenario in the country.
- The app has been made with technical inputs from the UNICEF, in collaboration with the **National Institute of Education Planning and Administration (NIEPA)** and the **National Council for Educational Research and Training (NCERT).**
- It can be used as a **visual tool by policy makers,** senior government officials, academia, and researchers to address gaps and monitor programmes in the field of education.
- **UNICEF India** in partnership with HRD Ministry also had organised a 'Shiksha Mela — Education Open Day' to demonstrate case stories showcasing holistic and equitable quality

education achieved through convergent programming across 17 Indian states.

Hamburg To Host 2018 Global Wind Summit:

- The first edition of the **Global Wind Summit** will be held here from September 25-28, 2018 in **Hamburg, Germany**.

- The conference on wind is the largest and most important meeting of the wind industry worldwide. The event combines two conferences, **WindEnergy Hamburg** and **WindEurope**.

- India is fourth largest country after **China, the US and Germany** in terms of wind energy installation capacity at around **33 GW**. The organisers of the four-day event are expecting speakers from about 100 countries, including India, China, the US, Spain and Denmark.

- The focus of the conferences would be on three major subjects. Dynamic markets, cost efficiency and smart energy.

CHINA:

China launches a new communications satellite, APSTAR-6C:

- China has launched a new communication satellite **"APSTAR-6C"** at the southwestern **Xichang Satellite Launch Center**. The satellite was sent into orbit by the **Long March-3B carrier** rocket. This was the 273rd mission of the Long March rocket series.

- Both the satellite and the rocket were developed by the China Aerospace Science and Technology Corporation. The user of the satellite is Hong Kong-based APT Satellite Co. Ltd.

- The satellite will provide TV transmission, communication, Internet and multimedia services to customers across the Asia-Pacific region.

China launches new satellite to monitor air pollution:

- **China** successfully launched a **hyperspectral imaging satellite for comprehensive observation of the atmosphere, including air pollution** which is one of the country's major problems.

- **The Gaofen-5 satellite** was launched off the back of a **Long March 4C rocket** from the **Taiyuan Satellite Launch Center in northern Shanxi Province**. It was the **274th flight mission** by a Long March carrier rocket.

China launches Gaofen-5 hyperspectral imaging satellite for atmospheric research:

- **China** launched **Gaofen-5 (GF-5)**, a remote sensing satellite meant **to conduct scientific research on the earth's atmosphere**.

- The launch took place using the **Long March 4C** from Taiyuan Satellite Launch Centre in **Shanxi province**.

- It was developed by the **China Aerospace Science and Technology Corporation (CASC)** and has a lift off mass of **2700kg** and a design life of **8 years**.

- It was **China's first high-resolution satellite** for atmospheric observation, is also the

first hyperspectral imaging satellite developed by China.

China's indigenously built aircraft carrier 'Shandong' starts sea trials:

- China's indigenously developed second aircraft carrier, Shandong also called as **C-17/ Type 001A** started its sea trials .

- The yet to be christened aircraft carrier left the dock of Dalian Ship Building Industry in the North-Eastern Coast of China to begin its much-awaited sea trials.

China approves \$1 billion loan for Sri Lanka highway:

- The Chinese government has approved a **\$1 billion loan** to Sri Lanka **to build a highway and its export-import bank has been instructed to process the borrowing**.

- It will be one of the largest projects undertaken by the China in the island nation, which is supporting China's **Belt and Road Initiative (BRI)**.

- China has emerged as the largest single lender to Sri Lanka in recent years.

China's "Type-001A" started Trials:

- China's first domestically manufactured aircraft carrier started sea trials.

- The carrier, known only as **"Type 001A"**, set out for the trials from a port in north-eastern China.

- The ship will give China a second aircraft carrier as it asserts its claims in the South China Sea and seeks to deter any independence movements in Taiwan in 2020.

China's first aircraft carrier – **Liaoning** – was also a **'Type 001 aircraft carrier**. The Liaoning was originally a Kuznetsov-class aircraft cruiser for the Soviet Navy in the mid-1980s.

China launches relay satellite to explore Moon's far side:

- **China** has launched a relay satellite as part of a groundbreaking programme to be the first to land a **spacecraft on the far side of the moon later this year**.

- China hopes to become the first country to soft-land a probe on the moon's far side, also known as the dark side because it faces away from the earth and is comparatively. unknown. The satellite, named **Queqiao, or "Magpie Bridge,"** after an ancient Chinese folk tale, was launched from the Xichang Satellite Launch Centre in the southwestern province of Sichuan.

12th edition of the bilateral border trade between India and China:

- The bilateral trade for the year 2018 between the traders of **India and China** through the **Nathu La border** began.

- On behalf of Government of Sikkim, Secretary for Commerce and Industries Department, SK Pradhan formally declared the trade to be opened for the season.

- Last year, the trade was disrupted following the **Doklam standoff**. This year, the traders are hopeful that there would be no problem.

- The trade between the two countries through Nathu La border, located at a height of 14,200 feet, was resumed in 2006. In 2016-2017, goods worth Rs 3.54 crore were traded via the Sino-Indian border, Nathu La.

China

- Capital: **Beijing**
- President: **Xi Jinping**
- Currency: **Renminbi**

Colombia

Colombia to be NATO's 1st Latin American 'Global Partner':

- **Colombia** will next week formally join the **North Atlantic Treaty Organization**, making it the only Latin American nation in the alliance. It was announced by Colombia's President **Juan Manuel Santos**.

- Other global partners include Afghanistan, Australia, Iraq, Japan, the Republic of Korea, Mongolia, New Zealand and Pakistan.

- The partnership with Colombia will cooperate on global security areas like cyber and maritime security, terrorism and links to organized crime.

- The North Atlantic Treaty Organization, also called the North Atlantic Alliance, is an intergovernmental military alliance between **29 North American and European countries**.

NATO

- Headquarters: **Brussels, Belgium**
- Secretary General: **Jens Stoltenberg**

Colombia

- Capital: **Bogota**
- Currency: **Colombian peso**

Guatemala:

Guatemala opens its embassy in Jerusalem

- Guatemala has opened an embassy in Jerusalem. **Guatemalan President Jimmy Morales** and Israeli **Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu** attended the embassy's opening.

Guatemala

- Capital: **Guatemala City**
- Currency: **Guatemalan quetzal**

ISRAEL

Israel Withdraws From Race for UN Security Council Seat

- **Israel** withdrew from a race against **Germany and Belgium** for two seats on the **United Nations Security Council in 2019-20**.

- **Israel, Germany and Belgium** were competing for two seats allocated to the Western European and Others Group.

- Germany and Belgium are now running uncontested, but they still need to win more than two-thirds of the overall General Assembly vote to be elected.

• The council, on which the five permanent members – **the United States, Britain, France, China and Russia** – hold veto powers, is the only U.N. body that can make legally binding decisions, as well as imposing sanctions and authorizing the use of force.

Israel

- Prime minister: **Benjamin Netanyahu**
- Capital: **Jerusalem**
- Currency: **Israeli new shekel**

Netherlands PM Mark Rutte on 2 day official visit to India

- **Prime Minister of The Netherlands, Mark Rutte**, will be on a two-day official visit to India from 24th of this month.
- The visit is expected to boost the economic and political cooperation between the two countries. The **India-Dutch CEOs forum** will take place in **New Delhi**.
- India and The Netherlands have a bilateral trade of 5.39 billion dollars. The Netherlands is the 5th largest investor in India.

The Netherlands

- Capital: **Amsterdam**

- Currency: **Euro, Dollar**

Russia

Russia Unveils World’s 1st Floating Nuclear Power Station:

- **Russia has unveiled the world’s first floating nuclear power station** at a ceremony in the port of the far northern city of **Murmansk**, where it will be loaded with nuclear fuel before heading to eastern Siberia.
- It was constructed the state nuclear power firm **Rosatom, Saint Petersburg**.
- The name of the ship is Akademik Lomonosov. It is a non-self-propelled powership. The ship holds two reactors with two 35 megawatt nuclear reactors.

Russia

- Capital: **Moscow**
- Currency: **Russian ruble**

UAE

Dharmendra Pradhan flags off first consignment of ADNOC crude oil for ISPR

- **Union Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas Dharmendra Pradhan** flagged off first

consignment of Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC) crude oil.

- **UAE Minister of State and ADNOC Group CEO H.E. Dr. Sultan Al Jaber** was also present at the occasion. The event was organized by the Embassy of India in **Abu Dhabi**.

- ADNOC is set to supply 2 million barrels of crude oil for Indian Strategic Petroleum Reserve (ISPR) in Mangalore. During the day, Mr. Pradhan also held the **bilateral meeting with H.E. Dr. Jaber**.

- The shipment is part of the agreement under which ADNOC will store **5.86 million barrels** of crude oil in the country under India’s Strategic Petroleum Reserve (SPR) programme.

- The agreement with ADNOC allows India to use the entire available crude oil stored by ADNOC at Mangalore SPR during emergency and also allows ADNOC to sell part of the crude oil to Indian refiners as and when required.

- Union Oil Minister: **Dharmendra Pradhan**

UAE

- Capital- **Abu Dhabi**.
- Currency- **UAE dirham**.

INTERNATIONAL SUMMIT

Summit	Key Points/ Discussion	Theme	Held in
International Buddhist Conference	To disseminate teachings of Gautam Buddha and spread the messages of nonviolence, brotherhood, co-existence, love and peace to the international community.	‘Lumbini Nepal: The birthplace of Lord Buddha and the fountain of Buddhism and world peace’.	Lumbini, Nepal
Second World Hindu Congress (WHC) 2018	To commemorate 125 years of Swami Vivekananda’s historic Chicago address on September 11, 1893.	“Sumantrite Suvikrante” — think collectively, achieve valiantly.	Chicago
Twelfth informal meeting of SAARC Finance Ministers	The meeting about the current status of economic progress achieved by their countries. 51st Annual Meeting of Asian Development Bank (ADB)		Manila , Philippines
2018 World Robot Conference	The conference will greatly stimulate passion and innovation in the robot industry as well as help with research and development.		Beijing, China.
71st Cannes Film Festival 2018	The Indian pavilion is a very important tool to help connecting the worldwide European and worldwide community of films.		Cannes, France
Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Tourism Ministers’	The Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Tourism and Minister of State for Electronics and Information Technology, Shri K. J. Alphons attend the meeting on the behalf of India. To increase the co-operation between India and China in Defence, External Affairs and Tourism.		Wuhan, China.
SCO Cultural Ministers’ Meeting	It will showcase India’s initiatives to actively pursue cultural cooperation with other countries including SCO countries.		Sanya, China
71st World Health Assembly	Mr Nadda also inaugurated ‘Walk the Talk’ event	“Health for All: Commit To Universal Health Coverage”	Geneva, Switzerland
26 th BASIC Ministerial Meeting of Environment Ministers on Climate Change	For the co-operation from countries and stakeholders in an effort to protect the climate for present and future The generations.		Durban, South Africa.

	To complete the Paris Agreement Work Programme at COP24, to enable full implementation of the Paris Agreement from 2020 onwards.		
Third edition of the Mission Innovation Ministerial Meet	Mission innovation countries launched Mission Innovation Champions Programme to felicitate clean energy innovators. At the Solutions Summit, the MI 2020 Solutions booklet was launched.		Malmo, Sweden
9th India-Japan Energy Dialogue	To initiate discussion on the concept of electric vehicles (EVs) by collaborating with "Policy dialogue on next generation/Zero emission vehicles". Agreed to work together for energy security, energy access and climate change issues.		New Delhi, India
1 st India- South Africa Business Summit	It was signed between Invest SA and Invest India, strengthening a rapidly growing economic and trade partnership between the two strategic partner countries.		Sandton Convention Centre, Johannesburg
Third edition of the United Nations Peacekeeping Course for African Partners (UNPCAP)	To build and enhance the capacity of the African Troop Contributing Countries to the UN. The course is conducted by the Centre for United Nations Peacekeeping in India (CUNPK) in partnership with the US.		New Delhi

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

Country	President	Key Point/ Area	Capital/Currency
Sri Lanka	Maithripala Sirisena	On cooperation on exchange of information and other aspects to tackle smuggling of drugs in both countries. Between delegations from India’s Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) and Sri Lanka’s Police Narcotics Bureau (PNB).	Colombo, Sri Jayawardenepura Kotte / Sri Lankan rupee
Poland	Andrzej Duda	In a bid to strengthen the cultural ties between Gujarat and Poland To join hands with Poland government for the celebration of the independence of Poland in Delhi and other parts of the world. It will extend support to Poland celebrate its Independence Day Centenary in October 2018.	Warsaw / Polish złoty
Peru	Martín Vizcarra Cornejo	In the field of Renewable Energy at Lima, Peru.	Lima / Sol
UK	Donald Trump	For setting up of bio-gas and bio-CNG plants in the Punjab state. MoU has been signed with Rika Biofuels Development Ltd UK by Punjab Bureau of Industrial Promotion (PBIP) and Punjab Energy Development Agency (PEDA).	London / Pound sterling
Nepal	Bidhya Devi Bhandari	To expand their partnership for socio-economic development on the basis of principles of equality, trust, respect and mutual benefit. Importance of trade and economic ties	Kathmandu / Nepalese rupee
Panama	Juan Carlos Varela	On exemption of Visas for holders of Diplomatic and Official Passports and in the field of Agriculture. Two centres for Biodiversity and Innovation will be setup by India in Panama worth US \$10 mn and US \$15 mn each.	Panama City / United States Dollar, Panamanian balboa
Guatemala	Jimmy Morales	For expanding cooperation in the area of diplomatic training. It aims for strengthening diplomatic cooperation through Respective Foreign Service Institutes in the educational field.	Guatemala City / Guatemalan quetzal

BANKING & BUSINESS

Paytm Introduces 'Tap Card' Offline Payments Solution:

- **One97 Communications Limited**, the owner of digital payment major, Paytm, announced the launch of its offline payments solution - **the Paytm Tap Card**.
- Paytm Tap Card is a solution that also addresses any network-related concerns at the consumers' or merchants' end.
- Paytm Tap Card uses **near-field communication (NFC)** technology to enable safe and convenient digital payments, completely offline at Paytm-issued NFC PoS terminals.
- To make payments, users can add money from their Paytm account by scanning the QR code on the Tap Card and by authenticating it at any of the add value machines (AVM).

GAIL signs Rs2,000 crore loan agreement with SBI:

- **The State-owned gas utility GAIL India** has borrowed **Rs2,000 crore** loan from **State Bank of India (SBI)** to meet its general capital expenditure requirement.
 - The loan is for a **15-year tenure**. The pact was signed in the presence of GAIL director (finance) **Subir Purkayastha** and SBI general manager **S.K. Pradhan**.
 - Gail Limited is the largest state-owned natural gas processing and distribution company in India.
- GAIL**
- Headquarters: **New Delhi**
 - CEO: **B. C. Tripathi**

India is Second Fastest in Passenger Traffic Growth:

- India has been projected to be the second fastest growing country in the **world for passenger traffic** by the **Airports Council International (ACI)** in its traffic forecasts between 2017-40.
- The Airports Council International has put **Vietnam at the top position** with a 8.5% growth rate, followed by India at 7.5% and Iran at 7.3%. China has been placed at the 8th position with 5.9% growth rate.
- ACI has placed the Indira Gandhi International Airport in **New Delhi** among the top twenty busiest airports in the world, putting it at the 16th position.

SEBI Tightens KYC Norms For FPIs:

- Sebi recently came out with a detailed framework for risk-based **Know Your Client (KYC)** documentation of **Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs)**. Among other things, the market regulator made it clear that non-resident Indians (NRIs), overseas citizens of India (OCI)

and resident Indians cannot be beneficial owners of FPIs.

- NRIs and OCIs can only obtain an FPI licence on condition that they limit their roles to investment advisors and do not invest their money.
- Sebi further sought a comprehensive list of beneficial owners from the existing FPIs within six months.
- **SEBI**
- Headquarters: **Mumbai**
- Chairman: **Ajay Tyagi**

Cognizant Acquires Belgium-Based Hedera Consulting:

- The **IT firm Cognizant** has acquired privately-held **Hedera Consulting**. It is a move that will strengthen the former's consulting and digital transformation capabilities for clients in Belgium and the Netherlands.
- The purchase further expands Cognizant's consulting, business insight and digital transformation capabilities for clients in **Belgium** and the **Netherlands**.
- Hedera was founded in 2009, and it specialises in business advisory and data analytics services across sectors, helping clients in areas like growth strategy, innovation, marketing, sales and customer service.
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India: 11th Spot In AT Kearney FDI Confidence Index 2018

- **India** has slipped by three spots to **11th position in the FDI Confidence Index 2018** of global consultancy firm **A T Kearney**. It is the first time since 2015 that India has been pushed out of the top 10.
- India was ranked 8th in 2017.
- The **United States (US)** topped the index, followed by Canada at 2nd and Germany at the 3rd place.
- The **AT Kearney Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) Confidence Index** is an annual survey of the business executives that ranks countries which are likely to attract the most FDI in the next three years.

India's 7% Projected Growth Rate For The Current Fiscal: ADB

- The **Asian Development Bank (ADB)** has said, India's projected GDP growth of over **7 percent** for the current fiscal is amazingly fast and if this momentum is maintained, the size of the economy can double within a decade.
- ADB has projected India to remain the fastest growing Asian nation with **7.3 percent growth in 2018-19, and 7.6 percent in 2019-20**.

LuLu Financial Group begins operations in Hong Kong:

- **LuLu Financial Group**, the financial services and payments solution brand, has started operations in Hong Kong with the inauguration of its head office at **Kowloon**.
- The group acquired 100 per cent ownership of a local financial services company in Hong Kong, adding five more branches to its global network. Branded as LuLu Money, this is
- LuLu Financial Group's **10th country** of operation, and second in the APAC region, after Philippines.
- LuLu Money retail outlets will offer money transfer, retail currency exchange and import and export of currencies.

RBI announced Rs.10,000 crore bond purchases:

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) will buy government bonds worth up to **Rs10,000 crore**.
- It is a move that could bring some relief to the bond market which is reeling under the pressure of rising yields despite a slew of regulatory measures.
- The purchase of securities will be made under the central bank's **open market operations (OMOs)**.
- Last week, RBI withdrew the clause that forced **foreign portfolio investors (FPIs)** to buy government bonds and state development loans with at least three years of residual maturity.

CBDT Approves Amendment Of India-Kuwait Tax Agreement:

- **The Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT)** has notified the protocol amending the **Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement (DTAA)** between **India and Kuwait**.
 - The amendment also enables sharing of information received from Kuwait for tax purposes with other law enforcement agencies, subject to an authorisation of the competent authority of Kuwait and vice versa.
 - As per the CBDT, the protocol to amend the existing agreement between India and Kuwait was signed in **June, 2006 for the avoidance of double taxation**.
- Kuwait**
- Capital: **Kuwait City**
 - Currency: **Kuwaiti dinar**

NSDL payment bank to open in a month:

- **National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL)** expects to launch its payment bank's operations within a month as it is awaiting Reserve Bank's nod. It will be a digital bank focussed on making **digital payments**.

- NSDL has already obtained license from the apex bank and filed an application seeking clearance for launching operations.
- NSDL is currently storing certificates of as many as 40 universities in the country.
- **Managing director and CEO NSDL: GV Nageswar Rao**

India slips to 6th spot in biz optimism index; sentiment weakest since 2014: Thornton

- As per **Grant Thornton's Survey** – After topping the chart for four years, **India** has slipped at the **sixth place** in the index, with a score of 89 in the first quarter of 2018. This occur with a weakening currency and a surge in oil prices in the country.
- The top five nations are **Austria, Finland, Indonesia, the Netherlands** and the **US**.
- The conclusions are based on a quarterly global business survey of **2,500 businesses in 37 economies**.

Google Launches Android Things 1.0 Ready for Commercial IoT:

- Google has officially launched the stable version of its embedded operating system platform **Android Things 1.0** is now available for download and use.
- To be used for **building commercial Internet of Things products**.

Yahoo Squirrel Group Chat App Unveiled for Android and iOS, Invite-Only for Now:

- **Yahoo** has just entered the **densely competitive market of messaging apps** by releasing its own new group chat app named **Squirrel**.
- The app is currently still in testing – is now listed on Google Play and the App Store and is invite-only for now.
- Squirrel focuses mainly on **group chats** and has many features that let you organise and **streamline conversations with several people**.

Indian tea industry records highest ever production, export in FY18:

- **Indian tea industry** has recorded the **highest ever production** as well as exports in **FY18**. The total tea production was **1325.05 million kgs**, an increase of 74.56 million kgs as compared to 2016-17. In percentage terms the increase is **around 6%**.
- The quantity of tea exports increased by **12.71% to 28.94 million kgs** during **2017-18** as compared to the corresponding period last year, while the revenue earned from exports saw a rise of \$ 95.19 million (13.78%).

China's Alibaba buys Pakistan e-commerce firm Daraz:

- Chinese e-commerce giant **Alibaba** said it had purchased leading Pakistani online retailer **Daraz**, continuing its overseas expansion by

gaining a foothold in the growing South Asian consumer market.

- Daraz, founded in 2012, was purchased from Rocket Internet, a **Berlin-based incubator of online startups**.

AAI, Harris ink Rs 945-cr deal for futuristic telecom infrastructure:

- The **Airports Authority of India (AAI)** signed a **Rs 945-crore deal** with the **Harris Corporation** of the US for development of its **Futuristic Telecommunications Infrastructure (FTI)** programme.
- The **15-year contract** was signed at the sixth edition of the S-India aviation summit.
- **Harris Corporation** will serve as the **prime contractor** and systems integrator for the programme, which is to be implemented **over a period of two years**.
- It will upgrade **network operations**, enhance security and improve the performance, reliability and quality of the air traffic management communications network, while reducing telecommunications costs.

Paytm introduces automatic recurring payments:

- Similar to standing instructions for bank accounts, the **'My Payments'** feature on the Paytm app can be used for high-value payments for a variety of cases.
- Paytm introduced **automatic recurring payments**, a new feature that lets users configure the payments app to pay for periodic recurring expenses automatically.
- The company expects the feature to significantly boost bank-to-bank transactions on Paytm, which it sees crossing Rs.60,000 crore a month by December.

Paytm Founder : Vijay Shekhar Sharma

WPI inflation rises to 3.18 % in April:

- Inflation based on **Wholesale Price Index (WPI)** shot up to **3.18 per cent** in April due to increasing prices of petrol and diesel as well as fruits and vegetables.
- It stood at 2.47 per cent in March and 3.85 per cent in April last year.
- According to data released by the **Commerce Ministry** said, inflation in food articles was at 0.87 per cent in April 2018, as against a deflation of 0.29 per cent in the preceding month

Fino Payments Bank launches digital suite of products – UPI, Fastag, Online account opening and Netbanking:

- As the next step to its tech-assisted physical network, **Fino Payments Bank** launched a **suite of digital products** that can be accessed online and through mobile phones.
- The focus is to build the transaction platform, said Rishi Gupta, MD and CEO, Fino Payments Bank.

Fino payments bank launched a digital suite

- **Fino Payments Bank** has launched a digital services suite with the intention of helping the

bank expand its footprint in the digital banking and payments space.

- The digital stack will facilitate extension of the bank's digital efforts and help it provide simple and convenient banking to its customers.
- The bank had launched an app **BPay** in **September 2017**, which will be the key driver for digital transition of customers from assisted to self-service mode.

FINO Payments Bank

- Chairman, Independent Director – **Mahendra Kumar Chouhan**
- Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer – **Rishi Gupta**
- Headquarters – **Mumbai, Maharashtra**.

China launches first India-dedicated investment fund:

- **China's largest bank, the Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (ICBC)**, has launched the country's first India-dedicated publicly offered investment fund, the bank .
- The fund, named the **ICBC Credit Suisse India Market Fund**, will "invest in exchange-traded funds listed on more than 20 exchanges in Europe and the US that are based on the Indian market.
- As per the memorandum of the committee, the panel will look into the import of uranium for nuclear plants, mining activities and environment, upgrading of India Post offices and the drought situation in the country among other matters.

ICBC (Industrial and Commercial Bank of China)

- **President of ICBC** – Gu Shu
- **Headquarters of ICBC** – Beijing, China

RBI puts Dena Bank under prompt corrective action:

- **Reserve Bank** has initiated **prompt corrective action** against public sector lender **Dena Bank** in view of high non-performing loans, restricting the bank from giving fresh credit and new hiring.
- The public sector lender reported **widening of its net loss to Rs 1,225.42 crore** in the **March quarter** on mounting bad loans and higher provisioning to cover them.

Dena Bank

- Headquarters: **Mumbai**
- CEO: **Shri. Ashwani Kumar**
- Tagline: **Trusted Family Bank**

India's growth to accelerate to 7.3% in next fiscal, says Fitch:

- Credit rating agency **Fitch** has said that India's economic growth **will accelerate to 7.3 per cent** in the current financial year ending **March 2019 (FY19)** and **7.5 per cent** in the **next fiscal (FY20)**.
- In its **second-quarter Sovereign Credit Overview** for Asia Pacific region.

Fitch Ratings

- Headquarters: **New York, United States**

• CEO: **Paul Taylor**

YES Bank to launch water-security programme:

- **YES Bank** is all set to roll out a capacity building project with farmers in **Haryana** and **Rajasthan** under its '**Livelihood and Water Security**' CSR initiative.
- This initiative is aimed at **improving farmers'** access to finance, ensuring effective use of digital banking resources, and imparting good agricultural practices.

Yes Bank launches Agenda 25*25:

- YES Bank and YES Global Institute have launched **Agenda 25x25**, which pledges to create a synergetic startup environment for budding women entrepreneurs in India.
- The effort would ensure that by **2025 at least 25% of all entrepreneurs in India are women.**
- The bank made the announcement **at the YES Bank – YES Global Institute Annual Startup Conclave** hosted in partnership with NITI Aayog, Invest India, Startup India and Atal Innovation Mission.
- A study by YES Bank-YES Global Institute, 'Putting Women First: Building the Start-up Ecosystem Ground Up' was released at the conclave.

Yes Bank empanelled as 'Settlement Bank' for NSE:

- **Yes Bank** has received approval from **National Stock Exchange** to be empanelled as 'Settlement Bank' for **National Securities Clearing Corporation** (NSCCL), a wholly owned subsidiary of NSE.
- The services will include **Electronic Funds Transfer** (ETF) facilities and 'anywhere' banking. YES BANK will provide facilities including issuing bank guarantees, credit facilities and inter-bank funds transfer as well as free of cost funds transfer across centers for NSE's members.
- YES BANK is already an empanelled Clearing Bank for the **BSE, NCDEX and MCX.**

YES Bank

- Headquarters: **Mumbai**
- CEO: **Rana Kapoor**
- Tagline: **Experience our Expertise**

Bharti Airtel completes merger with Telenor India:

- **Telecom major Bharti Airtel Ltd.** today completed the merger of the Indian arm of **Telenor Communications** with itself.
- The deal will enable Airtel to further bolster its spectrum footprint in these seven circles, with the addition of 43.4 MHz spectrum in the 1800 MHz band – widely known as 2G spectrum, but it is now being used for 4G services as well.
- Airtel will now begin integrating Telenor India's operations across seven circles – Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Maharashtra, Gujarat, UP (East), UP (West) and Assam, the statement added.

Foxconn unit writes off another \$40 million in Snapdeal investment:

- FIH Mobile, the investment subsidiary of Foxconn Technology Group, the world's largest contract manufacturing giant, has written off an additional **\$40 million** of its \$200 million bet on Gurgaon-based online marketplace Snapdeal.

India third largest solar market in the world: Mercom Communications

- **Mercom Communications**, India emerged as the **third largest solar market** in the world in 2017 behind **China and the US.**
- As per the report, India set a new record with 9.6 GW of solar installations in 2017, which was more than double the 4.3 GW installed in 2016.
- Mercom Communications India is an arm of global clean energy consulting firm Mercom Capital Group.

Mercom Capital Group

- CEO: **Raj Prabhu**

India Grants of 18.07 released for nepal for river training:

- India has released grant of NRs. (Nepalese Rupees) 18.07 crore for river training and construction of embankments along Lalbakeya, Bagmati and Kamla rivers in Nepal.
- Indian Ambassador to Nepal Manjeev Singh Puri handed over a cheque of grant to Dr. Sanjay Sharma, Secretary Ministry of Energy, Irrigation & Water Resources, Nepal in Kathmandu.
- It aimed at flood control and water resources management, which benefit several million people inhabiting in the watershed of these rivers in India and Nepal.

NTPC Inks Pact To Acquire 3 Projects In Bihar:

- **NTPC** inked a pact with Bihar and its power utilities to acquire their entire stake in two joint ventures at **Nabinagar and Kanti**, and to buy Barauni thermal plant.
- The transactions would enable NTPC to have 100 per cent stake in Nabinagar and Kanti JV projects, which is part the company's broad objective of acquiring state-owned generation units across the country.

NALCO Inks MoU With Government of India for FY 2018-19:

- Aluminium major & Navratna CPSE **National Aluminium Company Limited** (NALCO) has signed MoU with the Ministry of Mines, Govt. of India, setting highest ever target of Rs 9350 crore revenue from operations for FY 2018-19 which is 15% higher than last year.
- The MoU was signed between Shri **Anil Gopishankar Mukim**, Secretary, Ministry of Mines, GoI and **Dr.Tapan Kumar Chand, CMD, NALCO.** The MoU has also set a target of 2.1 million tons for production of Alumina with 100%

capacity utilisation & an optimum Aluminium production target of 4.15 lakh tonnes.

- The Company has set a challenging CAPEX target of **Rs.1100 crore** for the year 2018-19.

India fastest growing economy at 7.4 percent in 2018: IMF

- **The International Monetary Fund (IMF)** reaffirmed that India will be the fastest growing major economy in 2018, with a growth rate of **7.4 percent that rises to 7.8 percent** in 2019 with medium-term prospects remaining positive.
- The IMF's Asia and Pacific Regional Economic Outlook report said that India was recovering from the effects of demonetisation and the introduction of the Goods and Services Tax.
- The consumer price increase in 2017 was **3.6 percent** and projected it to be **five percent in 2018 and 2019.**
- After India, Bangladesh is projected to be the fastest-growing economy in South Asia with growth rates of seven percent for 2018 and 2019.

World's Largest e-Commerce Deal: Walmart Buys Flipkart

- **Walmart Inc.** is set to announce the purchase of a majority stake in **Flipkart** in a deal that will value India's largest online retailer at more than **\$21 billion**, making it the **world's biggest ever e-commerce acquisition.**
- The deal is expected to be made public on Wednesday with Walmart chief executive Doug McMillon in India. Walmart will buy roughly **70% of Flipkart.**
- **Google** is expected to purchase up to **5% in Flipkart.**
- Flipkart CEO: **Binny Bansal**
- Walmart CEO: **Doug McMillon**

BSE Becomes 1st Indian Stock Exchange To Get US SEC's DOSM Recognition:

- **BSE**, Asia's oldest stock exchange, **has become the first Indian exchange to be recognised as a designated offshore securities market (DOSM) by the U.S.**
- The **DOSM status** allows sale of securities to US investors through the trading venue of BSE without registration of such securities with the US SEC, which eases the trades by US investors in India.
- The recognition will also enhance the attractiveness of **Indian Depository Receipts (IDRs) amongst US investors.**

Indian Economy Projected to Grow 7.6% in 2018-19: UN Report

- **According to UN World Economic Situation and Prospects (WESP)**, the GDP growth in India is expected to climb to **7.5 and 7.6 percent** in fiscal years 2017-18 and 2018-19 respectively.
- The World economic growth is now forecast to reach 3.2 per cent both in 2018 and 2019, an upward revision by 0.2 and 0.1 percentage points.

Microsoft Buys Conversational AI Company Semantic Machines:

- **Microsoft** Corporate Vice President and Chief Technology Officer of AI & Research **David Ku** announced the acquisition of Berkeley, California-based conversational AI company **Semantic Machines**.
- The natural language processing technology developed by **Semantic Machines** will be integrated into Microsoft's products like Cortana and the Azure Bot Service.
- One of Semantic Machines' core products is its Conversation Engine.
- With the acquisition of Semantic Machines, Microsoft will establish a **conversational AI center of excellence in Berkeley**.

Bank of Baroda Locates Major Operations at GIFT City:

- **State-owned Bank of Baroda** has consolidated all its operational activities at a shared service center (SSC), which employs over 2,000 people, **at Gujarat's GIFT City**.
- Operational services such as retail loan processing, deposit account opening, forex transactions, call center, among others have been migrated to the SSC.
- It is the **first India bank** to actually move a lots operations to the smart city. Some other banks have already opened branches and representative offices there.
- **Gujarat International Finance Tec-City** is a business district promoted by the Government of Gujarat through a joint venture company. GIFT City is India's first operational smart city and international financial services centre.

Bank of Baroda

- Headquarters: **Alkapuri, Vadodara**
- CEO: **P. S. Jayakumar**

India to Achieve 9% Growth Rate by 2022: NITI Aayog

- **NITI Aayog vice-chairman Rajiv Kumar** announced that that Indian economy will achieve **9 percent growth rate** on sustained basis by **2022** on the back of reforms like GST, demonetisation and the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC).
- Indian economy grew by 6.6 percent in 2017-18 and expected to grow at 7.5 percent this fiscal.
- He pointed out that Indian economy averaged 8.3 percent from 2003-11.

SoftBank confirms selling 'entire stake' in Flipkart to Walmart:

- **Japan's SoftBank** has decided to sell its over **21 percent stake in e-commerce major Flipkart to US retailer Walmart** for an estimated **USD 4 billion**. SoftBank had invested USD 2.5 billion in Flipkart last year.
- It paves the way for the Walmart to acquire a **77% stake in India's largest online retailer**.

- Walmart had recently announced that it will pay about **USD 16 billion to buy about 77 percent stake in Flipkart**. While significant shareholders in the Bengaluru-based company like Naspers, venture fund Accel Partners and eBay had agreed to sell their shares.
- While SoftBank is now exiting Flipkart, it continues to be a significant investor in Flipkart's rival Paytm Mall.

Soft Bank

- CEO: **Masayoshi Son**
- Headquarters: **Minato, Tokyo, Japan**

Finance ministry ties up with 40 companies loans under Mudra scheme:

- The **Finance Ministry** has tied up with 40 entities including Flipkart, Swiggy, Patanjali and Amul, for extending loans to small entrepreneurs.
- Under the tie-up, it aims to identify people who can be given funds under the **Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY)**. Last fiscal the government has extended Rs 2.53 lakh crore credit under the Mudra Yojana, while Rs 5.73 lakh crore has been extended in last 3 years.
- The companies, which have tied up with the financial services department for this, include Make My Trip, Zomato, Meru Cab, Muthoot, Edelweiss, Amazon, Ola, Amazon, Big Basket, Carz on Rent and Habib Salon.
- PMMY was launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on **April 8, 2015**, for providing loans of up to **Rs 10 lakh** to the non-corporate, non-farm small/micro enterprises.

Justice Srikrishna to chair panel discussion on governance, data privacy:

- **Justice BN Srikrishna**, who heads the committee on framing new data protection norms for India, will chair a panel discussion on governance.
- The discussion on **'Future of Governance'** will focus on various aspects related to data privacy, an issue that has become increasingly relevant in the digital era.
- According to a statement, the event is being organised as part of a series of talks on Digital Technologies and their impact on society, human psyche and economies. It is hosted by **India International Centre (IIC) in collaboration with NITI Aayog and Centre for Policy Research (CPR)**.

First commercial flight of AP lands at Pasighat under UDAN Scheme:

- The **air-connectivity in Arunachal Pradesh** was fulfilled with flagging off of the first fixed-wing commercial aircraft from Pasighat to Guwahati by Chief Minister Pema Khandu. Under the Udan scheme eight locations in Arunachal Pradesh have been selected.
- The Air India Ltd agreed to start ATR-42 services of Alliance Air to Pasighat from **Gopinath**

Bordoloi airport at Guwahati, connecting the state with rest of the country.

RBI Slaps Rs 5-cr Penalty on South Indian Bank:

- **The Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has imposed a penalty of **₹5 crore** on **South Indian Bank (SIB)** for non-compliance with its directions on **Income Recognition and Asset Classification (IRAC)** norms, **Know Your Customer (KYC)** norms and treasury function.
- The penalty has also been imposed on the Thrissur-headquartered private sector bank for deficiencies in its compliance function and compliance culture.

Tata Steel acquired Bhushan Steel:

- **Bamnipal Steel Ltd (BNPL)**, a wholly-owned subsidiary of **Tata Steel**, has successfully completed the acquisition of controlling stake of **72.65 per cent in Bhushan Steel Ltd (BSL)**.
- Tata Steel Ltd had won the bid to acquire **debt-laden Bhushan Steel Ltd (BSL)** in an insolvency auction. The bankrupt firm was among the 12 stressed assets the RBI had referred for NCLT proceedings last year.
- Country's largest lender SBI will be the biggest beneficiary of resolution of debt-ridden Bhushan Steel.

MCX launches India's first copper options contracts:

- India's **Multi Commodity Exchange** has launched the country's **first copper options contracts**.
- Three contracts expiring in June, August and November with a lot size of 1 tonne were launched. The exchange had also launched crude oil options earlier this month.
- In order to encourage active participation in the market the exchange is not levying any transaction fees on all the commodity options contracts **till September 30, 2018**.

Multi Commodity Exchange

- Headquarters: **Mumbai**
- CEO: **Mrugank M. Paranjape**

APPOINTMENTS

S.no	Designation	Current	Previous
1.	Chairman of Insurance Regulatory Development Authority of India (IRDAI)	Shubash Khuntia	T S Vijayan
2.	Deputy Chief Minister of Jammu & Kashmir	Kavinder Gupta	Nirmal Singh
3.	Chief Coach for the Indian Men's Hockey Team President of Hockey India	Harendra Singh Rajinder Singh	Dutchman Sjoerd Marijne Mariamma Koshy
4.	27th Principal Spokesperson of the Government of India and Director General of Press Information Bureau (PIB)	Sitanshu Ranjan Kar	Frank Noronha
5.	Chairman of the 21-member Public Accounts Committee of Parliament.	Mallikarjun Kharge	KV Thomas
6.	Full-Time Member of 15th Finance Commission Chairman of 15th Finance Commission	Ashok Lahiri N. K. Singh	
7.	Acting Governor of Manipur	Jagdish Mukhi	
8.	Deputy Chairman of CII (Confederation of Indian Industry) Eastern Region (ER).	Chandra Sekhar Ghosh	
9.	One year Extension for Cabinet Secretary	Pradeep Kumar Sinha (till June 12, 2019)	
10.	Next Ambassador of India to the Sultanate of Oman	Munu Mahawar	
11.	CEO of Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI)	Pawan Kumar Agarwal	
12.	Textiles Minister	Smriti Irani	
13.	Information and Broadcasting Ministry of Independent Charge	Rajyavardhan Rathore (Additional Charge)	Smriti Irani
14.	Minister of State, Electronics and Information Technology	S.S. Ahluwalia	Alphons Kannanthanam
15.	Finance and Corporate Affairs Minister	Piyush Goyal (Temporary Charge)	Arun Jaitley (Till he recovers from kidney transplant surgery)
16.	Independent chairman of the International Cricket Council (ICC).	Shashank Manohar	
17.	Chairman of the Lalit Kala Akademi.	Uttam Pachame	
18.	Chairperson of Odisha Tourism Development Corporation (OTDC)	Dilip Tirkey	
19.	First Female director of the CIA, Central Intelligence Agency	Gina Haspel	
20.	Secretary of Information And Broadcasting Ministry.	Amit Khare	
21.	Secretary of Commerce And Petroleum	M M Kuttu	
22.	Chairman-cum-Managing Director (CMD) of Coal India Limited.	Anil Kumar Jha	
23.	Director of BHEL	Pravin L Agrawal	
24.	MD & CEO of Airtel Payments Bank	Anubrata Biswasa	
25.	Chairman of the Press Council of India (PCI)	C K Prasad	
26.	Non-Executive Chairperson of Punjab & Sind Bank	Charan Singh (Former RBI Director)	
27.	Non-Executive Chairperson of Dena Bank	Anjali Bansal (MD of TPG Private Equity)	
28.	Non-Executive Chairperson of Central Bank of India.	Tapan Ray (former Corporate Affairs Secretary)	
29.	Chief Minister of Karnataka	HD Kumaraswamy	
30.	Vice-President of Badminton Asia Confederation (BAC)	Himanta Biswa Sarma	
31.	1st South Asian to be Elected in Oregon	Susheela Jayapal	
32.	Head Coach of Australian Cricket Team	Justin Langer	Darren Lehmann
33.	Prime Minister of Italy	Giuseppe Conte	
34.	First female chief of New York Stock Exchange (NYSE)	Stacey Cunningham	
35.	Re-elected Venezuela President	Nicolas Maduro	
36.	Won Iraq Parliamentary Election	Moqtada al-Sadr	
37.	Independent Director of ICICI Bank	Radhakrishnan Nair	
38.	Head of Google's cloud business in India	Nitin Bawankule	

39.	Elected President of Costa Rica	Carlos Alvarado	Luis Guillermo Solis
40.	Elected President of Russia for the 4 th time	Vladimir Putin	
41.	Elected President of Armenia Elected Prime Minister of Armenia	Armen Sarkissian Nikol Pashinyan	Serzh Sargsyan Karen Karapetyan
42.	Indian- American Woman - Interim Judge to the Civil Court of New York City	Deepa Ambekar (Second) Raja Rajeswari (First)	
43.	First female board member of Saudi Aramco	Lynn Elsenhans	
44.	World’s Oldest Prime Minister -Malaysia	Mahathir Mohamad (92)	
45.	Vice President of WhatsApp	Chris Daniels	Jan Koum
46.	Head of USIBC India (U.S India Business Council)	Ambika Sharma	

Resignation:

New York State attorney general - **Eric T. Schneiderman**
Flipkart co-founder- **Sachin Bansal**

Ambassadors:

Green Ambassador of the Sikkim State - **Singer Mohit Chauhan**
Online pharmacy Netmeds- **Cricketer Mahendra Singh Dhoni**

AWARDS & HONOURS

S.no	Awards	Winner
1.	26th PC Chandra Puraskaar Award 2018	Legendary Singer Asha Bhosle
2.	ONV Literary Prize	Jnanpith laureate M T Vasudevan Nair
3.	‘Excellent Woman of Excellence’ category in Annual WEF 2018 Awards	Nisha Bhalla
4.	11th KISS Humanitarian Award 2018	Prof Muhammad Yunus
5.	CREDAI-MCHI Golden Pillar Award for the Best CSR Programme of the Year	Kalpataru Limited
6.	Swara Mauli title Award	Veteran singer Lata Mangeshkar
7.	RedInk Award for ‘Journalist of the Year’ category Lifetime Achievement Category	Faye D’Souza William Mark Tully
8.	Nikkei Asia Prize in Japan	Dr Bindeshwar Pathak (Founder of Sulabh International)
9.	Shri Jayadev Rastriya Yuva Pratibha Puraskar 2018’	Anindita Anaam (US-based Kathak dancer)
10.	DRDO Lifetime Achievement Award DRDO Technology Leadership Award	Dr V K Saraswat (2017); Dr Vasudev Kalkunte Aatre (2016) Dr G Satheesh Reddy (2016)
11.	League Managers’ Association (LMA) special achievement award	John Gregory (Chennaiyin FC head coach)
12.	charity award in UK	India’s Jagriti Yatra
13.	S&P Global Platts Global Metals Award 2018	NMDC Ltd
14.	Honoured by European Union for strengthening Europe-India cultural ties.	<i>Megastar Amitabh Bachchan</i>
15.	Man Booker International Prize for fiction - “Flights” novel	Polish novelist Olga Tokarczuk
16.	Clarivate Analytics India Innovation Award 2018 in the Government Research Organizations Category	Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR)
17.	Nari Shakti Puraskar 2017	INSV Tarini team

British Council awards for three Indian alumni of UK universities:

Three Indian alumni of UK universities have been awarded by the **British Council** for their outstanding achievements and contribution to the country.
‘**Professional Achievement Award**’: **Saumya Saxena**, an alumni of the University of Cambridge and the University of Oxford.
‘**Social Impact Award**’: **Ruchi Shah**, a post graduate of the University of the Arts London.
‘**Entrepreneurial Award**’: **Sushant Desai**, a post graduate from the University of Edinburgh.

Cannes Film Festival 2018:

The **71st annual Cannes Film Festival** was held from 8 to 19 May 2018 in Paris, France.
Opening film: Everybody Knows
Closing film: The Man Who Killed Don Quixote

Here's the Winner List of Awards

Palme d’Or
Shoplifters, dir: Hirokazu Kore-Eda
Grand Prize
Spike Lee, BlacKkKlansman
Jury Prize
Nadine Labaki, Capernaum
Special Palme d’Or
Jean-Luc Godard, Image Book
Best Actor
Marcello Fonte, Dogman

Best Director

Pawel Pawlikowski, Cold War

Best Screenplay

TIE
Alice Rohrwacher, Happy As Lazzaro
Nader Saeivar, 3 Faces

Best Actress

Samal Yeslyamova, My Little One

Caméra d’Or

Girl, dir: Lukas Dhont

Short Film Palme d’Or

All These Creatures, dir: Charles Williams
Special Mention: On The Border, dir: Wei Shujun

SPORTS

India bag Silver & Bronze in Archery World Cup Stage II in Turkey:

• In **Archery**, India has opened its account at the second stage of the **World Cup Stage II** at **Antalya in Turkey** with a Silver and a Bronze medal in the Compound section.

• The Women's team of **Jyothi Vennam, Muskan Kirar and Divya Dhayal** settled for a **Silver** after losing to their Chinese Taipei opponents by three points. Later, the third-seeded Mixed pair of **Jyothi** and **Abhishek Verma** won the **Bronze medal** play-off to bag the second medal for India.

BCCI goes 'green' by joining hands with United Nations:

• BCCI acting secretary **Amitabh Choudhary** and **Erik Solheim**, Executive Director of UN Environment, signed a letter of intent at the board's headquarters ahead of the IPL 2018 final between Chennai Super Kings and Sunrisers Hyderabad at the Wankhede Stadium.

• The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) and UN Environment has signed an agreement to **promote 'green' cricket in India**.

• The partnership aims to spread greater awareness about key environmental challenges facing the country, and highlight alternate and more sustainable solutions. The BCCI will endeavor to reduce its environmental impact by greening operations and engaging cricketers and fans in green initiatives.

Japan Win Uber Cup To End 37-Year Drought:

• **Japan** women beat finalists **Thailand** 3-0 to win the Uber Cup in Bangkok and end their 37-year long wait for the title.

• The **Uber Cup** is called the World Team Championships for Women, is a major international badminton competition contested by women's national badminton teams.

• The Uber Cup is second in prestige only to the Olympics as a national team event.

WHO, Russia launch new campaign for football World Cup 2018:

• A **new video campaign** has been launched targeting football fans on the occasion of the **World Cup 2018** next month **to promote healthier and more active lives**.

• The series of videos have been produced jointly by **WHO, Russia's Ministry of Health** and the 2018 World Cup Russia Local Organising Committee. It is one of many joint activities that will be implemented around the month long World Cup starting from 14th of next month.

• The campaign consists of 3 videos, each tackling key health risk issues of Tobacco use, excessive salt consumption and physical inactivity.

Istanbul to host 2020 Champions League final:

• **Istanbul's Ataturk Olympic Stadium** will host the **2020 Champions League final**, UEFA president Aleksander Ceferin confirmed in Kiev.

• The 2020 Europa League final will be played in Gdansk, Poland with the UEFA Super Cup being held in Porto's Estadio Dragao.

• **Vienna** will play host the **women's 2020 Champions League final**.

AB de Villiers Retires From International Cricket:

• **South African superstar AB de Villiers** has announced his retirement from international cricket.

• He announced it four days after his IPL franchise Royal Challengers Bangalore exited the 11th season of the lucrative Twenty20 league.

• He has represented South Africa in 114 Tests, 228 ODIs and 78 T20 Internationals.

Manika Batra, Mirabai Chanu Sign Up With IOS Sports:

• **Commonwealth gold medal-winning table tennis player Manika Batra and weightlifter Mirabai Chanu** have signed multi-year agreements with sports management firm **IOS Sports & Entertainment**.

• **IOS** will now manage their endorsements, appearances, brand profiling, patents, licensing and digital rights, images, and visibility on social networking sites.

• With this deal, Batra and Chanu join the likes of boxers MC Mary Kom and Vijender Singh on the IOS roster.

Iraq to hold first International Football tournament:

• **Iraq is to host a West Asia Football Federation championship** in the southern city of Basra in November, the first international tournament to be staged in the country since the 1990s. Iraq has not played competitive internationals on home turf since its 1990 invasion of Kuwait.

• Iraqi authorities hailed WAFF's invitation to host the tournament, following the decision in March of world football's governing body Fifa to lift a three-decade ban on Iraq hosting international football.

Bala Prasath Wins Formula Junior Racing Series 2018 Championship:

• **Local racer Bala Prasath** has claimed the **Formula Junior Racing Series 2018 championship**. Bengaluru's Sohil clinched the second place.

• The Formula Junior Racing Series 2018 Championship, organised by **MECO Motorsports**, was introduced in 2016 to provide a platform to drivers coming out of the winter season to prepare for the National Championships.

Table Tennis: Sathiyen-Shetty settle for doubles silver in Thailand

• The Indian duo of **G Sathiyen and Sanil Shetty** finished its campaign at the **Thailand Open table tennis event with a silver** in the men's doubles.

• In the final, they defeated Tobias Hippler and Kilian Ort of Germany.

Manchester United named Most Valuable Football Team:

• According to a report by accounting firm KPMG, **Manchester United** has topped the table in terms of overall value.

• The clubs were then ranked by **'enterprise value'** – an accounting measure used to assess how much it would cost to buy any given club or company as it includes a business' total debt.

• The **Red Devils'** overall value increased five percent compared to 2017 to more than 3.2 billion euros (£2.8 billion pounds, \$3.77 billion), beating **Real Madrid** on 2.9 billion euros and **FC Barcelona** on 2.8 billion euros.

Lionel Messi Wins European Golden Shoe for the 5th Time:

• **Barcelona forward Lionel Messi** has won the **European Golden Shoe** for the **fifth time**.

• He claimed the prize after scoring 34 goals in La Liga this season. He also won the award last year, as well as in 2010, 2012 and 2013.

• Four-time winner **Cristiano Ronaldo** finished ninth in the rankings after scoring 26 goals for Real Madrid in La Liga.

Prajnesh Gunneswaran Won T.K. Ramanathan award:

• **Prajnesh Gunneswaran** won the prestigious **T.K. Ramanathan award** for the year **2017-18** at the Tamil Nadu Tennis Association (TNTA) annual day function at the SDAT tennis stadium.

• He received a cash prize of Rs. 30,000. TNTA president M.A. Alagappan gave away the prizes.

Nadal wins eighth Rome Masters title:

• Rafael Nadal has won the Rome Masters (Italian Open) **for the eighth time**. He defeated defending champion **Alexander Zverev** to clinch the title.

• Nadal remains the best clay-courter of the Open Era with an astonishing 408-36 record.

South Korea Wins 5th Women's Asian Champions Trophy:

• **South Korea** defeated India to win the **fifth Women's Asian Champions Trophy** at the **Sunrise Stadium, South Korea**.

• South Korea, thus, won the title for the third time after 2010 and 2011. India finished runners-up for the second time after having lost in the final to Japan in 2013.

• **Vandana Katariya** was declared Player of the Tournament.

Sweden retains World Ice Hockey Title:

• **Sweden** clinched the **world ice hockey** title by defeating Switzerland. Sweden won all 10 matches at the tournament.

• **Switzerland** finished runner-up for the third time after **2013 and 1935**.

• The 2018 IIHF World Championship was an international ice hockey tournament hosted by the **Denmark cities of Copenhagen and Herning**.

1st Para-National Games to be Held Under Khelo India Scheme:

- **The National Para Games**, for able-bodied athletes, will be held under the **Khelo India Scheme** in bengaluru.
- The Paralympic Committee of India will be responsible for the technical conduct of the Games while all the funding will be done **by the sports ministry** under the Khelo India Scheme.
- There will be 416 medal events while the total number of participants has been fixed at 2192.
- The events will be held at four venues — **Kanteerava Stadium, Kanteerava Indoor Stadium, SAI Centre Bengaluru and Karnataka Badminton Association Stadium.**
- Neymar won the French League’s Player of the Year award:**
- Neymar won the **French League’s Player of the Year award.**Neymar scored 19 league goals and set up another 13 in only 20 games for French champion PSG.
- **Second-place Cavani** won the award last season and is the league’s top scorer again this season with 28 goals, while Thauvin is next with 22.

Lewis Hamilton wins spanish Grand Prix 2018:

- **British driver Lewis Hamilton of Mercedes** won the Formula One Spanish Grand Prix. This is his second victory in a row after winning the **Azerbaijan GP.**
- Mercedes player **Valtteri Bottas** got second place. Red Bull’s Max Verstappen came third, followed by Ferrari’s Sebastian Vettel of Germany in fourth.

Federer replaces Nadal as number one, Djokovic on the slide:

- **Rafael Nadal’s** surprise quarter-final exit at the Madrid Masters has seen the Spaniard replaced as world number one by **Roger Federer** in the latest ATP rankings.
- Federer returns to the top spot despite not having played since March.
- **India U-16 defeat Tajikistan 4-2 to win four-nation tournament in Serbia:**
- **Indian colts** won agaisnt **Tajikistan** 4-2 and emerged as champions in the four-nation **Under-16 Tournament** held in **Serbia.**
- India finished their campaign unbeaten in three matches, accumulating seven points out of a maximum nine.

AIFF suspends Minerva owner Bajaj for a year:

- I-League champions Minerva punjab FC owner **Ranjit Bajaj was banned** for one year from all football activity and also fined Rs 10 lakh by the AIFF after the federation found him guilty of making racist remarks against a referee.
- Heena Sidhu wins shooting gold, P Shri Nivetha settles for bronze in Hannover:**
- **Hena Sidhu** fought off tough competition from Mathilde Lamolle to win the gold medal in

women’s 10m air pistol at the International Shooting Competitions of Hannover (ISCH) ahead of next week’s ISSF Munich World Cup.

- Heena was in a brilliant form in the final where she was tied with France’s Mathilde Lamolle on 239.8 points. She won the tie to win the gold ahead of Mathilde. While Shri Nivetha finished on 219.2.

Tejaswini Strikes Gold at Munich Grand Prix:

- Former World Champion **Tejaswini Sawant** continued to assert her prowess in rifle prone event by bagging the gold in the Grand Prix in Munich, Germany.

List of Winners:

- **Men: 50m rifle prone:** 1. Matthew Emmons (US)
- 2. Chain Singh (India)
- 3. Oleh Tsarkov (Ukr)
- **Women: 50m rifle prone:** 1. Tejaswini Sawant (India)
- 2. Anjum Moudgil (India)
- 3. Olivia Hofmann (Aut)

Rishabh Pant’s 128* highest individual score by an Indian in IPL:

- **Rishabh Pant** became the highest scoring (128) Indian in the history of the **Indian Premier League** as Delhi Daredevils took on the Sunrisers Hyderabad at the **Feroz Shah Kotla in New Delhi.**
- He overtook **Murali Vijay’s** 127 for Chennai Super Kings versus Rajasthan Royals **in 2010.**

Ramit Tandon won the Abu Dhabi Open squash title:

- **India’s Ramit Tandon** wins the Abu Dhabi Open. This win is his third title on the Professional Squash Association (PSA) tour.
- He has defeated number one seed **Omar Abdel Meguid of Egypt** in finals.

Indian Mixed team won silver medal in International shooting competition:

- Olympic medallist **Gagan Narang and Pooja Ghatkar** won the mixed team silver medal in the Grand Prix of Liberation international shooting competition in **Pilsen, Czech Republic.**
- **P Shri Nivetha and Amanpreet Singh** claimed the mixed air pistol silver after having topped qualification with a score of 775.
- **Mihika Poore** bagged the women’s air rifle gold and **Shri Nivetha Paramanantham** clinched the gold medal in the women’s air pistol after topping the qualification.
- In men’s rapid fire pistol, **Arpit Goel** was the best among the Indians as he shot 569 for the 18th spot.

3rd South Asian Junior Athletics Championships: India Tops With 50 Medals

- Indian junior athletes clinched overall title in the **3rd South Asian Junior Athletics Championships (SAJAC)** which concluded at **Sugathadasa Stadium in Colombo.**

- At the end of two-day meet, they bagged 20 gold, 22 silver and eight bronze medals to put India on top of the medals table.

- **Arshdeep Singh** provided India the first gold medal on the first day in the junior boy’s javelin throw event

- Hosts **Sri Lanka** and **Pakistan** took **second and third positions.**

Mohamed Salah Named Writers’ Footballer Of The Year:

- Liverpool forward **Mohamed Salah** has been named the Football Writers’ Association **Footballer of the Year.**
- Manchester City midfielder **Kevin de Bruyne** came second with Tottenham striker **Harry Kane** third.
- The Egypt star – the first African winner of the award – also won the **Professional Footballers’ Association player of the year** award in April.
- Chelsea and England forward **Fran Kirby** won the inaugural **FWA Women’s Footballer of the Year award.**

‘Star Khel Mahakumbh’ launched at Himachal Pradesh:

- A sports initiative **‘Star Khel Mahakumbh’** was launched at Dharamshala in Himachal Pradesh in the presence of 1,500 athletes. The athletes will compete in volleyball, basketball, cricket, football, kabaddi and athletics.
- The cricketing great Sachin Tendulkar and MP Anurag Thakur launched the initiative. Over Rs 1 crore will be invested in the project over the next five years.
- The initiative has been designed in a manner as to attract participation of at least one lakh youth from across 5000 villages and 800 panchayats.

India’s Neeraj Goyat Is WBC Asia Boxer Of The Year:

- **Indian pugilist Neeraj Goyat** has been conferred with the **WBC Asia Boxer of the Year Award.**
- Goyat is the current WBC Asia champion in welter-weight category.
- Neerav Tomar, promoter of IOS Boxing Promotions which manages Neeraj and Vijender Singh, was bestowed with WBC Asia honorary Promoter of the year 2017 Award by the Asian Boxing Council in Bangkok.
- Wimbledon Champions’ Prize Money Hiked By £50,000:
- The 2018 men’s and women’s singles champions **will receive £2.25 million**, an increase of **£50,000 on last year.**

- Lower-ranked players at Wimbledon will enjoy a greater uplift, with an increase of **10 percent** across qualifying and the first to fourth rounds of the singles.
- The England Club will introduce the **“50:50”** rule at this year’s Wimbledon in an attempt to prevent injury withdrawals in the opening round of the men’s and women’s singles events.

• **Wimbledon Champions** is the oldest tennis tournament in the world and has been held at the All England Club in Wimbledon, London.

Lewis Hamilton Wins Azerbaijan Grand Prix 2018:

• **Lewis Hamilton** wins at the Azerbaijan Grand Prix. Lewis Hamilton is the **Mercedes driver**.

• The 2nd place was got by **Kimi Raikkonen (Ferrari player) and 3rd by Sergio Perez (Force India player)**.

• The Azerbaijan Grand Prix is a Formula One motor race that was held for the first time in 2017. It is held on the Baku City Circuit, a street circuit in **Baku, the capital of Azerbaijan**.

Ankita Raina included in Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS):

• **Tennis player Ankita Raina**, who has displayed good form this season both in the Fed Cup and the professional circuit, was included in the government’s **Target Olympic Podium (TOP) Scheme**.

• Ankita recently broke into the top-200, reaching a career-best 197 in the WTA rankings released earlier this month.She also became the third Indian to breach the top-200 mark in women’s singles, jumping 15 places to reach 197.

• The TOP Scheme was formulated by the Union Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports within the overall ambit of **National Sports Development Fund (NSDF)**.

Justin Langer named as Australia head cricket coach:

• Cricket Australia has chosen **Justin Langer** as its new head coach.The 47-year-old Langer played for Australia for nearly 20 years, scoring 7,500 runs, including 23 centuries.

• Langer had been head coach of Western Australia state and the Perth Scorchers Twenty20 team since November 2012.

• Langer takes over for **Darren Lehmann**, who resigned after the embarrassing ball-tampering episode in March.

Shahzar Rizvi ranked World No. 1 in ISSF World rankings:

• **India’s 10m air pistol shooter Shahzar Rizvi** grabbed the No. 1 spot in ISSF World rankings. He reached this spot by winning silver medal-winning performance in the World Cup in Changwon, Korea.

Other Top-10 rankings:

• **Men: 10m air pistol:** Jitu Rai 6th;

• **10m air rifle rankings:** Ravi Kumar 4th, Deepak Kumar 9th.

• **50m rifle 3-positions:** Akhil Sheoran 4th, Sanjeev Rajput 8th.

• **Women: 10m air pistol:** Manu Bhaker 4th;

• **10m air rifle:** Mehuli Ghosh 7th.

• **50m rifle 3-positions:** Anjum 8th.

India’s CA Bhavani Devi Wins Silver at Satellite Fencing Championship:

• India’s **CA Bhavani Devi** won a **silver medal** in the sabre event of the **Tournoi World Cup Satellite Fencing Championship** in **Reykjavik, Iceland**.

Real Madrid Lifts Champions Trophy Defeating Liverpool

• Spanish football giants **Real Madrid** have claimed yet another **Champions League title** by beating English side Liverpool FC 3-1 in the final.

• The match at the NSC Olimpiyskiy Stadium in Ukraine's capital, Kiev.

Indian Premier League (IPL) 2018:

• The **2018 season** of the **Indian Premier League**, also known as **IPL 11**, is the current eleventh season of the IPL, a professional Twenty20 cricket league established by the BCCI in 2007.

• Return of the **Chennai Super Kings** and the **Rajasthan Royals** after serving two years of suspension for the involvement of their respective owners in the 2013 IPL betting case.

• **Star Sports** purchased the media rights at ₹16,347.5 crore (\$2.55 billion) for five years starting from 2018.

• **Chennai Super Kings** won by 8 wickets against Sunrisers Hyderabad in the final to **win their third title**.

• **Host Country:** India

• **Participants:** 8 (Teams) Chennai Super Kings; Delhi Daredevils; Kings XI Punjab; Kolkata Knight Riders; Mumbai Indians; Rajasthan Royals; Royal Challengers Bangalore; Sunrisers Hyderabad.

AWARDS of IPL 2018	Winners
Players of the Tournament	KKR's Sunil Narine
Most Valuable Player award (Man of the Series)	KKR's Sunil Narine
Orange Cap	Sunrisers Hyderabad skipper Kane Williamson.
Purple Cap	Kings XI Punjab's Andrew Tye
Most Stylish Player award	DD's Rishabh Pant
Emerging Player award	DD's Rishabh Pant
Most Innovative Thinking	Chennai Super Kings captain MS Dhoni
Super Sixes award	Kolkata Knight Riders' Sunil Narine
Pitch and Ground award (for venues with less than seven matches)	PCA Stadium, Mohali.
Pitch and Ground award (for venues with more than seven matches)	Eden Gardens
Catch of the Season award	Trent Boult
IPL Fairplay Award	Mumbai Indians
Big Match Player	Shane Watson

Daniel Ricciardo Wins Monaco Grand Prix 2018:

• Australian Daniel Ricciardo overcame a mid-race power loss to win the Monaco Grand Prix at Circuit de Monaco.

• Sebastian Vettel finishes second, with Lewis Hamilton third

IMPORTANT EVENTS OF THE DAY

Important Days / Events	Celebrated / Observed	Theme of 2018
International Worker’s Day and May Day	May 1 st	“Uniting Workers for Social and Economic Advancement”
World Press Freedom Day	May 3 rd	“Keeping Power in Check: Media, Justice and The Rule of Law”
World Thalassemia Day	May 8 th	“Thalassaemia past, present and future: Documenting progress and patients’ needs worldwide”.
World Red Cross Day	May 8 th	“Memorable smiles from around the world”
National Technology Day 2018	May 11 th	“Science and Technology for a Sustainable Future.”
International Nurses Day	May 12 th	‘Nurses: A voice to lead – Health is a Human Right’.
World Migratory Bird Day	May 12 th	“Unifying our Voices for Bird Conservation”
Mother’s Day	Second Sunday of May	
International Day of Families	May15 th	“Ensuring work family balance”
World Telecommunication and Information Society Day	May 17 th	“Enabling the positive use of Artificial Intelligence for All”
World Hypertension Day	May 17 th	“Know Your Numbers”
International Museum Day	May18 th	“Hyperconnected museum: New approaches, new publics”
National Anti-Terrorism Day	May 21 st	
International Day for Biological Diversity	May 22 nd	“Celebrating 25 Years of Action for Biodiversity”
World Anti-tobacco Day	May 31 st	“ Choose Health, Not Tobacco”

OBITUARY

Eminent Economist Ashok Mitra Passes Away:

- Noted scholar and the first Finance Minister in West Bengal **Ashok Mitra** has passed away.
- He also worked with the Central Government as the Chief Economic Adviser and was a member of Rajya Sabha.

Renowned Artist-Philosopher Ravinder Sharma Passes Away:

- Ravinder Sharma, fondly called Guruji, the founder of **Adilabad’s Kala Ashram** has passed away.
- Guruji had been awarded with Kala Ratna by the Andhra Pradesh State government in 2014. After bifurcation of the State, the Telangana government awarded him the Ugadi Puraskaram in 2015.
- Guruji was also conferred with D. Litt (Honoris Causa) by the SGT University, Gurugram, Haryana.

Freedom fighter Keyur Bhushan passed away:

- Well-known Gandhian, freedom fighter and writer Keyur Bhushan has passed away.**
- He penned novels, collections of short stories and poems. He also edited ‘Sapthahik Chhattisgarh’ and ‘Antyoday’. Bhushan represented Raipur constituency in the Lok Sabha in the 1990s.

Air Chief Marshal Idris Hassan Latif passes away:

- Former Chief of the Indian Air Force (IAF), Air Chief Marshal Idris Hassan Latif** has passed away.
- Latif has the distinction of being associated with three different air forces- the Royal Indian Air Force, Royal Air Force and Indian Air Force–

during pre-independence and post-independence era.

Veteran Marathi singer Arun Date passed away:

- Eminent Marathi singer **Atul Date** has passed away.
- Date, famous for non-film **‘bhavgeet’** (lyrical poetry) songs and **‘Shukratara’** and **‘Ya Janmavar’**, which became very popular among people.

Former MP minister Nirmal Hirawat dead:

- Former **Madhya Pradesh minister** and senior Congress leader **Dr Nirmal Hirawat** died of a heart attack. He was 74.

Former Test cricketer Rajinder Pal passes away:

- Former Delhi cricketer **Rajinder Pal** (right-arm fast bowler), who had represented the country in one Test match against **England in 1964** and was 80, passed away at his Dehradun residence.

Anne V. Coates Dies: Oscar-Winning ‘Lawrence Of Arabia’ Film Editor Was 92:

- British film editor **Anne V. Coates**, who won an **Oscar for David Lean’s epic film Lawrence of Arabia**, has died. She was **92**.

David Goodall, Australia’s oldest scientist, ends his own life aged 104:

- Australia’s oldest scientist, **David Goodall** (British-born), **104**, has died after choosing to end his life at a clinic **in Switzerland**.

Famous Hindi Poet And Former MP Balkavi Bairagi Passes Away:

- Famous Hindi poet and former politician Balkavi Bairagi** passed away in **Neemuch city** of Madhya Pradesh. He was **87**. He was food minister when Arjun Singh was chief minister of Madhya Pradesh.

Jivya Soma Mashe has passed away:

- Internationally acclaimed artist Jivya Soma Mashe, who catapulted Warli tribal art form to the global stage has passed away.
- He had been honoured with a Padma Shri in 2011, Prince Claus Award in 2009 and National Award for Tribal Arts in 1976.

Alan Bean fourth man To Walk On The Moon Died:

- Former US astronaut Alan Bean, who was the fourth man to walk on the Moon died in Texas, United States.
- He was 86. Bean went into space twice, the first time in November 1969 as the lunar module pilot on the Apollo 12 moon-landing mission.
- In 1973 he was commander of the second crewed flight to Skylab- America’s first space station.
- Bean retired from NASA in 1981 and carved a successful career as an artist.

Pulitzer-winning author Philip Roth passed away:

- Author Philip Roth** has passed away. Roth won the Pulitzer Prize for 1997’s “American Pastoral,”
- Roth wrote more than 30 books, including the 1991 memoir **“Patrimony,”** which examined his complex relationship with his father and won the National Book Critics Circle Award.

American-British Historian Bernard Lewis passed away:

- Bernard Lewis**, one of the leading **orientalists** on the Middle East has passed away.
- He was awarded an honorary fellowship from the SOAS in honour of his distinguished career at the school. His most recent research interest was

a) First b) Third
c) Fourth d) Sixth
e) Second
Q.23) What is India’s expenditure on military in 2017?
a) USD 13.9 billion b) USD 53.9 billion
c) USD 33.9 billion d) USD 93.9 billion
e) USD 63.9 billion
Q.24) What is the currency of Dominican Republic?
a) Rial b) Peso
c) Rand d) Euro
e) Dinar
Q.25) Who has been appointed as the Director General of Press Information Bureau (PIB) ?
a) Murli Manohar b) Rajiv Gauba
c) Sitanshu Ranjan Kar
d) Sanjay Mitra e) Sekhar Basu
Q.26) The Kanteerava Stadium is located in which of the following state?
a) Jharkhand b) Assam
c) Karnataka d) Andhra Pradesh
e) Arunachal Pradesh
Q.27) Who has been honoured with 26th PC Chandra Puraskaar for her contribution in the field of Indian music?
a) Lata Mangeshkar b) Geeta Dut
c) Anuradha Paudwal d) Asha Bhosle
e) Sadhana Sargam
Q.28) The 2018 Azerbaijan Grand Prix winner Lewis Hamilton plays for which of the following company?
a) Force India
b) Mercedes driver c) Ferrari
d) Red Bull e) None of these
Q.29) Ankita Raina is related to which of the following sports?
a) Tennis b) Badminton
c) Chess d) Hockey
e) Shooting
Q.30) When is the the World Press Freedom Day observed?
a) May 2 b) May 1
c) May 4 d) May 3
e) May 5
Q.31) Which state government has become the first state to issue a crucial land ownership document online and accept a digital signature on it as valid?
a) Jharkhand b) Gujarat
c) Maharashtra d) Madhya Pradesh
e) Kerala
Q.32) A North-eastern cultural and information centre will be established in which of the following city?
a) Imphal b) Delhi
c) Patna d) Agra
e) Dispur
Q.33) Who is the Union minister of Development of North Eastern Region?
a) Raj Kumar Singh
b) Jitendra Singh

c) Shripad Yesso Naik
d) Santosh Kumar Gangwar
e) Alphons Kannanthanam
Q.34) The bilateral trade for the year 2018 between the traders of India and China through which of the following border?
a) Purbachal b) Nathu La
c) Radoliff Line d) Durand Line
e) Palk Strait
Q.35) What is the theme of International Museum Day?
a) Museums and Contested Histories: Saying the unspeakable in museums
b) Hyperconnected museum: New approaches, new publics
c) Museums and Cultural Landscapes
d) Museums for a Sustainable Society
e) Museum and memory
Q.36) Name the new communication satellite that has been launched by China?
a) ALSTAR-6C b) AUSTAR-6C
c) APSTAR-6C d) ANSTAR-6C
e) AKSTAR-6C
Q.37) Who is the Chairman of SEBI?
a) Subhash Chandra Khuntia
b) Ashok Kumar Mathur
c) Ajay Tyagi
d) Ashwani Lohani
e) R. Chidambaram
Q.38) Which of the following IT firm has acquired Belgium-Based Hedera Consulting?
a) Wipro b) Mphasis
c) Mindtree
d) Larsen & Toubro Infotech
e) Cognizant
Q.39) Who has been appointed as the full-time member of 15th Finance Commission?
a) Mahesh Kumar Jain
b) Ashok Lahiri c) Karnal Singh
d) Utpal Bora e) Y.C. Modi
Q.40) Who has been appointed as an additional (independent) director of the ICICI bank for five years?
a) Venugopal Nair b) Ravi Krishnan Nair
c) Radhakrishnan Nair d) Naveen Nair
e) None of these
Q.41) Who has been appointed as interim judge to the civil court of New York City?
a) Kamala Prasad b) Deepa Ambekar
c) Deepika Chandran d) Vinushree Rajan
e) Kaniga Singh
Q.42) Who has been sworn in as the acting governor of Manipur?
a) Manik Sarkar
b) Pawan Kumar Chamling
c) Jagdish Mukhi
d) Dr. Mukul Sangma
e) Pema Khandu
Q.43) Name the Former Chief of the Indian Air Force (IAF) who passed away recently?
a) Aspy Engineer b) Arjan Singh
c) Idris Hassan Latif d) Dilbagh Singh

e) Swaroop Kaul
Q.44) Who is the head of 15th Finance Commission?
a) Anil Singh b) N.K Singh
c) Anup Kumar d) Birendhar Singh
e) Pradeep Kumar
Q.45) What is the abbreviation of “P” in FPI?
a) Payments b) Parity
c) Public d) Post
e) Portfolio
Q.46) Name the platform that has been launched by human resource development ministry for online professional development?
a) KANYAM b) SWAYAM
c) SWATHI d) SKVYAM
e) SUYAAM
Q.47) Where did the fourth edition of the ‘Vibrant North East’ held?
a) Rajasthan b) Haryana
c) Assam d) Chhattisgarh
e) Maharashtra
Q.48) Name the mobile app that has been launched for monitoring the health of people suffering from heart ailments and provide them with medical assistance in case of emergency?
a) MYGOV App b) Dhadkan App
c) Umang App d) Buniad App
e) None of these
Q.49) Pensioners would now be able to view their pension passbook on mobile phones with the help of which of the following app?
a) MEAIndia b) Buniad App
c) Umang app
d) Khoya Paya App e) mKavach App
Q.50) Who is the CEO of EPFO?
a) Subramanian MP b) Suresh Kumar
c) Daniel JS d) VP Joy
e) Vinoth Raj
Q.51) Under PMVVY the cabinet has approved extending the investment limit from Rs 7.5 lakh to how much amount?
a) Rs 10 lakh b) Rs 12 lakh
c) Rs 20 lakh d) Rs 15 lakh
e) Rs 18 lakh
Q.52) The PMVVY is being implemented through which of the following insurance company?
a) Life Insurance Corp
b) Bajaj Allianz General Insurance
c) Cholamandalam MS General Insurance
d) Bharti AXA General Insurance
e) ICICI Lombard
Q.53) The State-run Power Grid Corporation of India (PGCIL) has inked a pact with the ministry of power to incur capital expenditure of how much amount?
a) Rs 21,000 crore b) Rs 15,000 crore
c) Rs 10,000 crore d) Rs 25,000 crore
e) Rs 20,000 crore
Q.54) What is the rank of India in AT Kearney FDI Confidence Index 2018?
a) 18 b) 7
c) 8 d) 17

e) 11
Q.55) Which of the following country has topped the index in AT Kearney FDI Confidence Index 2018?
a) Germany b) Qatar
c) Saudi Arabia d) U.S.A
e) Germany
Q.56) NITI Aayog has signed a Statement of Intent (SoI) to develop a crop yield prediction model using Artificial Intelligence (AI) with which of the following IT company?
a) Alpha Technologies b) TCS
c) IBM d) CTS e) Wipro
Q.57) Which Film has got the "Best Feature Film Award" in 65th National Film Awards?
a) Ladhakh b) Village Rockstar
c) Baahubali 2: The Conclusion
d) Sinjar e) Paddayi
Q.58) Who has been named as the has been named the Football Writers' Association Footballer of the Year?
a) Kavin Johnson b) Kevin de Bruyne
c) Mohamed Salah d) Harry Kane
e) None of these
Q.59) Neeraj Goyat is related to which of the following sport?
a) Tennis b) Squash
c) Javelin Throw d) Athletics
e) Boxing
Q.60) The Asia's longest bi-directional Zojila tunnel is located in which of the following state?
a) Rajasthan b) Odisha
c) Kerala
d) Jammu & Kashmir e) Chhattisgarh
Q.61) 'Go To Village' Mission was launched in which of the following state in India?
a) Nagaland b) Manipur
c) Assam d) Arunachal Pradesh
e) Mizoram
Q.62) What is the theme of 15th Asia Media Summit (AMS-2018) ?
a) Asia's Best Stories
b) Telling our Stories - Asia and More
c) New Visions
d) High Powered World
e) None of these
Q.63) National Mission for Clean Ganga has brought on board Survey of India to facilitate the Ganga rejuvenation task by using which of the following Technology?
a) Geographic Latitude System (GLS)
b) Geographic Information System (GIS)
c) Geographic Economic System (GES)
d) Geographic Network System (GNS)
e) Geographic Systematic System (GSS)
Q.64) Google grants how much amount of fund for teacher training and educational content creation in India?
a) \$2 mn b) \$1 mn
c) \$3 mn d) \$5 mn
e) \$8 mn

Q.65) The 2018 International Children's Theatre Festival will be held in which of the following place?
a) Patna b) Hyderabad
c) Goa d) Pune
e) Kolkata
Q.66) Where did the cultural Festival on commemorations of 157th Birth Anniversary Of Rabindranath Tagore held?
a) London b) Germany
c) Australia d) Egypt
e) India
Q.67) Which ministry has organised 'Cochlear Implant Awareness Programme'?
a) Ministry of Consumer Affairs & Food & Public Distribution
b) Minister of Commerce and Industry
c) Ministry of Human Resource Development
d) Ministry of Social Justice
e) Ministry of Rural Development
Q.68) Under which category of Nobel Prize has been cancelled for the year 2018?
a) Chemistry b) Literature
c) Medicine d) Physics
e) Peace
Q.69) LuLu Financial Group, the financial services and payments solution brand, has started operations in which of the following place?
a) Riyadh b) Vienna
c) Tokyo d) Hong Kong
e) Melbourne
Q.70) Who has been taken charge as the Deputy Chairman of CII Eastern Region (ER) ?
a) Nithish Shankar
b) Prem Kumar Mehta
c) Chandra Sekhar Ghosh
d) Sehkar Prasad Singh
e) None of these
Q.71) Where did the 3rd South Asian Junior Athletics Championships held?
a) Myanmar b) Nepal
c) India d) Sri Lanka
e) Pakistan
Q.72) Atul Date singer, who has passed away recently belongs to which state?
a) Maharashtra b) Karnataka
c) Odisha d) Jharkhand
e) West Bengal
Q.73) When is the world cartoonists day observed?
a) May 9 b) May 5
c) May 8 d) May 7
e) May 8
Q.74) Who is the governor of Manipur?
a) Keshari Nath Tripathi
b) Tathagata Roy c) Ganga Prasad
d) Jagdish Mukhi e) Satya Pal Malik
Q.75) Where did the 19th edition of TOONZ Animation Masters Summit 2018 held?
a) Jharkhand b) Odisha
c) Andhra Pradesh d) Tamil Nadu
e) Kerala

Q.76) Where did the first apex conference for CEOs of Smart Cities held?
a) New Delhi b) Pune
c) Bhopal d) Chennai
e) Kolkata
Q.77) Who is the Union Minister of State with Independent Charge in the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs?
a) Rao Inderjit Singh
b) Santosh Kumar Gangwar
c) Hardeep Singh Puri
d) Alphons Kannanthanam
e) Dr. Mahesh Sharma
Q.78) When is the 58th Raising Day of Border Roads Organisation observed?
a) May 10 b) May 9
c) May 7 d) May 8
e) May 6
Q.79) The six-day-long Festival of Bharat will be held at which of the following place?
a) Hyderabad b) Delhi
c) Chennai d) Delhi
e) Lucknow
Q.80) Which is India's most trusted Fast-Moving Consumer Goods (FMCG) brand in the TRA's Brand Trust Report 2018?
a) Unilever Limited
b) Patanjali Ayurved Limited
c) Hindusthan Ltd
d) Reliance Industries
e) Tata Groups
Q.81) Where did the 'Ajeevika And Kaushal Vikas Mela' held?
a) Pune b) Kohima
c) Chennai d) Hyderabad
e) Cochin
Q.82) Recently India has signed with which of the following country on cooperation on exchange of information and other aspects to tackle smuggling of drugs in both countries?
a) Sri Lanka b) Qatar
c) New Zealand d) Australia
e) Singapore
Q.83) What is the abbreviation of "M" in OMO?
a) Mutual b) Market
c) Mandatory d) Marketplace
e) None of these
Q.84) Who is the first female director of the CIA, Central Intelligence Agency?
a) Gina Haspel b) Rashmi Sinha
c) Anuradha Krishnan
d) Uma Bharti e) Venu Priya
Q.85) The Government of India signed a loan deal of how much amount with the World Bank for the National Nutrition Mission (POSHAN Abhiyaan) ?
a) USD 100 million b) USD 250 million
c) USD 300 million d) USD 600 million
e) USD 200 million
Q.86) A Statement of Intent (SoI) was signed between NITI Aayog and which of the following company to help grow AI ecosystem in India?
a) Google b) Apple

c) Facebook
e) None of these
Q.87) India has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for expanding cooperation in the area of diplomatic training with which of the following company?
a) Peru
c) Panama
e) Turkmenistan
Q.88) Ramit Tandon is related to which of the following sports?
a) Cricket
c) Hockey
e) Badminton
Q.89) Where did the Grand Prix of Liberation international shooting competition held?
a) Czech Republic
c) Bolivia
e) Georgia
Q.90) The 71st annual Cannes Film Festival is currently being held at which of the following country?
a) Spain
c) China
e) UK
Q.91) The Gaofen-5 satellite was launched by which of the following country?
a) Japan
c) China
e) Russia
Q.92) Name the Indian charity that won charity award in UK?
a) World Vision India
c) M.S.N. Charities
d) Sankurathri Foundation
e) Pallium India
Q.93) Walmart Inc. is set to announce the purchase of a majority stake of 70% in which of the following e-commerce company?
a) Alibaba
c) Flipkart
e) Priceline
Q.94) Uber signs with which of the following Space agency for launching 'flying car'?
a) Danish Space Research Institute
b) NASA
d) JAXA
Q.95) Which of the following country has withdrew recently from a multinational nuclear agreement with Iran?
a) France
c) China
e) Germany
Q.96) What is the rank of India in Business optimism index?
a) 5
c) 6
e) 10
Q.97) Which country had topped the list of Asia-Pacific Power index?
a) Malaysia
c) India

d) Cognizant
b) Guatemala
d) Malaysia
b) Squash
d) Tennis
b) Austria
d) Egypt
b) France
d) Russia
b) Israel
d) India
b) Jagriti Yatra
b) Russia
d) USA
b) 7
d) 8
b) Indonesia
d) China

e) USA
Q.98) Who topped the Forbes 2018 list of 75 of the World's Most Powerful People?
a) Narendra Modi
c) Vladimir Putin
e) Theresa May
Q.99) What is the currency of Armenia?
a) Dirham
c) Dram
e) Dinar
Q.100) Recently who has been sworn in as the Costa Rica's president?
a) Luis Guillermo Solís Rivera
b) Laura Chinchilla Miranda
c) Carlos Alvarado
d) Oscar Arias Sanchez
e) Luis Monge Alvarez
Q.101) Who has been appointed as the country head for Google cloud business in India?
a) Nikesh Arora
c) Dinesh C Paliwal
e) Shantanu Narayanan
Q.102) When is the World Thalassemia Day observed?
a) May 8
c) May 7
e) May 6
Q.103) What is the theme of World Red Cross Day?
a) Less Known Red Cross Stories
b) Together for Humanity
c) Memorable smiles from around the world
d) Everywhere for everyone
e) Find the Volunteer inside You
Q.104) What is the capital of Costa Rica?
a) Bridgetown
c) Bogota
e) Prague
Q.105) Which edition of UNPCAP had been inaugurated in New Delhi?
a) Second
c) Fourth
e) Ninth
Q.106) How many member countries are in Shanghai Cooperation Organization?
a) 8
c) 6
e) 9
Q.107) Which of the following ministry has launched Digital India Internship Scheme?
a) Ministry of Human Resource Development
b) Minister of Commerce and Industry
c) Minister of Electronics and Information Technology
d) Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment
e) Ministry of Minority Affairs
Q.108) Where will be the 2018 World Robot Conference held?
a) Qatar
c) India
e) Japan

b) Donald Trump
d) Xi Jinping
b) Euro
d) Lev
b) Panama
d) Germany
b) Abdullah Ahmad Badawi
c) Hussein Onn
d) Mahathir Mohamad
e) Abdul Razak Hussein
b) Ramakrishnan Shridhar
c) Ravi Shastri
d) Arun Bhardwaj
e) Arun Khanna
b) Nikol Pashinyan
d) Zaruhi Postanjyan
b) HRD Ministry
c) Rural Development Ministry
d) Minority Affairs Ministry
e) Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Ministry
b) Mary Barra
d) Hillary Clinton
b) Euro
d) Dinar
b) Symbol
d) Sensity
b) Himachal Pradesh
d) Maharashtra
b) Roosevelt Skerrit
d) Mark Rutte

Q.109) Recently which company is set to launch its payment bank's operations focusing on digital payments?
a) NDDS
c) NSDL
e) NDSL
Q.110) Recently India signed with which of the following country on exemption of Visas for holders of Diplomatic and Official Passports and in the field of Agriculture?
a) Guatemala
c) Iran
e) Iraq
Q.111) Who is the world's oldest prime minister?
a) Najib Razak
b) Abdullah Ahmad Badawi
c) Hussein Onn
d) Mahathir Mohamad
e) Abdul Razak Hussein
Q.112) Who will head the Centre of Excellence for cricket?
a) Sanjay Bangar
b) Ramakrishnan Shridhar
c) Ravi Shastri
d) Arun Bhardwaj
e) Arun Khanna
Q.113) Who has been elected as the prime minister of Armenia?
a) Vladimir Movsisyan
c) Gagik Tsarukyan
e) Karen Karapetyan
Q.114) UNICEF India in partnership with which of the following Indian ministry had organised a 'Shiksha Mela — Education Open Day'?
a) Commerce and Industry
b) HRD Ministry
c) Rural Development Ministry
d) Minority Affairs Ministry
e) Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Ministry
Q.115) Who has received WEF 2018 award?
a) Janet Yellen
c) Nisha Bhalla
e) Angela Merkel
Q.116) What is the currency of panama?
a) Riel
c) Balboa
e) Rial
Q.117) What is the abbreviation of "S" in NSDL?
a) Sensex
c) Securities
e) Safety
Q.118) Prime Minister Narendra Modi will lay the foundation stone of Rs 68 billion strategic tunnel in which of the following state?
a) Gujarat
c) Jammu and Kashmir
e) Kerala
Q.119) Name the Prime minister of Netherlands, who will be on a two-day official visit to India from 24th of this month?
a) Hun Sen
c) Frank Bainimarama

Q.146) Name the India's longest road and railway bridge connecting Dibrugarh in Assam to Pasighat in Arunachal Pradesh, that links between Sweden and Denmark.

- a) Godavari Bridge
- b) Munger Ganga Bridge
- c) Pasibel Bridge
- d) Bogibeel Bridge
- e) Bihibel Bridge

Q.147) Who won the 11th KISS Humanitarian Award 2018 in Bhubaneswar, Odisha?

- a) Moithin Yunus
- b) Momin Yunus
- c) Muhammad Yunus
- d) Maroof Yunus
- e) Mabood Yunus

Q.148) Name the Indian cricket player became the highest scoring (128) Indian in the history of the Indian Premier League, recently?

- a) Suresh Raina
- b) Virat Kohli
- c) Murali Vijay
- d) M S Dhoni
- e) Rishabh Pant

Q.149) Which of the following private sector bank has set to roll out a capacity building project with farmers in Haryana and Rajasthan under its 'Livelihood and Water Security' CSR initiative, recently?

- a) ICICI Bank
- b) Federal Bank
- c) YES Bank
- d) HDFC Bank
- e) Axis Bank

Q.150) Which of the following state government has started K-FON initiative to provide free internet over 20 lakh poor families in the state?

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

Q.151) Name the Australia's oldest scientist has died at the age of 104, recently.

- a) David Goodall
- b) Havid Goodall
- c) Navid Goodall
- d) Bavid Goodall
- e) Tavid Goodall

Q.152) Who is the co-founder of Filpkart has resigned recently?

- a) Binny Bansal
- b) Trisha Bansal
- c) Kalyan Krishnamurthy
- d) Sachin Bansal
- e) Kalyan Bansal

Q.153) Who is the head of the committee to review/study the recovery of black money and performance of public sector banks among a host of subjects, recently?

- a) Mirthan Manohar Joshi
- b) Mirthula Manohar Joshi
- c) Murnan Manohar Joshi
- d) Murali Manohar Joshi
- e) Mukesh Manohar Joshi

Q.154) Veteran Rajinder Pal had died at the age of 80. He is related to which field?

- a) Cricket
- b) Football
- c) Journalist
- d) Writer
- e) Actor

Q.155) Editor Anne V. Coates, who won an Oscar for David Lean's epic film Lawrence of Arabia, has died recently. She belongs to which country?

- a) USA
- b) Mexico
- c) Germany
- d) British
- e) France

Q.156) Who has been appointed as the ambassador of India to the sultanate of Oman?

- a) Munu Mahawar
- b) Indra Mani Pandey
- c) Alkesh Joshi
- d) J S Mukul
- e) Mukul Manohar

Q.157) International Nurses Day is celebrated on _____.

- a) May 8th
- b) May 12th
- c) May 11th
- d) May 10th
- e) May 5th

Q.158) What is the theme of International Nurses Day 2018?

- a) Nurses: A Force for Change – A vital resource for health
- b) Nurses: A Force for Change: Care Effective, Cost Effective
- c) Nurses: A voice to lead - Health is a Human Right
- d) Nurses: A Voice to Lead - Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals
- e) Nurses: A Force for Change: Improving Health Systems' Resilience

Q.159) Which State Electricity Board has signed a memorandum of understanding with the National Thermal Power Corporation for increasing solar power generation in the state?

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

Q.160) How much amount has been earmarked for the implementation of the Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) in 2018-19?

- a) Rs 18,500 crore
- b) Rs 12,500 crore
- c) Rs 14,500 crore
- d) Rs 16,500 crore
- e) Rs 15,500 crore

Q.161) The Punjab government signed a pact with the which country for setting up of bio-gas and bio-CNG plants in the state?

- a) Peru
- b) Russia
- c) United Kingdom
- d) Bangladesh
- e) Vietnam

Q.162) Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his Nepalese counterpart K P Sharma Oli jointly inaugurated a direct bus service between _____ and _____.

- a) Jhansi and Itahari
- b) Bhaktapur and Allahabad
- c) Varanasi and Pokhara
- d) Kathmandu and Lucknow
- e) Janakpur and Ayodhya

Q.163) India signed an agreement with which of the following country in the field of Renewable Energy, recently?

- a) Peru
- b) Nepal
- c) Vietnam
- d) Azerbaijan
- e) United Kingdom

Q.164) Indian Customs and Department of India Posts held a First ever Joint Conference held in _____.

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

Q.165) Which of the following country has cancelled the Carbon Monitoring System (CMS) Programme of NASA, which cost \$10 million per year to track carbon and methane?

- a) France
- b) USA
- c) UK
- d) Russia
- e) India

Q.166) Credit rating agency Fitch has said that India's economic growth will accelerate at what percent for the current fiscal year?

- a) 7.6 per cent
- b) 7.5 per cent
- c) 7.2 per cent
- d) 7.3 per cent
- e) 7.4 per cent

Q.167) Which of the following state government has signed a MoU with the Centres Green Rating for Integrated Habitat Assessment (GRIHA) Council to train state PWD officials to rate government buildings, recently?

- a) Andhra Pradesh
- b) Manipur
- c) Madhya Pradesh
- d) Maharashtra
- e) Kerala

Q.168) Reserve Bank has initiated prompt corrective action against which public sector lender, due to widening of its net loss to Rs 1,225.42 crore in the March quarter on mounting bad loans and higher provisioning to cover them?

- a) Canara Bank
- b) Punjab National Bank
- c) UCO Bank
- d) Dena Bank
- e) Indian Overseas Bank

Q.169) Who is the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) ?

- a) Pawan Kumar Agarwal
- b) Prakash Kumar Agarwal
- c) Pradeep Kumar Agarwal
- d) Yuvan Kumar Agarwal
- e) Naresh Kumar Agarwal

Q.170) Name the Bollywood singer nominated as the Green Ambassador of the Sikkim state.

- a) Mohan Chauhan
- b) Mohjit Chauhan
- c) Mohit Chauhan
- d) Mankit Chauhan
- e) Mano Chauhan

Q.171) Who won the British Council awards of UK under the category 'Professional Achievement Award', recently?

- a) Saumya Saxena
- b) Ruchi Shah
- c) Sushant Desai
- d) Subash Desai
- e) Keerthi Saxena

Q.172) Who released the book 'Across the Bench – Insight into the Indian Military Judicial System' by Lt Gen Gyan Bhushan in Lucknow?

- a) Gen S Roy Chowdhury
- b) Gen Bipin Rawat
- c) Gen V K Singh
- d) Gen Bikram Singh
- e) Gen Dalbir Singh

Q.173) What is the theme of World Migratory Bird Day 2018?

- a) "Their Future is our Future"
- b) "Stop the Illegal Killing, Taking and Trade of Migratory Birds".

c) "Their Future is our Future – A Healthy Planet for Migratory Birds and People."
d) "Unifying our Voices for Bird Conservation"
e) "Destination Flyways: Migratory Birds and Tourism
Q.174) Army has finalised a mega _____ crore rupees project under which a range of ammunition for its critical weapons and tanks will be produced indigenously.
a) Rs.15000 b) Rs.14000
c) Rs.11000 d) Rs.12000
e) Rs.10000
Q.175) Who was the First Indian Commander-in-Chief of the Indian Army ?
a) P.N Thapar b) SM Srinagesh
c) Rob Lockhart d) Roy Bucher
e) KM Cariappa
Q.176) Who is the present Army Staff of Indian Army?
a) VK Rawat b) JK Singh
c) Dalbir Singh d) Bikram Singh
e) Bipin Rawat
Q.177) Skill Development Centre in Hyderabad to be Set Up by UNDP. What is the fullform of UNDP?
a) United Nations Deployment Program
b) United Nations Development Program
c) Unified Nations Development Program
d) United Nations Deployment Platform
e) United Nations Degraded program
Q.178) Who is the head of UNDP?
a) Irina Bokova b) Audrey Azoulay
c) Siachin Steiner d) Achim Steiner
e) Harsh Kumar Banwala
Q.179) Which of the following city Metro Magenta Line to have India's tallest escalator?
a) Jaipur b) Pune
c) Delhi d) Mumbai
e) Bangalore
Q.180) Name the Union ministers who laid the foundation stone for redevelopment and upgradation work of the Botanic Garden of Indian Republic (BGIR) .
a) Dr.Harsh Vardhan
b) Mahesh Sharma c) Piyush Goyal
d) Both a and c e) Both a and b
Q.181) India and _____ have agreed to expand their partnership for socio-economic development on the basis of principles of equality, trust, respect and mutual benefit.
a) New zealand b) Namibia
c) Nauru d) Nepal
e) Nigeria
Q.182) Which of the following Country indigenously built aircraft carrier 'Shandong' starts sea trials?
a) Nepal b) China
c) Australia d) Austria
e) Nigeria
Q.183) Who flags off the first consignment of ADNOC crude oil for ISPR?
a) Shri Ananth Kumar
b) Suresh Prabhu

c) Piyush Goyal
d) Dharmendra Pradhan
e) Nitin Jairam Gadkari
Q.184) _____ introduced automatic recurring payments, a new feature that lets users configure the payments app to pay for periodic recurring expenses automatically.
a) Jio Payments Bank
b) India Post Payments Bank
c) Airtel Payments Bank
d) Fino PayTech Limited
e) Paytm Payment Bank
Q.185) Which Payments Bank has launched a suite of digital products that can be accessed online and through mobile phones?
a) Paytm Payments Bank
b) Jio Payments Bank
c) Airtel Payments Bank
d) IPPB Payments Bank
e) FINO Payments Bank
Q.186) Who has been conferred with Swara Mauli award?
a) Asha Bhosle b) Haether Begg
c) Clara Butt d) Janat Baker
e) Lata Mangeshkar
Q.187) Who inaugurated the Global Exhibition on Services-2018?
a) Ramnath Kovind b) Rajnath Singh
c) Nitin Gadri
d) Sushma Swaraj e) Narendra Modi
Q.188) Name the program launched by environment ministry that aims to train over 5.5 lakh workers in environment and forest sectors in the country through 30 courses by 2021?
a) Green Scale Deployment Program
b) Green Scale Development Program
c) Green Skill Development Program
d) Gratitude Skill Development Program
e) Gray Scale Development Program
Q.189) Who replaced Smriti Irani as I&B Minister ?
a) Uma Bharthi b) Suresh Prabhu
c) Piyush Goyal d) SS Ahluwalia
e) Rajyavardhan Rathore
Q.190) Who has been made the new Minister of State for Electronics?
a) Suresh Prabhu
b) Rajyavardhan Rathore c) Uma Bharthi
d) SS Ahluwalia e) Piyush Goyal
Q.191) Who Chairs Meeting of Stakeholders on 'Samarth'- Scheme for Capacity Building in Textile Sector?
a) Anant Geete b) Piyush Goyal
c) Smiriti Irani d) Suresh Prabhu
e) Rajnath Singh
Q.192) Where did the meeting of stakeholders on Samarth – Scheme for Capacity Building in Textile Sector under the Skill India Mission was held to familiarize the stakeholders about the scheme and its guidelines?
a) Hyderabad b) Bengaluru
c) Kolkata d) New Delhi

e) Mumbai
Q.193) Steve Plain reached the top of Mount Everest , becoming the fastest person to summit the highest mountain on each of the world's seven continents. He belongs to which of the following country?
a) Argentina b) Armenia
c) Austria d) Europe
e) Australia
Q.194) Along with which of the following state Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh and Haryana agreed to implement the ambitious national health protection mission, which aims to provide an annual coverage of Rs 5 lakh per family?
a) Maharashtra b) Karnataka
c) Uttarakhand d) Uthar Pradesh
e) Kerala
Q.195) By which year The World Health Organization wants to eliminate artificial trans fats from the global food supply?
a) 2023 b) 2019
c) 2022 d) 2024
e) 2020
Q.196) What is the theme of International Day of Families being celebrated on 15th May 2018?
a) Families, healthy lives and Sustainable future
b) Families and inclusive societies
c) Preventing conflict and sustaining peace through decent work
d) We can I can
e) Ensuring work family balance
Q.197) Margot Kidder passed away recently.She was the famous _____.
a) Artist b) Communist
c) Physicist d) Actress
e) Paintist
Q.198) ECG Sudarshan passed away recently recently. He was the famous _____.
a) Physicist b) Pianist
c) Actor d) Communist
e) Artist
Q.199) Where did the fourth meeting of South Asia Wildlife Enforcement Network (SAWEN) held?
a) New Delhi b) Hyderabad
c) Kolkata d) Pune
e) Chennai
Q.200) How many member countries are in SAWEN?
a) 11 b) 9 c) 6
d) 7 e) 8
Q.201) India will be offering 22 Mahindra SUVs and two Tata buses worth USD 706,000 to which of the following country?
a) Guatemala b) Iran
c) Iraq d) Nauru
e) Mauritius
Q.202) What is the national timeline for declaration of open defecation free (ODF) ?
a) September 2nd, 2019
b) October 2nd, 2019

c) October 1st, 2019
d) September 1st, 2019
e) December 1st, 2020
Q.203) After 20 years, which Minister of State from India visits North Korea for bilateral talks?
a) NK Shankar b) KS Raghu
c) VK Singh d) Vettri Kannan
e) Sunil Rajan
Q.204) The first all-woman Post Office Passport Seva Kendra has started its operations in which of the following state?
a) Assam b) Bihar
c) Maharashtra d) Gujarat
e) Punjab
Q.205) Which country will host the 2018 Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) summit?
a) India b) Nepal
c) Egypt d) China
e) Japan
Q.206) China has approved how much billion loan for Sri Lanka highway?
a) \$3 billion b) \$6 billion
c) \$5 billion d) \$1 billion
e) \$2 billion
Q.207) Which of the following Payment bank has launched BPay?
a) Jio Payment bank
b) Airtel Payment bank
c) India Post Payment bank
d) Reliance Industries Payment bank
e) Fino Payment bank
Q.208) Which country has emerged as the world largest solar market in the world?
a) China b) US
c) Canada d) Poland
e) France
Q.209) Who is the CEO of Yes Bank?
a) Sunil Mehta b) Ranjit Singh
c) Rana Kapoor
d) Kumaravel Shankar e) None of these
Q.210) Prof Muhammad Yunus, who has been conferred with KISS Humanitarian Award 2018 belongs to which country?
a) China b) Bangladesh
c) Taiwan d) Myanmar
e) India
Q.211) Who has won the RedInk Award for Lifetime Achievement in Journalism for 2018?
a) Suresh Mehta b) Faye D'Souz
c) William Mark Tully d) Nithya Raja
e) None of these
Q.212) Who has won the Spanish Grand Prix 2018?
a) Lewis Hamilton b) Sebastian Vettel
c) Max Verstappen d) Valtteri Bottas
e) None of these
Q.213) Pakistan player Mansoor Ahmed, who has passed away recently related to which of the following field?
a) Squash b) Chess
c) Badminton d) Hockey

e) Football
Q.214) Where did the India's First International Rail Coach Expo (IRCE-2018) to be held?
a) Pune b) Hyderabad
c) Kolkata d) Bengaluru
e) Chennai
Q.215) The Minister of Commerce and Industry Shri Suresh Prabhu launched the Intellectual Property (IP) mascot – IP Nani – at the conference on National Intellectual Property Rights Policy in _____.
a) Bengaluru b) Pune
c) New Delhi d) Kolkata
e) Chennai
Q.216) Which of the following has emerged as the best-performing state in terms of cleanliness according to the government cleanliness survey?
a) Karnataka b) Jharkhand
c) Maharashtra d) Rajasthan
e) Madhya Pradesh
Q.217) Which of the following stood at the second place in the 'Swachh Survekshan 2018'?
a) Maharashtra b) Jharkhand
c) Karnataka d) Madhya Pradesh e) Rajasthan
Q.218) India has released grant of NRs. (Nepalese Rupees) _____ crore for river training and construction of embankments along Lalbakeya, Bagmati and Kamla rivers in Nepal.
a) 14.06 crore b) 15.08 crore
c) 17.00 crore d) 19.08 crore
e) 18.07 crore
Q.219) With which of the following state did NTPC inked a pact and its power utilities to acquire their entire stake in two joint ventures at Nabinagar and Kanti, and to buy Barauni thermal plant?
a) Madhya Pradesh b) Maharashtra
c) Kerala d) Bihar
e) Karnataka
Q.220) Who has been Honoured with Jayadev Rashtriya Yuva Puraskar Award?
a) David Harsent b) John Day
c) Anindita d) Sarah hall
e) Tom Philips
Q.221) Who received the DRDO Lifetime Achievement Award 2017?
a) Vasudev KalkunteAatre
b) Tom Philips c) VK Saraswat
d) Anindita e) Sarah Hall
Q.222) Who received the DRDO Technology Leadership Award 2016?
a) VK saraswat
b) Vasudev KalkunteAatre
c) Anindita
d) G Satheesh Reddy
e) Sarah Hall
Q.223) Who has been appointed as the NetMeds Ambassador?
a) Gurdeep Singh b) MS Dhoni
c) Kholi d) Kidambi Srikath
e) Ashwin

Q.224) Susheela Jayapal becomes 1st _____ to be elected In Oregon?
a) South American b) North American
c) Australian d) North Asian
e) South Asian
Q.225) Who takes oath as Karnataka Chief Minister?
a) Jai Ram Thakur b) Raman Singh
c) Kumaraswamy d) Phema Kandu
e) Yeddyurappa
Q.226) The Green Skill Development Programme was launched by which of the following ministry?
a) Ministry of Human Resource Development
b) Ministry of Environment
c) Ministry of Railways
d) Ministry of Tribal Affairs
e) Ministry of Skill Development & Enterprise
Q.227) Which state government has launched free treatment scheme for road accident victims?
a) Bihar b) Gujarat
c) Rajasthan d) Kerala
e) Odisha
Q.228) Which Indian railway station is the first to run by solar power?
a) Patna b) Jaipur
c) Lucknow d) Pune
e) Guwahati
Q.229) Bantony Castle is located in which of the following state?
a) Haryana
b) Himachal Pradesh c) Uttarakhan
d) Gujarat e) West Bengal
Q.230) What is the currency of Guatemala?
a) Lek b) Dinar
c) Lev d) Quetzal
e) Euro
Q.231) Recently, Guatemala has opened an embassy in which of the following country?
a) Jerusalem b) Israel
c) Iran d) Iraq
e) Russia
Q.232) Who has been appointed as the chairman of the Lalit Kala Akademi?
a) Ram Kumar b) M.V Krishnan
c) Keshav Malik d) Anand Dev
e) Uttam Pacharne
Q.233) Who has received the LMA special achievement award?
a) John Buchanan b) John Gregory
c) Bob Woolmer d) Gary Kirsten
e) John Wright
Q.234) When is the World Telecommunication and Information Society Day observed?
a) May 18 b) May 20
c) May 21 d) May 17
e) May 11
Q.235) What is the theme of World Hypertension Day?
a) Stay Fresh Minded
b) Enabling the positive use of Artificial Intelligence for All
c) Know Your Numbers

d) Be happy Make happy
e) New World of peace
Q.236) Govind Lal Vora who passed away recently belongs to which of the following field?
a) Politician b) Sports
c) Director d) Journalist
e) None of these
Q.237) The Bantony Castle__Estate will be renovated with an allocation of how much amount?
a) Rs 50 crore b) Rs 35 crore
c) Rs 25 crore d) Rs 20 crore
e) Rs 75 crore
Q.238) Who is the chief minister of Gujarat?
a) Pema Khandu b) Vijay Rupani
c) N. Chandrababu Naidu
d) Durga Das Basu e) Amarinder Singh
Q.239) Who launched GSDP-ENVIS mobile app?
a) Ravi Shankar Prasad
b) Anant Geete c) Jual Oram
d) Piyush Goyal e) Harsh Vardhan
Q.240) Who signed on behalf of UN Environment with the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) to promote 'green' cricket in India?
a) Alison Smale b) Gladwyn Jebb
c) Erik Solheim d) Trygve Lie
e) António Guterres
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e) Sunil Rajan
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a) Guatemala b) Iran
c) Iraq d) Nauru
e) Mauritius
Q.243) Prime Minister Narendra Modi will lay the foundation stone of Rs 68 billion strategic tunnel in which of the following state?
a) Gujarat b) Himachal Pradesh
c) Jammu and Kashmir
d) Maharashtra e) Kerala
Q.244) What is the currency of Italy?
a) Lira b) Lev
c) Dinar d) Euro
e) None of these
Q.245) What is the currency of Lebanon?
a) Pound b) Euro
c) Dinar d) Lev
e) Riyal
Q.246) Who is the governor of Odisha?
a) Kaptan Singh Solanki
b) Kummanam Rajasekharan
c) Prof Ganeshi Lal
d) Om Prakash Kohli
e) Farooq Khan
Q.247) Name the Prime minister of Netherlands, who will be on a two-day official visit to India from 24th of this month?
a) Hun Sen b) Roosevelt Skerrit

c) Frank Bainimarama d) Mark Rutte
e) Adama Barrow
Q.248) The Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Cultural Ministers Meeting held at which of the following country?
a) Qatar b) China
c) Japan d) India
e) Russia
Q.249) Name the Indian charity that won charity award in UK?
a) World Vision India b) Jagriti Yatra
c) M.S.N. Charities
d) Sankurathri Foundation
e) Pallium India
Q.250) Which Iron ore mining company has bagged S&P Platts Global Metals Award in corporate social responsibility category?
a) KIOCL Limited b) SAIL
c) NMDC d) Kudremukh Ltd
e) L&P Ltd
Q.251) Who has been appointed as the head of U.S India Business Council (India) ?
a) Shelia Mehta
b) Ambika Sharma c) Wendy Kopp
d) Anita Roddick e) Clara Barton
Q.252) Which ministry presented the prestigious Nari Shakti Puraskar 2017 to the members of the INSV Tarini team in New Delhi?
a) Ministry of Commerce
b) Ministry of Women and Child Development
c) Ministry of Finance
d) Ministry of Home Affairs
e) Ministry of Environment
Q.253) The Chatra Parivahan Suraksha Yojana has been launched in which of the following state?
a) Bihar b) Odisha
c) Haryana d) Rajasthan
e) West Bengal
Q.254) The NITI Aayog have organised a three day symposium with venture capital funds in New Delhi along with which of the following country?
a) U.K b) France
c) Germany d) Italy
e) Spain
Q.255) The Pakul Dul Power Project is located in which of the following state?
a) Gujarat b) Himachal Pradesh
c) Rajasthan d) Jammu and Kashmir
e) Kerala
Q.256) Which country has unveiled the world's first floating nuclear power station?
a) Australia b) China
c) Japan d) Russia
e) India
Q.257) Which of the following stock exchange has become the first Indian exchange to be recognised as a designated offshore securities market (DOSM) by the U.S.?
a) Madras Stock Exchange
b) NSE
c) Ahmedabad Stock Exchange
d) BSE

e) Cochin Stock Exchange
Q.258) Who was elected first female Prime Minister of Barbados?
a) Mia Umor Mottley b) Mia Amor Rottley
c) Mia Amor Mottley d) Ria Amor Mottley
e) Mia Amor Nottley
Q.259) Indo-Dutch Ganga Forum Inaugurated by the Prime Minister of _____.
a) Pakistan b) Netherland
c) Sweden d) Nepal
e) India
Q.260) The third edition of the Mission Innovation Ministerial Meet was held in _____.
a) Pakistan b) Netherland
c) Sweden d) Nepal
e) India
Q.261) According to UN World Economic Situation and Prospects (WESP) , what is the GDP growth of India in 2018-19?
a) 7.8 percent b) 7.3 percent
c) 7.6 percent d) 7.7 percent
e) 7.4 percent
Q.262) Which of following company has acquired conversational AI company Semantic Machines?
a) TCS b) Microsoft
c) ABC d) Cognizant
e) Apple
Q.263) Who has been appointed as the president of Hockey India (HI) ?
a) Harbinder Singh b) Rajinder Singh
c) Mariamma Koshy d) Sudershan Pathak
e) Bholanath Singh
Q.264) Which of the following film has won the Palme d'Or--the highest prize at the Cannes Film Festival?
a) BlacKkKlansmann b) Shoplifters
c) Cold War d) Dogman
e) Ayka
Q.265) According to AfrAsia Bank, which of the following country is the second wealthiest in world?
a) U.S b) India
c) China d) Japan
e) Singapore
Q.266) Where is the headquarters of AfrAsia Bank located?
a) France b) UK
c) Mauritius d) Malaysia
e) Egypt
Q.267) Who has won the Rome Masters 2018?
a) Rogerer Federer b) Alexander Zverev
c) Rafael Nadal d) Andre Agassi
e) Stan Wawrinka
Q.268) Who has won the fifth Women's Asian Champions Trophy?
a) South Korea b) India
c) Russia d) Germany
e) China
Q.269) When is the National Anti-Terrorism Day observed?
a) May 20 b) May 23
c) May 24 d) May 21

e) May 19
Q.270) Which country has won the world ice hockey championship?
a) Kyrgyzstan b) Switzerland
c) Sweden d) Indonesia
e) North Korea
Q.271) The 'Bastariya' battalion of the Central Reserve Police Force(CRPF) has been launched in which of the following state?
a) Assam b) Odisha
c) Bihar d) Gujarat
e) Chhattisgarh
Q.272) BrahMos Missile, the fastest cruise missile in the world, is co-developed by India and which of the following country?
a) Singapore b) China
c) Japan d) Russia
e) France
Q.273) Which of the following word has been adopted in Hindi and English languages by Commission for Scientific & Technical Terminology (CSTT) ?
a) AYUR b) KKYS
c) KYC d) AYUSH
e) VALUED
Q.274) Where did the 71st World Health Assembly held?
a) Paris b) Lusane
c) Geneva d) Rome
e) Lisbon
Q.275) Which of the following country has launched the relay satellite to explore Moon's far side?
a) Japan b) Israel
c) Russia d) China
e) India
Q.276) Where did the 26th BASIC Ministerial Meeting on Climate Change held?
a) China b) India
c) South Africa d) Russia
e) UK
Q.277) Who has been appointed as the President of Venezuela?
a) Rafael Caldera b) Hugo Chavez
c) Nicolas Maduro d) Octavio Lepage
e) Jaime Lusinchi
Q.278) What is the currency of Venezuela?
a) Pula b) Kwanza
c) Dram d) Taka
e) Bolivar
Q.279) Who has been appointed as the chairman-cum-managing director (CMD) of Coal India Limited?
a) Kumaravel NS b) KS Ranjana
c) Anil Kumar Jha d) Rama Shankar
e) Ramesh Kannan
Q.280) Which IIT has sets up the India's first advisory Centre for Energy Regulation?
a) IIT Madras b) IIT Kanpur
c) IIT Guhwati d) IIT Roorkee
e) IIT Varanasi

Q.281) Which of the following Indian legendary actor has been honoured by European Union?
a) Amitabh Bachchan
b) Shah Rukh Khan c) Dilip Kumar
d) Salman Khan e) Aamir Khan
Q.282) Who has won the European Golden Shoe for the fifth time?
a) Lionel Messi b) Andres Iniesta
c) Cristiano Ronaldo d) Xavi Ronaldo
e) Robin van Persie
Q.283) Yaddanapudi Sulochana Rani, who has passed away belongs to which field?
a) Dancer b) Author
c) Actor d) Singer
e) Writer
Q.284) What is the theme of International Day for Biological Diversity?
a) Biodiversity and Sustainable Tourism
b) Mainstreaming Biodiversity; Sustaining People and their Livelihoods
c) Celebrating 25 Years of Action for Biodiversity
d) Biodiversity for Sustainable Development
e) Island Biodiversity
Q.285) Who has won the Billboard Award for "Top Song Sales Artist"?
a) Ed Sheeran b) Taylor Swift
c) Camila Cabello
d) Christina Perri e) Miley Cyrus
Q.286) Which state government has introduced a new scheme to help the landless labourers among the Scheduled Castes to acquire agricultural land?
a) Odisha b) Maharashtra
c) Madhya Pradesh d) Nagaland
e) Bihar
Q.287) Who is the Air Chief Marshal of India?
a) Pradeep Vasant Naik
b) Norman Anil Kumar Browne
c) Arup Raha
d) Birender Singh Dhanoa
e) Arjan Singh
Q.288) What is the capital of Netherlands?
a) Tirane b) Algeries
c) Canberra d) Amsterdam
e) Yerevan
Q.289) The National Convention on Rejuvenation of Krishna River held in which of the following city?
a) Mumbai b) Pune
c) Chennai d) Hyderabad
e) New Delhi
Q.290) Where did the Military Exercise named "Gandiv Vijay" held?
a) Himachal Pradesh b) Odisha
c) Rajasthan d) Gujarat
e) Kerala
Q.291) According to a Lancet study what is the rank of India in terms of quality and accessibility of healthcare?
a) 160 b) 12
c) 191 d) 145
e) 68

Q.292) Author Philip Roth, who passed away recently won the Pulitzer Prize for which of the following book?
a) The God of Small Things
b) American Pastoral c) The Luminaries
d) Bring up the bodies e) Solar Bones
Q.293) Japan's SoftBank has decided to sell its over 21 percent stake in e-commerce major Flipkart to US retailer Walmart for how much amount?
a) USD 3 billion b) USD 2 billion
c) USD 1 billion d) USD 5 billion
e) USD 4 billion
Q.294) The Finance Ministry has tied up with 40 entities for extending loans to small entrepreneurs under which of the following scheme?
a) PMEGP b) PMMY
c) PMRY d) PMUY
e) PMRY
Q.295) The Gopinath Bordoloi airport is located in which of the following state?
a) Karnataka b) Uttarakhand
c) Assam d) Arunachal Pradesh
e) Nagaland
Q.296) Which of the following company has acquired Bhushan Steel in an insolvency auction?
a) India Steel Company b) Million Steel India
c) Bamnibal Steel
d) RKN Steel e) Tilson Steel
Q.297) Who is the MD & CEO of Multi Commodity Exchange?
a) P. K. Singhal
b) Mrugank M. Paranjape c) Saurabh Chandra
d) Vikram Limaye e) Ashish Chauhan
Q.298) Olga Tokarczuk, who won the prestigious Man Booker International Prize hails from which country?
a) Italy b) Poland
c) France d) UK
e) USA
Q.299) According to a report by accounting firm KPMG, which of the following team has been honoured as the "Most valuable football team"?
a) Red Devils b) Real Madrid
c) Manchester United
d) FC Barcelona e) None of these
Q.300) When is the World Turtle day observed?
a) May 21 b) May 20
c) May 24 d) May 23
e) May 22
Q.301) How much amount will be given as a minimum compensation for the family of a paramilitary jawan who dies in action?
a) One Crore b) Five Lakhs
c) One Lakh d) Two Crore
e) Three Crore
Q.302) Who is the Director General of Border Security Force?
a) Ranjith Prasanna b) MN Mehta
c) Manju Kanna d) KK Sharma
e) Vohra Kumar

Q.303) A new software, 'Nidaan', has been launched in which of the following state for presumptive diagnosis and monitoring of seasonal and non-communicable diseases?
a) Gujarat b) Kerala
c) West Bengal d) Karnataka
e) Rajasthan

Q.304) Which is the first state in southern India, to be visited by 15th Finance Commission?
a) Kerala b) Telangana
c) Jharkhand d) Manipur
e) Uttarakhand

Q.305) How many member countries are in Shanghai Cooperation Organisation?
a) 6 b) 7
c) 8 d) 9 e) 10

Q.306) India has received its first crude oil cargo shipment from which of the following country?
a) Qatar b) Israel
c) Iraq d) Abu Dhabi
e) Sri Lanka

Q.307) Which is the first India bank to move a lots operation to the Gujarat International Finance Tec-City, GIFT city?
a) Bank of Baroda b) State Bank of India
c) Syndicate Bank d) Yes Bank
e) Indian Bank

Q.308) Who is the vice-chairman of NITI Aayog?
a) Thiru Moorthy b) Rajiv Kumar
c) Ranil Kumar d) Shankar Kumar
e) Gnanavel Shankar

Q.309) Who is the first female chief of New York Stock Exchange in the history of 226 years?
a) Natalia Gherman b) Helen Clark
c) Stacey Cunningham
d) Susana Malcorra e) None of these

Q.310) Alan Bean who has passed away recently is related to which of the following field?
a) Scientist b) Actor
c) Astronaut d) Sportsman
e) Politician

Q.311) Who has been appointed as the part-time official director of BHEL?
a) Atul Sobti b) S Biswas
c) Pravin Agrawal d) D Bandyopadhyay
e) Rajesh Kishore

Q.312) AB de Villiers, who retired from International Cricket hails from which country?
a) England b) South Africa
c) Australia d) West Indies
e) Bangladesh

Q.313) Manika Batra is related to which of the following sport?
a) Badminton b) Table Tennis
c) Weight Lifting d) Shooting
e) Hockey

Q.314) The West Asia Football Federation championship 2018 will be held in which of the following country?
a) Pakistan b) Bangladesh
c) Iran d) Iraq
e) Sri Lanka

Q.315) The ASEAN India Film Festival will begin in _____.
a) New Delhi b) Kolkata
c) Chennai d) Mumbai
e) Bhopal

Q.316) Which of the following state would get a specialized anti-Naxal combat force called "Black Panther"?
a) Bihar b) Madhya Pradesh
c) Chhattisgarh d) Maharashtra
e) Tamilnadu

Q.317) A three-day Smart Cities India 2018 Expo, began in _____.
a) New Delhi b) Kolkata
c) Chennai d) Mumbai
e) Bhopal

Q.318) Who launched Samagra Shiksha scheme for school education?
a) Rajnath Singh b) Prakash Javadekar
c) Narendra Modi d) Radha Mohan Singh
e) Arun Jaitley

Q.319) 'Surya Kiran' military exercise begin in _____.
a) Bihar b) Madhya Pradesh c) Chhattisgarh
d) Maharashtra e) Uttarakhand

Q.320) Which country has become the 64th signatory member of the International Solar Alliance?
a) Pakistan b) Bangladesh
c) Nepal d) Netherlands
e) Cambodia

Q.321) Which country has become the first country in south-east Asia to eliminate trachoma?
a) Pakistan b) Bangladesh
c) Nepal d) Netherland
e) Cambodia

Q.322) 5th India CLMV Business Conclave held at _____.
a) Pakistan b) Bangladesh
c) Nepal d) Netherland
e) Cambodia

Q.323) Which county has imposed a temporary ban on the exhibition and screening of Indian films during next month's Eid holidays?
a) Pakistan b) Bangladesh
c) Nepal d) Netherland
e) Cambodia

Q.324) Which country has officially joined the Chemical Weapons Convention?
a) Pakistan b) Palestine
c) Nepal d) Netherland
e) Cambodia

Q.325) Name the Nepali woman who created a world record by scaling three highest mountains in a single climbing season?
a) Nima Mangmu Sherpa
b) Nima Dangmu Sherpa
c) Sima Jangmu Sherpa
d) Jima Jangmu Sherpa
e) Nima Jangmu Sherpa

Q.326) Name the two persons who inaugurated Bangladesh Bhavan inside the Vishwa Bharti University complex took place in the presence of West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee?
a) Ram Nath Govind and Sheikh Hasina
b) Narendra Modi and Sheikh Hasina
c) Rajnath Singh and Sheikh Hasina
d) Arun Jaitley and Sheikh Hasina
e) Radha mohan singh and Sheikh Hasina

Q.327) With which country India to strengthen partnership in agriculture and Nature and Food Quality?
a) Pakistan b) Palestine
c) Nepal d) Netherlands
e) Cambodia

Q.328) India now ranked _____ on 'Ease of doing business' index as compared to previous year's 130.
a) 95th b) 97th
c) 98th d) 100th
e) 102nd

Q.329) Which leading digital financial services platform announced the launch of Unified Payments Interface (UPI) on its platform via its own Virtual payment address (VPA) handle?
a) BHIM b) Paytm
c) Mobikwik d) FasTag
e) Phonpe

Q.330) Which of the following country tops in the global competitive rankings out of 63 countries that were ranked by the IMD World Competitiveness Center?
a) Hongkong b) USA
c) India d) Singapore
e) UK

Q.331) Which of the following will provide financial support to Village Level Entrepreneurs who operate the Common Service Centres that act as access points for delivery of electronic services?
a) SIDBI b) NHB
c) IDBI d) IRDAI
e) None of the above

Q.332) Who was appointed as the managing director and CEO of Airtel Payments Bank?
a) Tapan Ray b) Charan Singh
c) Anubrata Biswas d) Anjali Bansal
e) C K Prasad

Q.333) Who has been appointed the chairman of the Press Council of India (PCI) for a second term?
a) Tapan Ray b) Charan Singh
c) Anubrata Biswas d) Anjali Bansal
e) C K Prasad

Q.334) Who has been appointed non-executive chairperson at Punjab & Sind Bank?
a) Tapan Ray b) Charan Singh
c) Anubrata Biswas d) Anjali Bansal
e) C K Prasad

Q.335) Which country will host 2020 Champions League final?
a) Hongkong b) USA

c) India
e) UK
Q.336) Which country along with WHO launched new campaign for football World Cup 2018?
a) Hongkong
c) India
e) Russia
Q.337) Which of the following state government has announced a unique life insurance scheme for farmers?
a) Kerala
c) Jharkhand
e) Uttarakhand
Q.338) Which state has become the first state in the Northeast and the third state in India to have solar toilets?
a) Kerala
c) Jharkhand
e) Uttarakhand
Q.339) Prime Minister Modi unveils projects of Rs 27,000 cr in _____.
a) Kerala
c) Jharkhand
e) Uttarakhand
Q.340) Which Ministry has created a new Division to address issues of women safety comprehensively. This Division would deal with all aspects of women safety in coordination with relevant Ministries/Departments and State Governments?
a) Ministry of Commerce
b) Ministry of Women and Child Development
c) Ministry of Finance
d) Ministry of Home Affairs
e) Minstry of Environment
Q.341) Who laid the foundation stone for the 2400MW first phase of NTPC's Patratu Super Thermal Power Project in Jharkhand?
a) Arun Jaitley
c) Narendra Modi
e) Rajnath Singh
Q.342) 9th edition of 'Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav' under the Ministry of Culture, inaugurated in _____.
a) Kerala
c) Jharkhand
e) Uttarakhand
Q.343) Who has launched a survey on the NaMo App, asking people to rate the performance of the government at the Centre and MPs and MLAs in their constituencies?
a) Sushma Swaraj
c) Narendra Modi
e) Suresh Prabhu
Q.344) Who has launched the twin pit toilet technology campaign in New Delhi?
a) Shilpa Shetty
c) Akshay kumar
e) None of these
Q.345) Who has signed an agreement to promote the Women Entrepreneurship Platform (WEP) of the NITI Aayog?

a) Sushant Singh Rajput
b) Katrina Kaif
d) Ajay Devgan
Q.346) Who has established additional Digital Collaborative Opportunities Plaza (SIDCOP) platform in China in an effort to provide market access to Indian IT firms in the huge Chinese market?
a) RBI
c) NASSCOM
e) ITI
Q.347) Who has launched a 'data visualisation app' which provides a user-friendly visual representation of complex analytics of the education scenario in the country?
a) UNIDO
c) UNICEF
e) UN
Q.348) Which bank has received approval from National Stock Exchange to be empanelled as 'Settlement Bank' for National Securities Clearing Corporation (NSCCL) , a wholly owned subsidiary of NSE?
a) Yes bank
c) HDFC Bank
e) IndusInd Bank
Q.349) Who has been appointed as the Prime Minister of Lebanon for Third Term?
a) Rafic Hariri
c) Michel Oun
e) Walid Jumblatt
Q.350) How much amount was signed between Indian service providers and Chinese customers at the launch of the corridor by China's Guiyang Municipal government and the NASSCOM?
a) RMB 6 million
c) RMB 36 million
e) RMB 15 million

c) Ranbir Kapoor
e) Ranveer Kapoor
b) GOI
d) UDAI

ENGLISH VOCABULARY
1) Elevation
Meaning: The action or fact of raising or being raised to a higher or more important level, state, or position.
Example: "Her sudden elevation to the cabinet"
Synonyms: Promotion, Advancement
Antonyms: Demotion
2) Inexplicable
Meaning: Unable to be explained or accounted for.
Example: "For some inexplicable reason her mind went completely blank"
Synonyms: Unaccountable, Puzzling
Antonyms: Understandable
3) Flawed
Meaning: Having or characterized by a fundamental weakness or imperfection.
Example: "A Fatally flawed strategy"
Synonyms: Unsound, Defective
Antonyms: Sound
4) Denying
Meaning: Refuse to give (something requested or desired) to (someone).
Example: "The inquiry was denied access to intelligence sources"
Synonyms: Refuse, Rebuff
Antonyms: Accept
5) Betrays
Meaning: Expose (one's country, a group, or a person) to danger by treacherously giving information to an enemy.
Example: "A double agent who betrayed some 400 British and French agents to the Germans"
Synonyms: Break faith with
Antonyms: Be loyal to
6) Fragility
Meaning: The quality of being easily broken or damaged.
Example: "Osteoporosis is characterized by bone fragility"
Synonyms: Frailty, Weakness
Antonyms: Robustness
7) Legitimised
Meaning: Make legitimate.
Example: "Voters legitimize the government through the election of public officials"
Synonyms: Validate, Legitimate
Antonyms: Outlaw
8) Incursions
Meaning: An invasion or attack, especially a sudden or brief one.
Example: "Incursions into enemy territory"

Synonyms: Attack on, Assault on

Antonyms: Retreat

9) Capitulates

Meaning: Cease to resist an opponent or an unwelcome demand; yield.

Example: "The patriots had to capitulate to the enemy forces"

Synonyms: Surrender, Yield

Antonyms: Resist

10) 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

11) Acrimony

Meaning: Bitterness or ill feeling.

Example: "The AGM dissolved into acrimony"

Synonyms: Bitterness, Rancour

Antonyms: Goodwill

12) Hostile

Meaning: Showing or feeling opposition or dislike; unfriendly.

Example:"A hostile audience"

Synonyms:Antagonistic, Aggressive

Antonyms: Friendly, Mild

13) Vital

Meaning:Absolutely necessary; essential.

Example:"Secrecy is of vital importance"

Synonyms:Essential, Crucial

Antonyms: Unimportant, Peripheral

14) Deteriorated

Meaning: Become progressively worse.

Example:"Relations between the countries had deteriorated sharply"

Synonyms:Worsen, Decline

Antonyms: Improve

15) Credible

Meaning: Able to be believed; convincing.

Example: "Few people found his story credible"

Synonyms: Acceptable, Reliable

Antonyms: Untrustworthy

16) Inhabited

Meaning:(Of a person, animal, or group) live in or occupy (a place or environment).

Example:"A bird that inhabits North America"

Synonyms: Occupy.

Antonyms: uninhabited, unpopulated.

17) Aspiration

Meaning: A hope or ambition of achieving something.

Example:"The needs and aspirations of the people"

Synonyms: Desire, Hope.

Antonyms: apathy, unconcern

18) Conceal

Meaning: Prevent (something) from being known; keep secret.

Example:"They were at great pains to conceal that information from the public"

Synonyms: Hide, Cover up.

Antonyms: show, uncover

19) Reliable

Meaning: Consistently good in quality or performance; able to be trusted.

Example:"A reliable source of information"

Synonyms: Dependable, Good.

Antonyms: Bad, Undependable.

20) Anomaly

Meaning: Something that deviates from what is standard, normal, or expected.

Example:"There are a number of anomalies in the present system"

Synonyms: Oddity, Peculiarity.

Antonyms: Normality, Conformity.

21) Rely

Meaning: Depend on with full trust or confidence.

Example:"I know I can rely on your discretion"

Synonyms: Depend, Count.

Antonyms: Doubt, Disbelieve.

22) Hurdle

Meaning: A problem or difficulty that must be overcome.

Example:"Many would like to emigrate to the United States, but face formidable hurdles"

Synonyms: Obstacle, Difficulty.

Antonyms: Advantage, Assistance

23) Emphasis

Meaning: Special importance, value, or prominence given to something.

Example:"They placed great emphasis on the individual's freedom"

Synonyms: Prominence, Importance.

Antonyms: Insistence, Significance

24) Rationale

Meaning: A set of reasons or a logical basis for a course of action or belief.

Example:"He explained the rationale behind the change"

Synonyms: Reasoning, Thinking.

Antonyms: Reality, Proof

25) Staggering

Meaning: Astonish or deeply shock.

Example:"I was staggered to find it was six o'clock"

Synonyms: Astonish, Amaze.

Antonyms: Unimpressive, Unremarkable.

26) Manoeuvre

Meaning: Carefully guide or manipulate (someone or something) in order to achieve an end.

Example:"They were manoeuvring him into betraying his friend"

Synonyms: Intrigue, Plot.

Antonyms: Ignorance, Honesty.

27) Revive

Meaning: Give new strength or energy to.

Example:"The cool, refreshing water revived us all"

Synonyms: Reinvigorate, Revitalize.

Antonyms: Destroy, Agitate

28) Tenure

Meaning: The holding of an office.

Example:"His tenure of the premiership would be threatened"

Synonyms: Incumbency, Term of office.

Antonyms: Misconception, Release

29) Probably

Meaning: Almost certainly; as far as one knows or can tell.

Example: "She would probably never see him again"

Synonyms: Possibly, Perhaps.

Antonyms: Inprobably, Uncertain

30) Coalition

Meaning: A temporary alliance for combined action, especially of political parties forming a government.

Example: "A coalition between Liberals and Conservatives"

Synonyms: Alliance, Union.

Antonyms: Separation, Disunion

31) Vows

Meaning: Solemnly promise to do a specified thing.

Example: "The rebels vowed to continue fighting"

Synonyms: Pledge, Promise.

Antonyms: Break, Breach

32) Drove

Meaning: Urge or force (animals or people) to move in a specified direction.

Example: "They drove a flock of sheep through the centre of the city"

Synonyms: Impel, Urge.

Antonyms: Spittle, Drool

33) Confined

Meaning: (Of a space) restricted in area or volume; cramped.

Example: "Her fear of confined spaces"

Synonyms: Restricted, Limited

Antonyms: Release, Neglect

34) Rely

Meaning: Depend on with full trust or confidence.

Example: "I know I can rely on your discretion"

Synonyms: Depend, Count.

Antonyms: Disbelieve, Distrust

35) Hostage

Meaning: A person seized or held as security for the fulfilment of a condition.

Example: "They were held hostage by armed rebels"

Synonyms: Captive, Prisoner.

Antonyms: Captor

36) Intended

Meaning: Planned or meant.

Example: "The intended victim escaped"

Synonyms: Deliberate, Intentional.

Antonyms: Unfixed

37) Proximity

Meaning: Nearness in space, time, or relationship.

Example: "Do not operate microphones in close proximity to television sets"

Synonyms: Closeness, Nearness.

Antonyms: Diatance, Remoteness

38) Rebellion

Meaning: An act of armed resistance to an established government or leader.

Example: "The authorities put down a rebellion by landless colonials"

Synonyms: Revolt, Insurrection.

Antonyms: Calm, Obedience.

39) Averse

Meaning: Having a strong dislike of or opposition to something.

Example: "As a former CIA director, he is not averse to secrecy"

Synonyms: Opposed to, Against.

Antonyms: Friendly, Sympathetic

40) Robust

Meaning: Strong and healthy; vigorous.

Example: "The Caplan family are a robust lot"

Synonyms: Strong, Vigorous

Antonyms: Fragile, Lethargic

41) Deceit

Meaning: The action or practice of deceiving someone by concealing or misrepresenting the truth.

Example: "A web of deceit"

Synonyms: Lying, Pretence.

Antonyms: Truth, Reality

42) Bolsters

Meaning: Support or strengthen.

Example: "The fall in interest rates is starting to bolster confidence"

Synonyms: Strengthen, Support.

Antonyms: Discourage, Block.

43) Reluctant

Meaning: Unwilling and hesitant; disinclined.

Example: "today, many ordinary people are still reluctant to talk about politics"

Synonyms: Unwilling, Grudging

Antonyms: Willing, Eager

44) Expediency

Meaning: The quality of being convenient and practical despite possibly being improper or immoral; convenience.

Example: "an act of political expediency"

Synonyms: Convenience, Advantage

Antonyms: Disadvantage

45) Untenable

Meaning: (especially of a position or view) not able to be maintained or defended against attack or objection.

Example: "this argument is clearly untenable"

Synonyms: Unarguable, Flawed

Antonyms: Tenable, Defensible

46) Disdain

Meaning: The feeling that someone or something is unworthy of one's consideration or respect.

Example: "her upper lip curled in disdain"

Synonyms: Contempt, Scorn

Antonyms: Admiration, Respect

47) Apportioned

Meaning: Divide up and share out.

Example: "voting power will be apportioned according to contribution"

Synonyms: Allocate, Distribute

Antonyms: Withhold, Refuse

48) Denting

Meaning: Have an adverse effect on; diminish.

Example: "this neither deterred him nor dented his enthusiasm"

Synonyms: Diminish, Reduce

Antonyms: Increase

49) Awkward

Meaning: Causing inconvenience, anxiety, or embarrassment.

Example: It was an awkward situation, because the restaurant was too expensive for us but we didn't want to just get up and walk out.

Synonyms: Difficult, Unpleasant

Antonyms: Relaxed, Easy

50) Ruthless

Meaning: Having or showing no pity or compassion for others.

Example: "a ruthless manipulator"

Synonyms: Merciless, Cruel

Antonyms: Gentle, Compassionate

51) Furnish

Meaning: To supply or provide something needed.

Example: Jeanne's catering company furnished all the food for the party.

Synonyms: Provide, Supply

Antonyms: Divest

52) Endure

Meaning: To continue to exist for a long time.

Example: The political system established in 1400 endured until about 1650.

Synonyms: Continue, Persist

Antonyms: Fade, Short-lived

53) Anxiety

Meaning: A feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something with an uncertain outcome.

Example: "he felt a surge of anxiety"

Synonyms: Worry, Concern

Antonyms: Calmness, Serenity

54) Controversy

Meaning: Prolonged public disagreement or heated discussion.

Example: "the design of the building has caused controversy"

Synonyms: Disagreement, Dispute

Antonyms: Agreement, Accord

55) Fuelled

Meaning: Sustain or inflame (an intense feeling).

Example: "his resignation fuelled speculation of an imminent cabinet reshuffle"

Synonyms: Stimulate, Intensify

Antonyms: Dampen

56) Threatening

Meaning: Having a hostile or deliberately frightening quality or manner.

Example: "her mother had received a threatening letter"

Synonyms: Menacing, Scary

Antonyms: Distant, Pleasant

57) Compliance

Meaning: The state or fact of according with or meeting rules or standards.

Example: “all imports of timber are in compliance with regulations”

Synonyms: Obedience to, Accordance with

Antonyms: Violation, Infringement

58) Barring

Meaning: Except for; if not for.

Example: “barring accidents, we should win”

Synonyms: Excepting, Excluding

Antonyms: Approval, Support.

59) Evasive

Meaning: Directed towards avoidance or escape.

Example: “they decided to take evasive action”

Synonyms: Avoiding, Dodging

Antonyms: Direct

60) Outstanding

Meaning: Not yet paid, resolved, or dealt with.

Example: “much of the work is still outstanding”

Synonyms: Incomplete, Undone

Antonyms: Paid, Finished

61) Alleviate

Meaning: Make (suffering, deficiency, or a problem) less severe.

Example: “he couldn’t prevent her pain, only alleviate it”

Synonyms: Reduce, Relieve

Antonyms: Aggravate

62) Looming

Meaning: (of an event regarded as threatening) seem about to happen.

Example: “there is a crisis looming”

Synonyms: Threaten, Impend

Antonyms: Distant, Remote.

63) Revert

Meaning: Return to (a previous state, practice, topic, etc.).

Example: “he reverted to his native language”

Synonyms: Return, Regress

Antonyms: Continue, Improve.

64) Lavish

Meaning: Sumptuously rich, elaborate, or luxurious.

Example: “a lavish banquet”

Synonyms: Lush, Gorgeous

Antonyms: Meagre

65) Vagaries

Meaning: An unexpected and inexplicable change in a situation or in someone’s behaviour.

Example: “the vagaries of the weather”.

Synonyms: Quirk, Oddity.

Antonyms: Choice, Economy.

66) Erstwhile

Meaning: Former.

Example: “the erstwhile president of the company”

Synonyms: Former, Sometime

Antonyms: Present, Future

67) Indigenous

Meaning: Originating or occurring naturally in a particular place; native.

Example: “the indigenous peoples of Siberia”

Synonyms: Native, Aboriginal

Antonyms: Expatriate, Migrant

68) Preferential

Meaning: Of or involving preference or partiality; constituting a favour or privilege.

Example: “preferential interest rates may be offered to employees”

Synonyms: Special, Better

Antonyms: Fairness.

69) Deter

Meaning: Prevent the occurrence of.

Example: “strategists think not only about how to deter war, but about how war might occur”

Synonyms: Prevent, Stop

Antonyms: Encourage

70) Casting

Meaning: Discard.

Example: “he jumped in, casting caution to the wind”

Synonyms: Discard, Reject

Antonyms: Accept

71) Estrangement

Meaning: The fact of no longer being on friendly terms or part of a social group.

Example: “the growing estrangement of the police from their communities”

Synonyms: Alienation, Hostility

Antonyms: Unity, Reconciliation

72) Foes

Meaning: An enemy or opponent.

Example: “his work was praised by friends and foes alike”

Synonyms: Rival, Adversary

Antonyms: Friend

73) Veteran

Meaning: A person who has had long experience in a particular field.

Example: “a veteran of two world wars”

Synonyms: Expert, Old-hand

Antonyms: Novice, Recruit

74) Acutely

Meaning: (with reference to something unpleasant or unwelcome) intensely.

Example: “the whole situation was acutely embarrassing”

Synonyms: Extremely, Very

Antonyms: Slightly

75) Collided

Meaning: Hit by accident when moving.

Example: “She collided with someone”

Synonyms: Conflict, Clash

Antonyms: Coalesce

76) Negligent

Meaning: Failing to take proper care over something.

Example: “The council had been negligent in its supervision of the children in care”

Synonyms: Careless, Remiss

Antonyms: Careful, Attentive

77) Hired

Meaning: Employ (someone) for wages.

Example: “Management hired and fired labour in line with demand”

Synonyms: Employ, Engage

Antonyms: Dismiss

78) Aggrieved

Meaning: Feeling resentment at having been unfairly treated.

Example: “They were aggrieved at the outcome”

Synonyms: Resentful, Angry

Antonyms: Pleased

79) Articulated

Meaning: Having two or more sections connected by a flexible joint.

Example: “An articulated lorry”

Synonyms: Segmented, Attached

Antonyms: Fixed

80) Corollary

Meaning: A proposition that follows from (and is often appended to) one already proved.

Example: “The huge increases in unemployment were the corollary of expenditure cuts”

Synonyms: Consequence, Result

Antonyms: Cause, Origin

81) Belied

Meaning: (Of an appearance) fail to give a true impression of (something).

Example: “His lively, alert manner belied his years”

Synonyms: Contradict, Disprove

Antonyms: Reveal

82) Perilous

Meaning: Full of danger or risk.

Example: “A perilous journey south”

Synonyms: Dangerous, Hazardous

Antonyms: Safe, Secure

83) Intense
Meaning: Having or showing strong feelings or opinions; extremely earnest or serious.
Example: "An intense young woman, passionate about her art"
Synonyms: Passionate, Ardent
Antonyms: Apathetic

84) Horrific
Meaning: Causing horror.
Example: "Horrific injuries"
Synonyms: Dreadful, Horrendous.
Antonyms: Delightful, Pleasant.

85) Countenance
Meaning: Admit as acceptable or possible.
Example: "He was reluctant to countenance the use of force"
Synonyms: Tolerate, Permit.
Antonyms: Disturbance, Anxiety.

86) Deliberate
Meaning: Done consciously and intentionally.
Example: "A deliberate attempt to provoke conflict"
Synonyms: Intentional, Calculated.
Antonyms: Ignorant, Uncareful.

87) Misadventure
Meaning: Death caused by a person accidentally while performing a legal act without negligence or intent to harm.
Example: "the coroner recorded a verdict of death by misadventure"
Synonyms: Accident, Problem
Antonyms: Advantage, Perfection.

88) Instill
Meaning: Gradually but firmly establish (an idea or attitude) in a person’s mind.
Example: "The standards her parents had instilled into her"
Synonyms: Inculcate, Implant.
Antonyms: Neglect, Uproot.

89) Chaos
Meaning: Complete disorder and confusion.
Example: "Snow caused chaos in the region"
Synonyms: Disorder, Disarray.
Antonyms: Organization, Calm.

90) Bolster
Meaning: Support or strengthen.
Example: "The fall in interest rates is starting to bolster confidence"
Synonyms: Strengthen, Support.
Antonyms: Undermine.

91) Setback
Meaning: A reversal or check in progress.

Example: "a serious setback for the peace process"
Synonyms: Problem, Difficulty
Antonyms: Breakthrough

92) Curtailed
Meaning: Reduce in extent or quantity; impose a restriction on.
Example: "civil liberties were further curtailed"
Synonyms: Reduce, Cut
Antonyms: Increase, Lengthen

93) Enriched
Meaning: Improve or enhance the quality or value of.
Example: "her exposure to museums enriched her life in France"
Synonyms: Enhance, Reinforce
Antonyms: Spoil, Devalue

94) Wrecked
Meaning: Spoil completely.
Example: "an eye injury wrecked his chances of a professional career"
Synonyms: Ruin, Spoil
Antonyms: Facilitate

95) 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

96) Allies
Meaning: A person or organization that cooperates with or helps another in a particular activity.
Example: "he was forced to dismiss his closest political ally"
Synonyms: Associate, Friend
Antonyms: Enemy, Opponent

97) Embolden
Meaning: Give (someone) the courage or confidence to do something.
Example: "emboldened by the claret, he pressed his knee against hers"
Synonyms: Encourage, Hearten
Antonyms: Dishearten, Discourage

98) Tumultuous
Meaning: Excited, confused, or disorderly.
Example: "a tumultuous crowd"
Synonyms: Tempestuous, Stormy
Antonyms: Peaceful, Uneventful

99) Misery
Meaning: A state or feeling of great physical or mental distress or discomfort.

Example: "a man who had brought her nothing but misery"
Synonyms: Unhappiness, Distress
Antonyms: Contentment, Pleasure

100) Ferocity
Meaning: The state or quality of being ferocious.
Example: "the ferocity of the storm caught them by surprise"
Synonyms: Savagery, Brutality
Antonyms: Gentleness

101) Mitigate
Meaning: Make (something bad) less severe, serious, or painful.
Example: "drainage schemes have helped to mitigate this problem"
Synonyms: Alleviate, Reduce
Antonyms: Aggravate, Increase

102) Provocative
Meaning: Causing anger or another strong reaction, especially deliberately.
Example: "A provocative article"
Synonyms: Annoying, Irritating
Antonyms: Soothing, Calming

103) Congruence
Meaning: Agreement or harmony; compatibility.
Example: "The results show quite good congruence with recent studies"
Synonyms: Compatibility, Conformity
Antonyms: Conflict

104) Seldom
Meaning: Not often; rarely.
Example: "Islay is seldom visited by tourists"
Synonyms: Rarely, Infrequently
Antonyms: Often, Frequently

105) Dwindled
Meaning: Diminish gradually in size, amount, or strength.
Example: "Traffic has dwindled to a trickle"
Synonyms: Diminish, Decrease
Antonyms: Increase, Flourish

106) Oppressive
Meaning: Inflicting harsh and authoritarian treatment.
Example: "An oppressive dictatorship"
Synonyms: Harsh, Cruel
Antonyms: Lenient, Humane

107) Frustration
Meaning: The feeling of being upset or annoyed as a result of being unable to change or achieve something.
Example: "Tears of frustration rolled down her cheeks"
Synonyms: Exasperation, Annoyance

Antonyms: Satisfaction

108) Exemptions

Meaning: The action of freeing or state of being free from an obligation or liability imposed on others.

Example: “Vehicles that may qualify for exemption from tax”

Synonyms: Immunity, Exception

Antonyms: Liability

109) Resumption

Meaning: The action of beginning something again after a pause or interruption.

Example: “With peace came the resumption of foreign imports”

Synonyms: Restart, Recommencement

Antonyms: Suspension, Abandonment

110) Defiant

Meaning: Showing defiance.

Example: “A defiant gesture”

Synonyms: Intransigent, Resistant

Antonyms: Apologetic, Cooperative

111) Emboldened

Meaning: Give (someone) the courage or confidence to do something.

Example: “Emboldened by the claret, he pressed his knee against hers”

Synonyms: Encourage, Hearten

Antonyms: Dishearten, Discourage

112) Implicit

Meaning: Suggested though not directly expressed.

Example: “Comments seen as implicit criticism of the policies”

Synonyms: Implied, Indirect

Antonyms: Explicit, direct

113) Vigilant

Meaning: Keeping careful watch for possible danger or difficulties.

Example: “The burglar was spotted by vigilant neighbours”

Synonyms: Watchful, Observed

Antonyms: Negligent, Inattentive

114) 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

115) 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

116) Ruffle

Meaning: Disconcert or upset the composure of (someone).

Example: “Lancaster had been ruffled by her questions”

Synonyms: Annoy, Irritate

Antonyms: Soothe, Calm

117) Objection

Meaning: An expression or feeling of disapproval or opposition; a reason for disagreeing.

Example: “they have raised no objections to the latest plans”

Synonyms: Protest, Demur

Antonyms: Approval, Acceptance

119) Quash

Meaning: Reject as invalid, especially by legal procedure.

Example: “his conviction was quashed on appeal”

Synonyms: Cancel, Reverse

Antonyms: Validate

120) Elevate

Meaning: Raise to a more important or impressive level.

Example: “he was elevated to Secretary of State”

Synonyms: Promote, Upgrade

Antonyms: Demote

121) Diverse

Meaning: Showing a great deal of variety; very different.

Example: “a culturally diverse population”

Synonyms: Various, Manifold

Antonyms: Similar, Uniform

122) Mounting

Meaning: Gradually increasing.

Example: Mounting anxiety/excitement.

Synonyms: Increase, Intensify

Antonyms: Decrease

123) Inquest

Meaning: An inquiry by a coroner’s court into the cause of a death.

Example: “they held an inquest into the death of her daughter”

Synonyms: Enquiry, Investigation

Antonyms: Conclusion, Findings.

124) Acute

Meaning: (of an unpleasant or unwelcome situation or phenomenon) present or experienced to a severe or intense degree.

Example: “an acute housing shortage”

Synonyms: Severe, Critical

Antonyms: Negligible

125) Shrank

Meaning: Become or make smaller in size or amount.

Example: “the workforce shrank to a thousand”

Synonyms: Diminish, Reduce

Antonyms: Expand, Increase

126) Mended

Meaning: Improve (an unpleasant situation).

Example: “quarrels could be mended by talking”

Synonyms: Remedy, Settle

Antonyms: Destroy, Worsen.

127) Unremitting

Meaning: Never relaxing or slackening; incessant.

Example: “Unremitting drizzle”

Synonyms: Relentless, Continual

Antonyms: Intermittent, Spasmodic

128) Defended

Meaning: Resist an attack made on (someone or something); protect from harm or danger.

Example: “We shall defend our island, whatever the cost”

Synonyms: Protect, Guard

Antonyms: Attack

129) Idle

Meaning: Without purpose or effect; pointless.

Example: “He did not want to waste valuable time in idle chatter”

Synonyms: Frivolous, Trivial

Antonyms: Serious, Meaningful

130) Imperative

Meaning: Giving an authoritative command; peremptory.

Example: “The bell pealed again, a final imperative call”

Synonyms: Peremptory, Imperious

Antonyms: Submissive

131) Curtail

Meaning: Reduce in extent or quantity; impose a restriction on.

Example: “Civil liberties were further curtailed”

Synonyms: Reduce, Decrease

Antonyms: Increase, Lengthen

132) Resentment

Meaning: Bitter indignation at having been treated unfairly.

Example: “His resentment at being demoted”

Synonyms: Bitterness, Irritation
Antonyms: Contentment, Happiness
133) Lapses
Meaning: (Of a right, privilege, or agreement) become invalid because it is not used, claimed, or renewed; expire.
Example: "He let his membership of CND lapse"
Synonyms: Expire, Terminate
Antonyms: Current, Valid
134) Allied
Meaning: Joined by or relating to members of an alliance.
Example: "Allied territories"
Synonyms: Federal, Associated
Antonyms: Independent, Hostile
135) Hatred
Meaning: Intense dislike; hate.
Example: "Racial hatred"
Synonyms: Loathing, Hate
Antonyms: Love, Liking
136) Faint
Meaning: Lacking conviction or enthusiasm; feeble.
Example: "She sent him a faint answering smile"
Synonyms: Unenthusiastic, Weak
Antonyms: Strong
137) Curtailing
Meaning: Reduce in extent or quantity; impose a restriction on.
Example: "Civil liberties were further curtailed"
Synonyms: Reduce, Cut
Antonyms: Increase, Lengthen
138) Amenable
Meaning: Open and responsive to suggestion; easily persuaded or controlled.
Example: "Parents who have amenable children"
Synonyms: Complaint, Biddable
Antonyms: Uncooperative
139) Abandon
Meaning: Give up completely (a practice or a course of action).
Example: "He had clearly abandoned all pretence of trying to succeed"
Synonyms: Renounce, Relinquish
Antonyms: Keep, Claim
140) Reviled
Meaning: Criticize in an abusive or angrily insulting manner.
Example: "He was now reviled by the party that he had helped to lead"
Synonyms: Criticize, Censure
Antonyms: Praise, Extol
141) Fragment

Meaning: Break or cause to break into fragments.
Example: "Lough Erne fragmented into a series of lakes"
Synonyms: Break up, Break.
Antonyms: Whole, Entirely.
142) Mandate
Meaning: The authority to carry out a policy, regarded as given by the electorate to a party or candidate that wins an election.
Example: "He called an election to seek a mandate for his policies"
Synonyms: Authority, Approval.
Antonyms: Breach, Refuse.
143) Overture
Meaning: An introduction to something more substantial.
Example: "The talks were no more than an overture to a long debate"
Synonyms: Preliminary, Prelude.
Antonyms: Conclusion, Withdrawal.
144) Bargain
Meaning: Negotiate the terms and conditions of a transaction.
Example: "He bargained with the local council to rent the stadium"
Synonyms: Haggle, Barter.
Antonyms: Differ, Dispute.
145) Subvert
Meaning: Undermine the power and authority of (an established system or institution).
Example: "An attempt to subvert democratic government"
Synonyms: Destabilize, Unsettle.
Antonyms: Improve, Uphold, Comply.
146) Defection
Meaning: The desertion of one's country or cause in favour of an opposing one.
Example: "His defection from the Labour Party"
Synonyms: Desertion, Absconding.
Antonyms: Plenty, Enough.
147) Muster
Meaning: Assemble (troops), especially for inspection or in preparation for battle.
Example: "17,000 men had been mustered on Haldon Hill"
Synonyms: Assemble, Bring together.
Antonyms: Single, Unit.
148) Resolve
Meaning: Settle or find a solution to (a problem or contentious matter).
Example: "The firm aims to resolve problems within 30 days"

Synonyms: Settle, Sort out.
Antonyms: Uncertainty, Reluctance.
149) Intervene
Meaning: Take part in something so as to prevent or alter a result or course of events.
Example: "He acted outside his authority when he intervened in the dispute"
Synonyms: Intercede, Involve oneself.
Antonyms: Connect, Combine
150) Partisan
Meaning: Prejudiced in favour of a particular cause.
Example: "Newspapers have become increasingly partisan"
Synonyms: Biased, Prejudiced.
Antonyms: Unbiased, Disinterested.
151) Exemplified
Meaning: Illustrate or clarify by giving an example.
Example: "he exemplified his point with an anecdote"
Synonyms: Illustrate, Demonstrate
Antonyms: Confuse, Puzzle.
152) Contour
Meaning: An outline representing or bounding the shape or form of something.
Example: "She traced the contours of his face with her finger"
Synonyms: Outline, Shape.
Antonyms: Affection, Burden.
153) Grapples
Meaning: Struggle to deal with or overcome (a difficulty or challenge).
Example: "other towns are still grappling with the problem"
Synonyms: Tackle, Confront
Antonyms: Avoid
154) Sunk
Meaning: Gradually decrease or decline in value, amount, quality, or intensity.
Example: "their output sank to a third of the pre-war figure"
Synonyms: Fall, Drop
Antonyms: Rise
155) Dwindling
Meaning: Diminish gradually in size, amount, or strength.
Example: "traffic has dwindled to a trickle"
Synonyms: Diminish, Decrease
Antonyms: Increase, Flourish
156) Depreciating
Meaning: Diminish in value over a period of time.

Example: “the latest cars will depreciate heavily in the first year”

Synonyms: Devalue, Cheapen

Antonyms: Appreciate

157) Intensive

Meaning: Concentrated on a single subject or into a short time; very thorough or vigorous.

Example: “she undertook an intensive Arabic course”

Synonyms: Thorough, Rigorous

Antonyms: Superficial, Partial

158) Tightening

Meaning: Make or become tight or tighter.

Example: “he tightened up the clips”

Synonyms: Secure, Strengthen

Antonyms: Loosen, Slacken

159) Hooked

Meaning: Attach or fasten with a hook or hooks.

Example: “the truck had a red lamp hooked to its tailgate”

Synonyms: Fasten, Secure

Antonyms: Unhitch

160) Scuppering

Meaning: Prevent from working or succeeding; thwart.

Example: “plans for a bypass were scuppered by a public inquiry”

Synonyms: Wreck, Destroy

Antonyms: Further, Promote

161) Complacent

Meaning: Showing smug or uncritical satisfaction with oneself or one’s achievements.

Example: “you can’t afford to be complacent about security”

Synonyms: Smug, Satisfied

Antonyms: Dissatisfied, Humble

162) Exodus

Meaning: A mass departure of people.

Example: “the annual exodus of sun-seeking Canadians to Florida”

Synonyms: Withdrawal, Evacuation

Antonyms: Arrival

163) Unenviable

Meaning: Difficult, undesirable, or unpleasant.

Example: “an unenviable reputation for drunkenness”

Synonyms: Disagreeable, Unpleasant

Antonyms: Envable, Desirable

164) Benign

Meaning: Gentle and kind.

Example: “his benign but firm manner”

Synonyms: Kind, Friendly

Antonyms: Unfriendly, Hostile

165) Consequences

Meaning: A result or effect, typically one that is unwelcome or unpleasant.

Example: “abrupt withdrawal of drug treatment can have serious consequences”

Synonyms: Result, Outcome

Antonyms: Cause

166) Eve

Meaning: The day or period of time immediately before an event or occasion.

Example: “on the eve of her departure he gave her a little parcel”

Synonyms: Period before, Day before

Antonyms: Day after

167) Eviction

Meaning: The action of expelling someone from a property; expulsion.

Example: “the forced eviction of residents”

Synonyms: Expulsion, Ejection

Antonyms: Admission

168) Remorse

Meaning: Deep regret or guilt for a wrong committed.

Example: “they were filled with remorse and shame”

Synonyms: Contrition, Repentance

Antonyms: Indifference

169) Glorious

Meaning: Having a striking beauty or splendour.

Example: “a glorious autumn day”

Synonyms: Wonderful, Marvelous

Antonyms: Horrid, Miserable

170) Retained

Meaning: Continue to have (something); keep possession of.

Example: “Labour retained the seat”

Synonyms: Keep, Hang on

Antonyms: Lose, Abolish

171) Integrity

Meaning: The condition of being unified or sound in construction.

Example: “The structural integrity of the novel”

Synonyms: Soundness, Strength

Antonyms: Fragility

172) Disregarded

Meaning: Pay no attention to; ignore.

Example: “The body of evidence is too substantial to disregard”

Synonyms: Ignore, Discount

Antonyms: Heed, Pay attention to

173) Diminished

Meaning: Make or become less.

Example: “The new law is expected to diminish the government’s chances”

Synonyms: Decrease, Decline

Antonyms: Increase, Flare up

174) Abandoned

Meaning: Give up completely (a practice or a course of action).

Example: “He had clearly abandoned all pretence of trying to succeed”

Synonyms: Renounce, Relinquish

Antonyms: Keep, Claim

175) Propriety

Meaning: Conformity to conventionally accepted standards of behaviour or morals.

Example: “He always behaved with the utmost propriety”

Synonyms: Decorum, Respectability

Antonyms: Impropropriety, Indecorum

176) Demonstrable

Meaning: Clearly apparent or capable of being logically proved.

Example: “The demonstrable injustices of racism”

Synonyms: Verifiable, Provable

Antonyms: Unverifiable

177) Discretion

Meaning: The quality of behaving or speaking in such a way as to avoid causing offence or revealing confidential information.

Example: “She knew she could rely on his discretion”

Synonyms: Circumspection, Care

Antonyms: Indiscretion, Rashness

178) Capriciously

Meaning: Given to sudden and unaccountable changes of mood or behaviour.

Example: “A capricious and often brutal administration”

Synonyms: Fickle, Inconstant

Antonyms: Stable, Consistent

179) Denied

Meaning: State that one refuses to admit the truth or existence of.

Example: “Both firms deny any responsibility for the tragedy”

Synonyms: Contradict, Repudiate

Antonyms: Confirm

180) Cessation

Meaning: The fact or process of ending or being brought to an end.

Example: “the cessation of hostilities”

Synonyms: End, Termination

Antonyms: Start, Resumption

181) Escalated

Meaning: Make or become more intense or serious.

Example: “the disturbance escalated into a full-scale riot”

Synonyms: Develop, Increase

Antonyms: Shrink

182) Equilibrium

Meaning: A state in which opposing forces or influences are balanced.

Example: “the task is the maintenance of social equilibrium”

Synonyms: Balance, Equality

Antonyms: Imbalance

183) Complementary

Meaning: Combining in such a way as to enhance or emphasize the qualities of each other or another.

Example: “they had different but complementary skills”

Synonyms: Supportive, Compatible

Antonyms: Incompatible

184) Conflict

Meaning: A prolonged armed struggle.

Example: “regional conflicts”

Synonyms: War, Campaign

Antonyms: Peace

185) Isolated

Meaning: Having minimal contact or little in common with others.

Example: “he lived a very isolated existence”

Synonyms: Solitary, Outlying

Antonyms: Accessible

186) Savage

Meaning: Extremely violent, wild, or frightening.

Example: a brutal and savage attack.

Synonyms: Attack, Condemn

Antonyms: Praise, Commend

187) Disparate

Meaning: Essentially different in kind; not able to be compared.

Example: “they inhabit disparate worlds of thought”

Synonyms: Different, Dissimilar

Antonyms: Homogeneous

188) Triumph

Meaning: A great victory or achievement.

Example: “a garden built to celebrate Napoleon’s many triumphs”

Synonyms: Victory, Win

Antonyms: Defeat

189) Fruitfully

Meaning: Producing good results.

Example: It was a most fruitful discussion, with both sides agreeing to adopt a common policy.

Synonyms: Good

Antonyms: Worst, Fruitless

190) Slim

Meaning: (of something abstract, especially a chance or margin) very small.

Example: “there was just a slim chance of success”

Synonyms: Slight, Slender

Antonyms: Good, Strong

191) Devolve

Meaning: Transfer or delegate (power) to a lower level, especially from central government to local or regional administration.

Example: “measures to devolve power to a Scottish assembly”

Synonyms: Delegate, Assign

Antonyms: Centralize, Retain

192) Persistent

Meaning: Continuing firmly or obstinately in an opinion or course of action in spite of difficulty or opposition.

Example: “one of the government’s most persistent critics”

Synonyms: Tenacious, Determined

Antonyms: Irresolute

193) Antediluvian

Meaning: Extremely old-fashioned.

Example: My mother has some hopelessly antediluvian ideas about the role of women.

Synonyms: Out of date, Outdated

Antonyms: Modern, Up to date

194) Overwhelming

Meaning: Very great in amount.

Example: “his party won overwhelming support”

Synonyms: Enormous, Immense

Antonyms: Small

195) Resilience

Meaning: The capacity to recover quickly from difficulties; toughness.

Example: “the often-remarkable resilience of so many British institutions”

Synonyms: Flexibility

Antonyms: Vulnerability, Weakness

196) Demonstrate

Meaning: Clearly show the existence or truth of (something) by giving proof or evidence.

Example: “their shameful silence demonstrates their ineptitude”

Synonyms: Reveal, Indicate

Antonyms: Hide

197) Fatal

Meaning: Causing death.

Example: “a fatal accident”

Synonyms: Deadly, Mortal

Antonyms: Harmless, Superficial

198) Vexed

Meaning: (of a problem or issue) difficult and much debated; problematic.

Example: “the vexed question of how much money the government is going to spend”

Synonyms: Debatable, Contentious

Antonyms: Undisputed, Resolved

199) Emphasised

Meaning: Give special importance or value to (something) in speaking or writing.

Example: “they emphasize the need for daily, one-to-one contact between parent and child”

Synonyms: Highlight, Spotlight

Antonyms: Understate

200) 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, Sagacious

Antonyms: Imprudent, Unwise

201) Tranquillity

Meaning: The quality or state of being tranquil; calm.

Example: “passing cars are the only noise that disturbs the tranquillity of rural life”

Synonyms: Peace, Repose

Antonyms: Commotion

202) Acquiescence

Meaning: The reluctant acceptance of something without protest.

Example: “in silent acquiescence, she rose to her feet”

Synonyms: Permit, Allow

Antonyms: Forbid, Refusal

203) Concessions

Meaning: The action of conceding or granting something.

Example: “this strict rule was relaxed by concession”

Synonyms: Admission, Acceptance

Antonyms: Denial, Retention

204) Embarked

Meaning: Begin (a course of action).

Example: “she embarked on a new career”

Synonyms: Begin, Start

Antonyms: End, Close

205) Jeopardised

Meaning: Put (someone or something) into a situation in which there is a danger of loss, harm, or failure.

Example: “a devaluation of the dollar would jeopardize New York’s position as a financial center”

Synonyms: Threaten, Endanger

Antonyms: Safeguard

206) Belligerent

Meaning: Hostile and aggressive.

Example: “the mood at the meeting was belligerent”

Synonyms: Hostile, Aggressive

Antonyms: Friendly, Peaceable

207) Manifest

Meaning: Clear or obvious to the eye or mind.

Example: “her manifest charm and proven ability”

Synonyms: Obvious, Clear

Antonyms: Hidden, Secret

208) Transgressions

Meaning: An act that goes against a law, rule, or code of conduct; an offence.

Example: “I’ll be keeping an eye out for further transgressions”

Synonyms: Offence, Crime

Antonyms: Obedience

209) Bolstered

Meaning: Support or strengthen.

Example: “the fall in interest rates is starting to bolster confidence”

Synonyms: Strengthen, Support

Antonyms: Undermine

210) Elite

Meaning: A select group that is superior in terms of ability or qualities to the rest of a group or society.

Example: “The elite of Britain’s armed forces”

Synonyms: Best, Pick

Antonyms: Dregs

211) Appetite

Meaning: A strong desire or liking for something.

Example: “Her appetite for life”

Synonyms: Craving, Longing

Antonyms: Aversion

212) Swampy

Meaning: Characteristic of or resembling a swamp.

Example: “A swampy area”

Synonyms: Marshy, Boggy

Antonyms: Firm, Dry

213) Surmount

Meaning: Overcome (a difficulty or obstacle).

Example: “All manner of cultural differences were surmounted”

Synonyms: Overcome, Conquer

Antonyms: Be beaten by

214) Beaming

Meaning: Used to describe a smile that is very wide and happy, or someone who is smiling in this way.

Example: A beaming smile.

Synonyms: Laughing, Smiling

Antonyms: Dull, Ugly.

215) Galvanise

Meaning: Shock or excite (someone) into taking action.

Example: “the urgency of his voice galvanized them into action”

Synonyms: Jolt, Impel

Antonyms: Demotivate

216) Dubious

Meaning: Hesitating or doubting.

Example: “I was rather dubious about the whole idea”

Synonyms: Doubtful, Uncertain

Antonyms: Certain, Definite

217) Inclusion

Meaning: The action or state of including or of being included within a group or structure.

Example: “They have been selected for inclusion in the scheme”

Synonyms: Incorporation, Addition

Antonyms: Exclusion, Omission

218) Diminishing

Meaning: Make or become less.

Example: “The new law is expected to diminish the government’s chances”

Synonyms: Decrease, Decline

Antonyms: Increase

219) Naive

Meaning: (Of a person) natural and unaffected; innocent.

Example: “Andy had a sweet, naive look when he smiled”

Synonyms: Innocent, Artless

Antonyms: Sophisticated, Worldly

220) Scarce

Meaning: Occurring in small numbers or quantities; rare.

Example: “The freshwater shrimp becomes scarce in soft water”

Synonyms: Rare, Unusual

Antonyms: Common

221) Truancy

Meaning: The action of staying away from school without good reason; absenteeism.

Example: “Fines to tackle truancy”

Synonyms: Absenteeism, Absence

Antonyms: Attendance

222) Burgeoning

Meaning: Begin to grow or increase rapidly; flourish.

Example: “Manufacturers are keen to cash in on the burgeoning demand”

Synonyms: Grow, Expand

Antonyms: Shrink

223) Cripples

Meaning: Cause a severe and almost insuperable problem for.

Example: “Developing countries are crippled by their debts”

Synonyms: Ruin, Destroy

Antonyms: Boost

224) 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

225) Erring

Meaning: Be mistaken or incorrect; make a mistake.

Example: “The judge had erred in ruling that the evidence was inadmissible”

Synonyms: Mistake, Miscalculate

Antonyms: Innocent, Well behaved

226) Bureaucratic

Meaning: Relating to a system of government in which most of the important decisions are taken by state officials rather than by elected representatives.

Example: “Well-established bureaucratic procedures”

Synonyms: Administrative, Official

Antonyms: Simple, Relaxed

227) Hasten

Meaning: Move or travel hurriedly.

Example: “We hastened back to Paris”

Synonyms: Hurry, Dash

Antonyms: Dawdle, Crawl

228) Peril

Meaning: Serious and immediate danger.

Example: “You could well place us both in peril”

Synonyms: Danger, Risk

Antonyms: Safety, Security

229) Tremendous

Meaning: Very great in amount, scale, or intensity.

Example: “Penny put in a tremendous amount of time”

Synonyms: Huge, Enormous

Antonyms: Tiny, Small

230) Outlawing

Meaning: Ban or make illegal.

Example: “secondary picketing has been outlawed”

Synonyms: Ban, Prohibit

Antonyms: Permit, Allow

231) Humility

Meaning: The quality of having a modest or low view of one’s importance.

Example: “He needs the humility to accept that their way may be better”

Synonyms: Modesty, Meekness

Antonyms: Pride

232) Reassure

Meaning: Say or do something to remove the doubts and fears of (someone).

Example: “He understood her feelings and tried to reassure her”

Synonyms: Comfort, Soothe

Antonyms: Alarm, Unnerve

234) Arid

Meaning: (of land or a climate) having little or no rain; too dry or barren to support vegetation.

Example: “the arid plains north of Cape Town”

Synonyms: Dry, Thirsty

Antonyms: Wet, Fertile

235) Bountiful

Meaning: Large in quantity; abundant.

Example: “the ocean provided a bountiful supply of fresh food”

Synonyms: Abundant, Plentiful

Antonyms: Meagre

236) Depleted

Meaning: Use up the supply or resources of.

Example: “fish stocks are severely depleted”

Synonyms: Exhaust, Consume

Antonyms: Augment, Increase

237) Comprehensive

Meaning: Of large content or scope; wide-ranging.

Example: “a comprehensive collection of photographs”

Synonyms: Inclusive, Complete

Antonyms: Partial, Selective

238) Prosperity

Meaning: The state of being prosperous.

Example: “a long period of peace and prosperity”

Synonyms: Wealth, Success

Antonyms: Hardship, Failure

239) Dwindles

Meaning: Diminish gradually in size, amount, or strength.

Example: “traffic has dwindled to a trickle”

Synonyms: Diminish, Decrease

Antonyms: Increase, Flourish

240) Vigour

Meaning: Effort, energy, and enthusiasm.

Example: “they set about the new task with vigour”

Synonyms: Good condition, Robustness

Antonyms: Weakness

241) Tactic

Meaning: An action or strategy carefully planned to achieve a specific end.

Example: “The minority attempted to control the Council by a delaying tactic”

Synonyms: Strategy, Scheme

Antonyms: Imprudent, Unwise.

242) Quest

Meaning: A long or arduous search for something.

Example: “The quest for a reliable vaccine has intensified”

Synonyms: Search, Hunt.

Antonyms: Retreat.

243) Stitch

Meaning: Make, mend, or join (something) with stitches.

Example: “Stitch a plain seam with right sides together”

Synonyms: Sew, Baste.

Antonyms: Comfort, Ease.

244) Rampant

Meaning: (Especially of something unwelcome) flourishing or spreading unchecked.

Example: “Political violence was rampant”

Synonyms: Uncontrolled, Unrestrained.

Antonyms: Gentle, Controlled, Restrained.

245) Antipathy

Meaning: A deep-seated feeling of aversion.

Example: “His fundamental antipathy to capitalism”

Synonyms: Hostility, Antagonism.

Antonyms: Approval, Kindness.

246) Promptly

Meaning: With little or no delay; immediately.

Example: “He paid the fine promptly”

Synonyms: Punctually, On time.

Antonyms: Slowly, Late.

247) Rivalry

Meaning: Competition for the same objective or for superiority in the same field.

Example: “There always has been intense rivalry between the clubs”

Synonyms: Competitiveness, Competition.

Antonyms: Accord, Peace.

249) Eradicate

Meaning: Destroy completely; put an end to.

Example: “This disease has been eradicated from the world”

Synonyms: Get rid of, Eliminate.

Antonyms: Schedule, Assist.

250) Array

Meaning: Display or arrange (things) in a particular way.

Example: “The manifesto immediately divided the forces arrayed against him”

Synonyms: Arrange, Assemble

Antonyms: Entity, Unit.

251) Shrink

Meaning: Become or make smaller in size or amount.

Example: “The workforce shrank to a thousand”

Synonyms: Contract, Diminish.

Antonyms: Extend, Rise.

252) Viable

Meaning: Capable of working successfully; feasible.

Example: “The proposed investment was economically viable”

Synonyms: Workable, Feasible.

Antonyms: Unfeasible, Unpractical.

253) Unison

Meaning: Simultaneous performance or utterance of action or speech.

Example: “‘Yes, sir,’ said the girls in unison”

Synonyms: Simultaneously, At (one and) the same time.

Antonyms: Opposition, Separation.

254) Brutal

Meaning: Savagely violent.

Example: “A brutal murder”

Synonyms: Savage, Cruel.

Antonyms: Gentle, Calm.

255) Breakthrough

Meaning: A sudden, dramatic, and important discovery or development.

Example: “A major breakthrough in the fight against AIDS”

Synonyms: Advance, Development.

Antonyms: Decline, Stepback.

256) Confrontation

Meaning: A hostile or argumentative situation or meeting between opposing parties.

Example: “A confrontation with the legislature”

Synonyms: Conflict, Clash.

Antonyms: Peace, Calm.

257) Allege

Meaning: Claim or assert that someone has done something illegal or wrong, typically without proof.

Example: "He alleged that he had been assaulted"

Synonyms: Claim, Assert

Antonyms: Withhold, Protest

258) Utterance

Meaning: A spoken word, statement, or vocal sound.

Example: "He whispered, as if to lend his utterances an added confidentiality"

Synonyms: Remark, Comment.

Antonyms: Request, Silence

259) Halt

Meaning: Bring or come to an abrupt stop.

Example: "There is growing pressure to halt the bloodshed"

Synonyms: Stop, Come to a halt.

Antonyms: Start, Endurance.

260) Dismantle

Meaning: Take (a machine or structure) to pieces.

Example: "The engines were dismantled, and the bits piled into a heap"

Synonyms: Take apart, Take to pieces

Antonyms: Construct, Repair

261) Inoperable

Meaning: Not able to be used.

Example: "The airfield was bombed and made inoperable"

Synonyms: Unusable, Out of action.

Antonyms: Curable, Operable.

262) Rhetoric

Meaning: The art of effective or persuasive speaking or writing, especially the exploitation of figures of speech and other compositional techniques.

Example: "He is using a common figure of rhetoric, hyperbole"

Synonyms: Oratory, Eloquence.

Antonyms: Quiest, Conciseness.

263) Unravel

Meaning: Investigate and solve or explain (something complicated or puzzling).

Example: "They were attempting to unravel the cause of death"

Synonyms: Solve, Resolve.

Antonyms:Tangle, Tie.

264) Conciliatory

Meaning: Intended or likely to placate or pacify.

Example: "A conciliatory approach"

Synonyms: Propitiatory, Placatory.

Antonyms: Refusing, Stubborn

265) Crisis

Meaning: A time of intense difficulty or danger.

Example: "The current economic crisis"

Synonyms: Catastrophe, Calamity.

Antonyms: Benefit, Miracle

267) Witnessed

Meaning: See (an event, typically a crime or accident) happen.

Example: "Staff who witnessed the murder"

Synonyms: See, Observe.

Antonyms: Reject, Refutation

268) Trigger

Meaning: Cause (a device) to function.

Example: "Burglars fled empty-handed after triggering the alarm"

Synonyms: Activate, Set off.

Antonyms: Destroy, Prevant.

269) Gauge

Meaning: Judge or assess (a situation, mood, etc.).

Example: "She was unable to gauge his mood"

Synonyms: Assess, Evaluate.

Antonyms: Estimate, Unimportance.

270) Irony

Meaning: A state of affairs or an event that seems deliberately contrary to what one expects and is often wryly amusing as a result.

Example: "The irony is that I thought he could help me"

Synonyms: Paradox, Paradoxical nature.

Antonyms: Approval, Respect.

271) Consent

Meaning: Permission for something to happen or agreement to do something.

Example: "No change may be made without the consent of all the partners"

Synonyms: Agreement, Assent.

Antonyms: Denial, Refusal.

272) Alienation

Meaning: The state or experience of being alienated.

Example: "A sense of alienation from our environment"

Synonyms: Isolation, Detachment

Antonyms: Connection, Agreement.

273) Accusation

Meaning: A charge or claim that someone has done something illegal or wrong.

Example: "Accusations of bribery"

Synonyms: Allegation, Charge.

Antonyms: Approval, Commendation.

274) Deploy

Meaning: Bring into effective action.

Example: "Small states can often deploy resources more freely"

Synonyms: Use, Utilize.

Antonyms: Conceal, Disturb.

275) Premeditate

Meaning: Think out or plan (an action, especially a crime) beforehand.

Example: "Premeditated murder"

Synonyms: Planned, Intentional.

Antonyms: Forget, Ignore.

276) Commensurate

Meaning: Corresponding in size or degree; in proportion.

Example: "Salary will be commensurate with age and experience"

Synonyms: Equivalent, Equal.

Antonyms: Inadequate, Unsuitable.

277) Intervene

Meaning: Take part in something so as to prevent or alter a result or course of events.

Example: "He acted outside his authority when he intervened in the dispute"

Synonyms: Intercede, Involve oneself.

Antonyms: Leave, Connect.

278) Fortunes

Meaning: Chance or luck as an arbitrary force affecting human affairs.

Example: "Some malicious act of fortune keeps them separate"

Synonyms: Chance, Accident.

Antonyms: Misfortune, Poverty.

279) Impose

Meaning: Force (an unwelcome decision or ruling) on someone.

Example: "The decision was theirs and was not imposed on them by others"

Synonyms: Fist, Force.

Antonyms: Forget, Prevent.

280) Injunction

Meaning: An authoritative warning or order.

Example: "The court has issued an injunction to prevent the airline from increasing its prices"

Synonyms: Order, Ruling.

Antonyms: Allowance, Answer.

281) Heal

Meaning: Cause (a wound, injury, or person) to become sound or healthy again.

Example: "His concern is to heal sick people"

Synonyms: Make better, Make well.

Antonyms: Neglect, Unsettle.

282) Barred

Meaning: Prevent or prohibit (someone) from doing something or from going somewhere.

Example: "Journalists had been barred from covering the elections"

Synonyms: Prohibit, Debar.

Antonyms: Admit, Accept.

283) Cramped

Meaning: Inhibit the development of.

Example: "Tighter rules will cramp economic growth"

Synonyms: Hinder, Impede

Antonyms: Huge, Uncramped.

284) Chronicle

Meaning: Record (a series of events) in a factual and detailed way.

wilful defaulters. The scheme was later modified in _____, based on recommendations of Working Group on wilful defaulters.

- a) March 2002
- b) April 2002
- c) June 2002
- d) July 2002
- e) May 2002

Q.8) Which of the following bank has the highest number of wilful defaulters (1,664) among the Public-Sector Banks (PSBs) with an amount involving Rs 28,257 crore as on December 2017?

- a) Punjab National Bank
- b) State Bank of India
- c) Union Bank of India
- d) Central Bank of India
- e) UCO Bank

Q.9) _____ is a form of a guarantee issued by a banking entity to a person concerned for availing short term credit from the overseas branch of an Indian bank.

- a) Balance of Payments
- b) Letter of Credit
- c) Letter of Undertaking
- d) Letter of Underwriting
- e) Line of Credit

Q.10) The Reserve Bank of India had issue Rs.10 denomination banknotes in the Mahatma Gandhi (New) Series. Dimension of the banknote is _____.

- a) 63 mm x 127 mm
- b) 62 mm x 125 mm
- c) 63 mm x 124 mm
- d) 66 mm x 123 mm
- e) 63 mm x 123 mm

Q.11) RBI recently introduced the Rs.10 denomination banknotes. Which of the following statement is true about Rs.10 banknotes?

- a) Ashoka Pillar emblem on the right (Front side)
- b) Motif of Sun Temple, Konark on reverse side
- c) The base colour of the note is Chocolate Brown.
- d) Year of printing of the note on the left (Reverse side)
- e) All the above

Q.12) Which of the following statement is false about the Rs.50 denomination banknotes, recently released by RBI?

- a) The new denomination has motif of Hampi with Chariot on the reverse side
- b) The base colour of the note is Fluorescent Blue.
- c) Dimension of the banknote will be 66 mm x 135 mm.
- d) All are true
- e) Both a and b

Q.13) Which of the following country has emerged as the largest remittance-receiving country in the world, as per the RemitSCOPE report?

- a) China
- b) India
- c) Philippines
- d) Vietnam
- e) Pakistan

Q.14) The New Governor of the People's Bank of China (Central Bank of China) ?

- a) Kim Lee Myung
- b) Jim Yong
- c) Yi Gang
- d) Yu Kim
- e) Jim Gang

Q.15) What is the rank of India among 156 countries in World Happiness Index 2018, released by UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network?

- a) 118th
- b) 120th
- c) 133rd
- d) 135th
- e) 142nd

Q.16) Which of the following bank has launched "Mission Parivartan" to check loan slippages and frauds in the bank?

- a) Punjab National Bank
- b) Union Bank of India
- c) Canara Bank
- d) State Bank of India
- e) Dena Bank

Q.17) What is the position of India among 114 countries on the World Economic Forum's (WEF) Energy Transition Index 2018, topped by Sweden?

- a) 64th
- b) 85th
- c) 78th
- d) 100th
- e) 56th

Q.18) At which rate India's GDP will grow in 2018-19 as forecast by the World Bank recently?

- a) 7.6 per cent
- b) 7.1 per cent
- c) 7.2 per cent
- d) 7.5 per cent
- e) 7.3 per cent

Q.19) World's Happiest Country 2018 as per the recent annual survey of the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network?

- a) Sweden
- b) Finland
- c) Denmark
- d) Spain
- e) Mexico

Q.20) Which of the following private sector bank has started its instant overdraft "InstaOD" facility for MSME customers?

- a) Kotak Mahindra Bank
- b) ICICI Bank
- c) HDFC Bank
- d) Axis Bank
- e) YES Bank

Q.21) Name the private sector bank which recently brought its IPO to raise about Rs.45 billion, making it the eight most valuable bank in the country.

- a) Bandhan Bank
- b) ICICI Bank
- c) Axis Bank
- d) HDFC Bank
- e) YES Bank

Q.22) Name the payment bank on which the RBI has imposed a penalty of Rs.50mn for violating KYC norms.

- a) Paytm Payment Bank
- b) India Post Payment Bank
- c) Fino Payment Bank
- d) Airtel Payment Bank
- e) Jio Payment Bank

Q.23) Which bank has launched India's first home loan linked to the 3-month Government of India Treasury Bill benchmark rate?

- a) HSBC Bank
- b) RBL Bank
- c) Citi Bank India
- d) City Union Bank
- e) Royal Bank of Scotland

Q.24) Which of the following public sector bank has the largest number of overseas branches (52) as of now/ till date?

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

Q.25) Which of the following private sector bank has fined Rs.3 crore by the RBI for violating regulations for assessment of NPA's?

- a) Axis Bank
- b) IndusInd Bank
- c) YES Bank
- d) Karur Vysya Bank
- e) Kotak Mahindra Bank

Q.26) Which e-commerce company has received approval from SEBI to become a registered investment advisor?

- a) Amazon
- b) Alibaba
- c) Paytm
- d) Paypal
- e) Flipkart

Q.27) _____ is the activity of undertaking a derivation transaction to reduce an identifiable and measurable risk.

- a) Letter of Credit
- b) Hedging
- c) Pledge
- d) Letter of Undertaking
- e) Line of Credit

Q.28) Which company has exited the white-label ATM segment primarily on viability issues, recently?

- a) SREI Infrastructure Finance Ltd
- b) India Infrastructure Finance Company Ltd
- c) L&T Infrastructure Finance Company
- d) Mahindra Infrastructure Finance Company
- e) ESCI Infrastructure Finance Company

Q.29) Government of India has signed a \$120 million loan agreement with which bank to complete double-tracking and electrification of railway tracks along high-density corridors in India and improve operational efficiency of the country's railway networks?

- a) New Development Bank
- b) Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank
- c) IMF
- d) World Bank
- e) Asian Development Bank

Q.30) The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has directed banks to link the SWIFT (Society for World Interbank Financial Telecommunication System platform) with the Core Banking Solutions (CBS) of banks by _____.

- a) June 30, 2018
- b) April 30, 2018
- c) May 30, 2018
- d) July 30, 2018
- e) August 30, 2018

Q.31) Which has further tightened the Priority Sector Lending (PSL) norms for foreign banks by directing them to mandatorily create sub-targets so that they lend a portion of their loans to small and marginal farmers as well as micro enterprises from April, 2018?

- a) State Bank of India
- b) SIDBI
- c) Reserve Bank of India
- d) NABARD

e) SEBI
Q.32) ICBC is China's largest lender by market value has launched China's first India-dedicated publicly offered investment fund. Expand ICBC
a) Institutional and Commercial Bank of China
b) Industrialised and Commercial Bank of China
c) Investment and Commercial Bank of China
d) Infrastructure and Commercial Bank of China
e) Industrial and Commercial Bank of China
Q.33) Headquarters of credit rating agency "Fitch" is in _____.
a) Moscow, Russia
b) New York, United States
c) London, United Kingdom
d) Paris, France
e) Geneva, Switzerland
Q.34) As per Grant Thornton's Survey, which country topped the Biz Optimism Index 2018?
a) USA
b) Austria
c) Netherlands
d) Finland
e) Indonesia
Q.35) Which of the public sector bank that RBI has imposed a monetary penalty of Rs.20 mn for failure to comply with KYC norms?
a) Union Bank of India
b) UCO Bank
c) Punjab National Bank
d) Indian Bank
e) Indian Overseas Bank
Q.36) National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) is an Indian central securities depository. Its headquarters is located in _____.
a) Hyderabad, Telangana
b) New Delhi, India
c) Mumbai, Maharashtra
d) Bangalore, Karnataka
e) Chennai, Tamil Nadu
Q.37) What is the rank of India in the FDI Confidence Index 2018 as per global consultancy firm A T Kearney report?
a) 13th
b) 11th
c) 10th
d) 9th
e) 8th
Q.38) Which state-owned gas utility has borrowed Rs.2,000 crore loan from State Bank of India (SBI) to meet its general capital expenditure requirement, recently?
a) Oil India Ltd
b) ONGC
c) GAIL India
d) India Oil
e) ESSAR Oil Limited
Q.39) According to Deutsche Bank Research report, India's GDP is likely to grow to _____ in this year FY19.
a) 7.4%
b) 7.5%
c) 7.2%
d) 7.0%
e) 7.3%
Q.40) IRA 2.0 an interactive humanoid has been developed by which bank in collaboration with its technology partners Invento Makerspaces and Senseforth Technologies?
a) IndusInd Bank
b) Kotak Mahindra Bank

c) HDFC Bank
d) ICICI Bank
e) Axis Bank
Q.41) Which of the following statement is true about "Van Dhan Scheme" or "Van Dhan Vikas Kendra"?
a) It is launched by Ministry of Tribal Affairs and TRIFED during the celebrations of Ambedkar Jayanti at Bijapur, Chattisgarh.
b) For providing skill upgradation and capacity building training and setting up of primary processing and value addition facility.
c) Total outlay of Rs.43.38 lakhs for training, providing equipment's & tools for primary level processing and infrastructure & building for housing.
d) All are true
e) Both b and c
Q.42) Which of the following statement is false about "Pravasi Pension Scheme"?
a) The scheme gives those hailing from Kerala but living outside the state or country, a pension of Rs.2,000 a month.
b) People over the age of 60 years are eligible for the pension.
c) To avail this scheme, one needs to pay Rs. 50 every month.
d) Both a and c
e) Both a and b
Q.43) Which of the following statement is true about "GOBAR Dhan Yojana"?
a) It is launched by Union Minister Uma Bharti in Haryana's Karnal district.
b) To positively contribute to cleanliness and generate energy from solid waste.
c) Acronym of GOBAR is Galvanizing Organic Bio-Agro Resources
d) All are true
e) Both b and c
Q.44) Which of the following statement is false about "Rupashree scheme"?
a) To provide marriage assistance to girls coming from economically weaker families with a budgetary allocation of Rs 1500 crore.
b) The monetary assistance will be provided at the time of marriage after the girl has attained the age of 18 years.
c) Before marriage an amount of Rs 20,000 will be credited to girl's bank account.
d) Both a and b
e) Both b and c
Q.45) Which of the following statement is false about "Atal Amrit Abhiyan" scheme?
a) It is a health insurance scheme which will provide coverage against several critical illnesses launched by Assam Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal.
b) Coverage under the Scheme will be up to Rs. 2 lakh annually for critical health care costs.
c) Families with annual income below Rs. 2.5 lakh for both BPL and APL
d) Both a and b
e) Both b and c
Q.46) Which of the following statement is true about "e-FRRO scheme"?
a) It is launched by Union home minister Rajnath Singh

b) It will allow foreign tourists/travellers to avail of paperless and cashless visa-related services online while eliminating the need for any human interface.
c) Acronym of e-FRRO is e-Foreigners Regional Registration Office
d) All are true
e) Both b and c
Q.47) Which of the following statement is true about Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana "Saubhagya" launched on 25th September, 2017?
a) To provide energy access to all by last mile connectivity and electricity connections to all un-electrified households in rural as well as urban areas.
b) Poor households would be provided electricity connections free of cost
c) Other households would also be provided electricity connections under the scheme on payment of Rs.500 only which shall be recovered by the DISCOMs/Power Departments in ten (10) instalments along with electricity bills.
d) All are true
e) Both b and c
Q.48) Which of the following state government has launched "Ganga Hariteema Yojana" (also known as Ganga Greenery scheme) in 27 districts of the state, recently?
a) West Bengal
b) Bihar
c) Uttarakhand
d) Uttar Pradesh
e) Assam
Q.49) Name the state which has recently launched Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana "Saubhagya", to achieve universal household electrification in all parts of the country in a time bound manner.
a) Maharashtra
b) Nagaland
c) Mizoram
d) Assam
e) West Bengal
Q.50) Which of the following is the first electronic securities depository in India with national coverage based on a suggestion by a national institution responsible for the economic development of India?
a) Nation Depository Services Ltd
b) Armour Security Pvt Ltd
c) National Securities Depository Limited
d) Central Depository Services (India) Ltd
e) State Depository Services (India) Ltd
Q.51) Who has been appointed as the Brand Ambassador of Mother's Absolute Affection Programme?
a) Vidya Balan
b) Deepika Padukone
c) Aishwarya Rai
d) Priyanka Chopra
e) Madhuri Dixit
Q.52) Which of the state government has recently launched a new scheme named "Sanchar Kranti Yojana (SKY)" to reduce the digital divide among citizens?
a) Jharkhand
b) Chhattisgarh
c) Rajasthan
d) Odisha
e) Bihar

Q.53) Prime Minister Narendra Modi has launched Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan at Ramnagar in Madhya Pradesh. The aim of this scheme was _____.

- a) To strengthen the country's Panchayati Raj system and address critical gaps that hinder its success.
- b) To provide financial assistance to below poverty line
- c) To provide electricity to all the un-electrified households in both urban and rural areas.
- d) To avail of paperless and cashless visa-related services online
- e) To strengthen the country's Tax system and address critical gaps that hinder its success.

Q.54) What is the rank of India in the Press Freedom Index 2018 among 180 countries, as per the Reporters Without Borders (RSF) ?

- a) 133rd
- b) 138th
- c) 140th
- d) 132nd
- e) 145th

Q.55) 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) , recently?

- a) Vijaya Bank
- b) Bank of Baroda
- c) State Bank of India
- d) Indian Bank
- e) Bank of India

Q.56) Which of the following organisation has launched 'Samridhhi - the virtual assistant' on banks revamped universal loan portal www.udyamimitra.in,recently?

- a) NABARD
- b) NHB
- c) SIDBI
- d) SEBI
- e) RBI

Q.57) Headquarters of Jana Small Finance Bank is in _____.

- a) Bangalore, Karnataka
- b) Mumbai, Maharashtra
- c) Guwahati, Assam
- d) Thirssur, Kerala
- e) Jalandar, Punjab

Q.58) Under which section of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949, RBI has issued a licence to the bank to carry on the business of payments bank in India?

- a) Section 27(1)
- b) Section 25(1)
- c) Section 21(1)
- d) Section 23(1)
- e) Section 22(1)

Q.59) Who is the current CEO of Deutsche Bank?

- a) John Cryan
- b) Christian Sewing
- c) Paul Achleitner
- d) Gustav Müller
- e) Gustav Kutter

Q.60) SBI has announced the launch of its UK subsidiary, SBI (UK) Limited, with how much initial corpus from its parent entity?

- a) 235 million pounds
- b) 225 million pounds
- c) 215 million pounds
- d) 250 million pounds
- e) 275 million pounds

Q.61) Reserve Bank of India tightened reporting norms for the LRS under which an individual can

transfer up to USD 2,50,000 abroad in a year. Expand the term LRS.

- a) Libor Remittance Scheme
- b) Legal Remittance Scheme
- c) Liquidity Remittance Scheme
- d) Leverage Remittance Scheme
- e) Liberalised Remittance Scheme

Q.62) Which public sector bank has come up with an alternate & convenient method of cash withdrawal for its customers through 'Cash@POS' initiative?

- a) United Bank of India
- b) Bank of India
- c) Bank of Baroda
- d) State Bank of India
- e) Canara Bank

Q.63) Which state govt has been one of the biggest beneficiaries under the Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF) of NABARD, during 2017-18 with an extended total credit support of Rs 14,690 crore?

- a) Telangana
- b) Andhra Pradesh
- c) Rajasthan
- d) Maharashtra
- e) Mizoram

Q.64) Markets Regulator Securities & Exchange Board of India (SEBI) decided to double the investment limit by angel funds in venture capital undertakings to _____ from the current Rs.5 crore.

- a) Rs.8 crore
- b) Rs.12 crore
- c) Rs.11 crore
- d) Rs.10 crore
- e) Rs.7.5 crore

Q.65) Federation of Indian Export Organisations is a trade promotion organisation in India, jointly established in 1965 by the Ministry of Commerce of the Government of India and private trade and industry. Its headquarters is located in _____.

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

Q.66) Headquarters of Kotak Mahindra Bank is located in _____.

- a) Bangalore, Karnataka
- b) Hyderabad, Telangana
- c) New Delhi, India
- d) Mumbai, Maharashtra
- e) Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Q.67) Which of the following bank had not signed for Information Utility (IU) with National e-Governance Services Limited (NeSL) , recently?

- a) Punjab National Bank
- b) State Bank of India
- c) Bank of India
- d) NABARD
- e) Bank of Baroda

Q.68) Tripura is the first state in the North East to implement the state component of PMKVY through Directorate of Skill Development (DSD) . Expand the term PMKVY.

- a) Pradhan Mantri Karma Vikas Yojna (PMKVY)
- b) Pradhan Mantri Kovind Vikas Yojna (PMKVY)
- c) Pradhan Mantri Kalyan Vikas Yojna (PMKVY)
- d) Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojna (PMKVY)
- e) Pradhan Mantri Karib Vikas Yojna (PMKVY)

Q.69) Recently FSSAI has launched which initiative that aimed at shifting the school assembly time to noon to ensure maximum absorption of Vitamin D in students through natural sunlight?

- a) 'Project Dhoop'
- b) 'Project Dharsan'
- c) 'Project Dvita'
- d) 'Project Dharn'
- e) 'Project VitaD'

Q.70) IRDAI was established as sole authority (statutory body) to regulate the insurance industry in India. Headquarters of IRDAI is located in _____.

- a) Bangalore, Karnataka
- b) Hyderabad, Telangana
- c) New Delhi, India
- d) Mumbai, Maharashtra
- e) Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Q.71) SEBI had launched which online centralized grievance redress system to enable investors to lodge and follow up their complaints and track the status?

- a) SAFETY
- b) SWAGAT
- c) SCORES
- d) SECURE
- e) SOLVE

Q.72) PFRDA is the regulatory body for all the pension funds in India. In the term PFRDA, "D" stands for _____.

- a) Debit
- b) Development
- c) Draft
- d) Depositary
- e) Department

Q.73) Which of the following statement is true about the pillars of Basel-III Norms?

- a) Minimum Capital Requirement
- b) Supervisory Review Process
- c) Market Discipline
- d) All are true
- e) Both b and c

Q.74) Who can issue Certificate of Deposit to raise short-term resources within the umbrella limit fixed by RBI?

- a) Scheduled commercial banks
- b) All-India Financial Institutions
- c) Regional Rural Banks
- d) Both a and b
- e) Both b and c

Q.75) _____ is an interest rate used by banks, usually the interest rate at which banks lend to favoured customers i.e., those with good credit.

- a) Policy Rate
- b) Marginal Cost of funds based Lending rate
- c) Prime Lending Rate
- d) Bank Rate
- e) Saving Deposit Rate

Q.76) "Finnacle" is the universal banking solution to the banks. It is developed by which company?

- a) TCS
- b) Wipro
- c) Infosys
- d) Microsoft
- e) IBM

Q.77) Banking Ombudsman is appointed by whom?

- a) Reserve Bank of India

b) SEBI c) SIDBI
d) Individual Banks e) IRDAI

Q.78) _____ is refers to a request by the RBI to the commercial banks to take certain measures as per the trend of the economy

a) Letter of Credit
b) Balance of Payment
c) Asset Liability Management
d) Credit Ceiling e) Moral Suasion

Q.79) IRBI was established in 1985 to provide the credit facilities to the small & medium sectors. In the term IRBI, second "I" stands for _____.
a) Industrial b) India
c) Investment d) Infrastructure
e) Industry

Q.80) _____ is a negotiable money market instrument and issued in dematerialised form or as a Usance Promissory Note against funds deposited at a bank or other eligible financial institution for a specified time period.

a) Certificate of Deposit
b) Commercial Paper
c) Treasury Bills
d) Repurchase Agreement
e) Participatory Note

Q.81) NEER is an unadjusted weighted average rate at which one country's currency exchanges for a basket of multiple foreign currencies. Expand the term NEER.

a) Non Effective Exchange Rate
b) Nominal Effective Exchange Rate
c) Nominal Exchange Effective Rate
d) Net Effective Exchange Rate
e) Normal Effective Exchange Rate

Q.82) The Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM) is one of the apex trade associations of India. Its headquarters is located in _____.
a) New Delhi, India
b) Bangalore, Karnataka
c) Hyderabad, Telangana
d) Mumbai, Maharashtra
e) Jaipur, Rajasthan

Q.83) AMFI is an industry standards organisation to develop the mutual funds market in India, by improving ethical and professional standards. Expand AMFI.
a) Assembly of Mutual Funds in India
b) Adverse of Mutual Funds in India
c) Associate of Mutual Funds in India
d) Asset of Mutual Funds in India
e) Association of Mutual Funds in India

Q.84) _____ is the record of all economic transactions between the residents of the country and of the world in a particular period.

a) Appreciation
b) Balance of Payments
c) Gross Domestic Product
d) Gross National Product
e) Repurchase Agreement

Q.85) BCBS is a committee of banking supervisory authorities that was established by

the central bank governors of the Group of Ten countries in 1974. Expand BCBS.

a) Basel Collection on Banking Supervision
b) Basel Controlling on Banking Supervision
c) Banking Committee on Basel Supervision
d) Basel Committee on Banking Supervision
e) Basel Commerce on Banking Supervision

Q.86) The DTAA is a tax treaty signed between India and another country (or any two/multiple countries) so that taxpayers can avoid paying double taxes on their income earned from the source country as well as the residence country. Expand DTAA.

a) Double Taxation Avoiding Agreement
b) Double Taxation Agreement Avoidance
c) Double Taxation Avoid Agreement
d) Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement
e) Di Taxation Avoidance Agreement

Q.87) EFSF is a special purpose vehicle financed by members of the eurozone to address the European sovereign-debt crisis. Expand EFSF.

a) European Finacle Stability Facility
b) European Fiscal Stability Facility
c) European Finance Stability Facility
d) Europe Financial Stability Facility
e) European Financial Stability Facility

Q.88) _____ is a bank certificate issued in more than one country for shares in a foreign company.

a) Gross Depositary Receipt
b) Gross Fiscal Deficit
c) Global Depositary Receipt
d) Free Trade Agreement
e) Foreign Depositary Receipt

Q.89) The MIBID rate is used as a bench mark rate for majority of deals struck for Interest Rate Swaps, Forward Rate Agreements, Floating Rate Debentures and Term Deposits. Expand MIBID

a) Mumbai Intra-bid Bank Rate
b) Mumbai Inter-bid Bank Rate
c) Mobile Inter-bank Bid Rate
d) Mumbai Inter-bank Bid Rate
e) Mumbai Intra-bank Bid Rate

Q.90) Under SDR, banks who have given loans to a corporate borrower gets the right to convert the full or part of their loans into equity shares in the loan taken company. Expand SDR.

a) Stable Debt Restructuring
b) Start-up Debt Restructuring
c) Strategy Debt Restructuring
d) Strategic Debit Restructuring
e) Strategic Debt Restructuring

Q.91) The objective of the CDR framework is to ensure a timely and transparent mechanism for restructuring of the corporate debts of viable corporate entities affected by internal or external factors. In CDR, "C" stands for _____.
a) Capital b) Central
c) Corporate d) Cost
e) Credit

Q.92) The Institute for Development & Research in Banking Technology (IDRBT) is a unique

institution exclusively focused on Banking Technology. It is located in _____.
a) Chennai, Tamil Nadu
b) Mumbai, Maharashtra
c) Hyderabad, Telangana
d) Bangalore, Karnataka
e) New Delhi, India

Q.93) IBA has introduced a SPNS named the "Swadhan" ATM network can avail of the facility at any of the ATMs of any of the member Banks in the city. Expand the term SPNS.

a) Security Payment Network System
b) Selected Payment Network System
c) Sharing Payment Network System
d) Stock Payment Network System
e) Shared Payment Network System

Q.94) FRBMA is an Act of the Parliament of India to institutionalize financial discipline, reduce India's fiscal deficit, improve macroeconomic management and the overall management of the public funds by moving towards a balanced budget and strengthen fiscal prudence. FRBM stands for:

a) Fiscal Revenue and Budget Management Act, 2003
b) Fiscal Response and Budget Management Act, 2003
c) Fiscal Reforms and Budget Management Act, 2003
d) Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Movement Act, 2003
e) Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act, 2003

Q.95) The Gandhi Series of banknotes are issued by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) as the legal tender of Indian rupee. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) introduced this series in which year?

a) 1991 b) 1995
c) 1996 d) 2000
e) 1993

Q.96) Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation (DICGC) is a subsidiary of Reserve Bank of India. It was established on _____.
a) 15 July 1978 b) 15 July 1988
c) 15 July 1958 d) 15 July 1965
e) 15 July 1975

Q.97) Tagline of Dena Bank is _____.
a) Good people to bank with
b) India's International Bank
c) Trusted Family Bank
d) Together We Can
e) Good People to growth with

Q.98) The SARFAESI Act 2002 which empowers Banks or Financial Institutions to recover their non-performing assets (bad loans) without the intervention of the Court. In "SARFAESI" second "A" stands for _____.
a) Annual b) Account
c) Automated d) Association
e) Assets

Q.99) Banking Ombudsman scheme was first introduced in India in which year?
a) 1995 b) 1996
c) 2006 d) 2001
e) 2002

Q.100) Headquarters of Asian Development Bank is located in _____.
a) Beijing, China
b) Vienna, Austria
c) Geneva, Switzerland
d) Mandaluyong, Philippines
e) Washington D.C, USA

Q.101) Unclaimed Deposit defined under which act of Banking Regulation act of 1949?
a) Section 26(A) b) Section 25(A)
c) Section 24(A) d) Section 22(A)
e) Section 23(A)

Q.102) Under which act, persons resident in India are eligible to invest in SGB. Eligible investors include individuals, HUFs, trusts, universities, charitable institutions, etc?
a) Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1998
b) Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1996
c) Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1997
d) Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999
e) Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1990

Q.103) Under Sukanya Samridhi Account, what is the maximum amount of _____ deposit financial year.
a) Rs.1 Lakh b) Rs.1.5 Lakh
c) Rs.50,000 d) Rs.30,000
e) Rs. 25,000

Q.104) In Senior Citizen Savings Scheme (SCSS) Account, an individual at the age of 60 years or more may open the account in post office. Maturity Period of that account is _____.
a) 4 Years b) 10 Years
c) 11 Years d) 5 Years
e) 6 Years

Q.105) The amount invested in Kisan Vikas Patra can be withdrawn after how many months?
a) 115 months b) 112 months
c) 113 months d) 114 months
e) 118 months

Q.106) What is the minimum deposit allowed in Public Provident Fund Account in a financial year?
a) Rs.1000 b) Rs.500
c) Rs.5000 d) No such limit
e) Rs.10,000

Q.107) Name the account which are generally held by a 3rd party bank, other than the account maintaining bank or with whom account is maintained.
a) VOSTRO Account b) NOSTRO Account
c) LORO Account d) FCNR Account
e) None of these

Q.108) What is the maximum deposit under National Savings Certificates (NSC) ?
a) Rs.1,00,000 b) Rs.1,50,000
c) Rs.2,00,000 d) No such limit
e) None of these

Q.109) State Bank of India installed a _____ ATM that can be accessed only by women customers in Jamshedpur.
a) White Label ATM b) Brown Label ATM
c) Pink Label ATM d) On-site ATM
e) Off-site ATM

Q.110) What is the Loan Limit of "Kishor" under the Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana?
a) Rs.50,000 b) Rs.1,00,000
c) Rs.2,00,000 d) Rs.5,00,000
e) Rs.2,50,000

Q.111) Micro Units Development and Refinance Agency Bank (or MUDRA Bank) is a public sector financial institution in India to provide loans at low rates to micro-finance institutions and non-banking financial institutions. Its headquarters is located in _____.
a) Chennai b) New Delhi
c) Kolkata d) Mumbai
e) Hyderabad

Q.112) Credit Analysis & Research Ltd) (CARE) is the second-largest credit rating agency in India its headquarters is located in _____.
a) Delhi b) Mumbai
c) Kolkata d) Chennai
e) None of these

Q.113) Moody's is one of the International Credit Rating Agency which provides international financial research on bonds issued by commercial and government entities. Its head quarter located in _____.
a) New York b) London
c) Tokyo d) Melbourne
e) Geneva

Q.114) DRT have been established by the Government of India under an Act of Parliament (Act 51 of 1993) for expeditious adjudication and recovery of debts due to banks and financial institutions. DRT stands for _____.
a) Debit Ready Tribunal
b) Debt Recovery Tribunal
c) Debt Recovery Transform
d) Detect Recovery Tribunal
e) Debt Redressal Tribunal

Q.115) _____ help banks to improve their balance sheet by buying their Non- Performing Asset and releasing funds to these seller banks.
a) Asset Reconstruction Corporation
b) Asset Recover Company
c) Asset Recovering Company
d) Asset Reconstruction Company
e) Asset Recovering Corporation

Q.116) SWAYAM is an initiative to provide 32 high quality educational channels through DTH (Direct to Home) across the length and breadth of the country on 24X7 basis. This initiative was launched by which Ministry?
a) Ministry of Corporate Affairs
b) Ministry of Human Resource Development
c) Ministry of Economic Affairs
d) Ministry of Home Affairs
e) Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

Q.117) Name the ATM which is owned by a service provider, but cash management and connectivity to banking networks is provided by a sponsor bank whose brand is used on the ATM?
a) White Label ATM b) Brown Label ATM
c) Pink Label ATM d) On-site ATM
e) Off-site ATM

Q.118) 122nd Constitutional Amendment Bill was unanimously adopted by the cabinet. It is related to -
a) Reduce age for voting rights from 21 to 18
b) Constitutional status to National Commission on Backward classes
c) Established national judicial appointment commission
d) Goods and Services Tax
e) Provisions for setting up Rent Control Tribunals

Q.119) The first regional office of the BRICS New Development Bank had been set up in which place?
a) New Delhi, India
b) Johannesburg, South Africa
c) Beijing, China
d) Fortaleza, Brazil
e) Moscow, Russia

Q.120) Which of the following is not true about Bharat Interface for Money (BHIM) app?
a) BHIM is a digital payments solution app, for easy and quick transactions, based on the Unified Payments Interface (UPI) from the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) .
b) Money can also be sent to non-UPI supported banks using IFSC code and account number.
c) BHIM allows daily transaction limit of Rs.40,000.
d) There is no charge for transactions from Rs.1 to Rs.1 lakh
e) All are True

Q.121) In NEFT transaction what is the maximum limit of amount for Indo -Nepal Remittance?
a) Rs.30,000 b) Rs.20,000
c) Rs.2,50,000 d) Rs.50,000
e) Rs.3,50,000

Q.122) How much is the share of India among the shareholders of BRICS New Development Bank?
a) 15% b) 12%
c) 20% d) 18%
e) 10%

Q.123) 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.124) Among the following who is not authorized agencies selling the SGBs (Sovereign Gold Bond Schemes) ?
a) Insurance Companies
b) Banking Sector

c) Stock Exchanges
d) Designated post offices
e) None of the these

Q.125) As per the RBI, the maximum value of any pre-paid payment instrument should not exceed _____.

a) Rs.2,00,000 b) Rs.5,00,000
c) Rs.10,00,000 d) Rs.50,000
e) Rs.1,00,000

Q.126) What type of instruments can be presented for clearing through CTS for faster realisation?

a) CTS-2009 standards
b) CTS-2011 standards
c) CTS-2000 standards
d) CTS-2010 standards
e) CTS-2013 standards

Q.127) Mortgage and its various types comes under which act?

a) Section 55 of Transfer of Property Act 1882
b) Section 58 of Transfer of Property Act 1882
c) Section 52 of Transfer of Property Act 1882
d) Section 58 of Transfer of Property Act 1892
e) Section 24 of Transfer of Property Act 1882

Q.128) DEAF fund (Depositor Education and Awareness Fund) associated with which act?

a) Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881
b) Contingency Fund of India Act, 1950
c) Chartered Accountants Act, 1949
d) Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934
e) Banking Regulation Act, 1949

Q.129) What is the Annual Premium amount under PMJJBY (Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana) ?

a) Rs.500 b) Rs.12
c) Rs.300 d) Rs.330
e) Rs.110

Q.130) How much amount can be withdrawn and transfer limit in BSDBA?

a) Rs.20,000 in a month
b) Rs.50,000 in a month
c) Rs.5,000 in a month
d) Rs.15,000 in a month
e) Rs.10,000 in a month

Q.131) How many times demonetization occurred in India Since 1935?

a) 6 times (1946, 1956, 1968, 1978, 1988 and 2016)
b) 5 times (1946, 1956, 1968, 1978, and 2016)
c) 2 times (1946 and 2016)
d) 3 times (1946, 1978 and 2016)
e) 4 times (1946, 1968, 1978, and 2016)

Q.132) What would be the benefits under the PMJJBY (Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana) scheme and premium payable?

a) Rs.5 lakh is payable on a subscriber's death due to any cause. The premium payable is Rs.330/- per annum per subscriber.
b) Rs.2 lakh is payable on a subscriber's death due to any cause. The premium payable is Rs.330/- per annum per subscriber.

c) Rs.2.5 lakh is payable on a subscriber's death due to any cause. The premium payable is Rs.120/- per annum per subscriber.
d) Rs.2.75 lakh is payable on a subscriber's death due to any cause. The premium payable is Rs.330/- per annum per subscriber.
e) Rs.2 lakh is payable on a subscriber's death due to any cause. The premium payable is Rs.12/- per annum per subscriber.

Q.133) First Four digit of IFSC need to identify of _____.

a) Bank Branch b) City Code
c) Bank Code d) Either b or c
e) None of these

Q.134) Which of the following organisation is an umbrella organization for all retail payments system in India?

a) SEBI b) RBI
c) NPCI d) NBFC
e) IFCI

Q.135) As per the RBI, what is the minimum paid up capital of small finance banks to start the business?

a) Rs.150 crores b) Rs.500 crores
c) Rs.250 crores d) Rs.100 crores
e) Rs.600 crores

Q.136) Which is the first private sector bank in India to issue gold coins?

a) Yes Bank b) Federal Bank
c) Axis Bank d) ICICI Bank
e) HDFC Bank

Q.137) Current and saving accounts that don't operate for a period more than 2 year are called _____.

a) Inactive Account b) Dormant Account
c) Escrow Account d) Demat Account
e) None of these

Q.138) EFPOS is an electronic payment system involving electronic funds transfers based on the use of payment cards, such as debit or credit cards, at payment terminals. What does "S" in EFPOS stand for?

a) Sale b) Security
c) System d) Server
e) Solution

Q.139) First branch of India Post Payment Bank was inaugurated on 30 January 2017 at _____ and _____.

a) Raipur and Mumbai b) Mumbai and Jaipur
c) Raipur and Gandhinagar
d) Raipur and Ranchi e) Mumbai and Ranchi

Q.140) Allocation for Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) for the period of 2016-2020?

a) Rs.24,000 cr b) Rs.12,000 cr
c) Rs.10,000 cr d) Rs.20,000 cr
e) Rs.15,000 cr

Q.141) Name the Jalandhar based bank that became the first financial entity in India to get Small Financial Bank Licence from the Reserve Bank of India.

a) AU Small Finance Bank

b) Capital Local Area Bank Limited
c) Ujjivan Small Finance Bank Limited
d) Equitas Small Finance Bank
e) Utkarsh Small Finance Bank

Q.142) The Banking Codes and Standards Board of India (BCSBI) is an independent and autonomous institution to monitor and ensure that the Banking Codes and Standards adopted by the banks are adhered to in true spirit while delivering their services. BCSBI was registered under which of the following act?

a) Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881
b) Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934
c) Societies Registration Act, 1860
d) Companies Act, 2013
e) Banking Regulation Act, 1949

Q.143) _____ is the risk of a change in value caused by the fact that actual losses, incurred for inadequate or failed internal processes, people and systems, or from external events, differ from the expected losses.

a) Credit Risk b) Liquidity Risk
c) Economy Risk d) Operational Risk
e) Market Risk

Q.144) 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.145) Cheque truncation is the conversion of a physical cheque into a substitute electronic form for transmission to the paying bank. Cheque truncation and electronic cheque come under which act?

a) Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934
b) Banking Regulation Act, 1949
c) Companies Act, 2013
d) Societies Registration Act, 1860
e) Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881

Q.146) The term "hyper-inflation" means?

a) It occur when the economy is growing faster than the long run trend rate of growth.
b) This occurs when there is an increase in the cost of production for firms causing aggregate supply
c) An inflationary situation where the external forces are the primary contributing factors
d) A situation where the cost of living index is rising alarmingly
e) It occurs when a country experiences very high and usually accelerating rates of inflation, rapidly eroding the real value of the local currency, and causing the population to minimize their holdings of local money.

Q.147) The term "Balance of Trade" means?

a) A point where the values of imports and exports are equal
b) The difference between the value of the imports and exports of a country

c) The term is used with reference to bilateral trade agreements with countries of CIS Block

d) The difference between the total of transactions with foreign countries in trade, services and capital

e) None of these

Q.148) _____ is a monetary measure of the market value of all final goods and services produced in a period (quarterly or yearly) of time.

a) Gross Domestic Resources

b) Gross Domestic Product

c) Net wealth of the country

d) Market Capitalization

e) None of these

Q.149) Who is the MD & CEO of Fino Payment Bank?

a) Raman Gupta b) Anuj Gupta

c) Ajay Gupta d) Krish Gupta

e) Rishi Gupta

Q.150) Which of the following bank has launched "Agenda 25x25", which pledges to create a synergetic start up environment for budding women entrepreneurs in India?

a) YES Bank b) Axis Bank

c) HDFC Bank d) ICICI Bank

e) Royal Bank of Scotland

Q.151) Which International organisation has launched 'REPLACE' a comprehensive plan to eliminate industrially-produced artificial trans fats from the global food supply by 2023, recently?

a) World Food Programme

b) World Health Organisation

c) UNICEF

d) Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

e) UNESCO

Q.152) As per the HSBC report, inflation is set to rise further towards the second half of the fiscal, and could average of how much percent for financial year 2018-19?

a) 5.4 per cent b) 5.5 per cent

c) 5.3 per cent d) 5.1 per cent

e) 5.2 per cent

Q.153) Which of the following has become the first Indian exchange to be designated as a 'Designated Offshore Securities Market' (DOSM) by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) , recently?

a) Multi Commodity Exchange of India Ltd

b) Madras Stock Exchange

c) Bombay Stock Exchange

d) National Stock Exchange

e) OTC Exchange Of India

Q.154) What is the minimum capital that the parent bank will be required to provide and maintain at all times to its International Financial Services Centres (IFSC) Banking Units (IBUs) by banks in IFSCs, as per the RBI norms?

a) USD 30 million b) USD 20 million

c) USD 50 million d) USD 10 million

e) USD 25 million

Q.155) _____ is the market value of all the goods and services produced in one year by labor and property supplied by the citizens of a country.

a) Gross National Income

b) Marginal Asset Ratio

c) Net Asset Ratio

d) Gross National Product

e) Gross Domestic Product

Q.156) The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has issued final guidelines on so-called NSFR has mandated of at least 100%, to ensure banks have sufficient stable sources of funding to finance their activities over the long term. Expand NSFR

a) Net Supply Funding Ratio

b) Net Stand Funding Ratio

c) Net Static Funding Ratio

d) Net Source Funding Ratio

e) Net Stable Funding Ratio

Q.157) According to the World Economic Situation and Prospects (WESP) as of mid-2018, India's economy is projected to grow how much percent in the fiscal year 2018-19?

a) 7.1 per cent b) 7.2 per cent

c) 7.4 per cent d) 7.5 per cent

e) 7.6 per cent

Q.158) Under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana, how much crore has been approved for period of 5 years (2015-16 to 2019-20) by the union cabinet?

a) Rs. 20,000 crore b) Rs. 40,000 crore

c) Rs. 50,000 crore d) Rs. 30,000 crore

e) Rs. 80,000 crore

Q.159) What is the main objective of Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana?

a) Contribution based pension system

b) Correcting the imbalances in the availability of affordable healthcare facilities in the different parts of the country.

c) Provides financial assistance to rural poor for constructing their houses themselves

d) One-time cash incentive to pregnant women for institutional/home births through skilled assistance

e) Scholarships for top Science students, Fellowships for pursuing PhD, Research Grants to researchers

Q.160) What is the main objective of Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP) ?

a) To eliminate child labour in hazardous industries by 2010.

b) To help job-seekers land up at the job they deserve.

c) To provide the institutional capacity to train a minimum 40 crore skilled people by 2022

d) To provide free LPG connections to women from below poverty line families.

e) To provide generic drugs, which are available at lesser prices but are equivalent in quality and efficacy as expensive branded drugs.

Q.161) Who is not the Deputy Governor of Reserve Bank of India?

a) B.P. Kanungo b) Dr. Nachiket M. Mor

c) N. S. Vishwanathan

d) Dr. Viral V. Acharya e) None of these

Q.162) What is the tagline for Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana?

a) More Grain per Drop

b) More Farm per Drop

c) More Crop per Drop

d) More Drop per Crop

e) More Cereals per Drop

Q.163) Which of the following ratio has been proposed within Basel III, seeks to calculate the proportion of Available Stable Funding ("ASF") via the liabilities over Required Stable Funding ("RSF") for the assets?

a) Net Asset Ratio

b) Statutory Ratio

c) Net Stable Funding Ratio

d) Liquidity Coverage Ratio

e) Leverage Ratio

Q.164) Which of the following is the dimension of 2000 rupee note, released by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on 8 November 2016 after the demonetization?

a) 66 × 166 mm b) 66 × 150 mm

c) 157 × 73 mm d) 123 × 63 mm

e) 147 × 73 mm

Q.165) Similar to a Bank Account wherein actual money is being replaced by shares is called as _____.

a) Capital market Account

b) Demat Account c) Stock Account

d) Forex Account e) Dormant Account

Q.166) A Business arrangement in which two or more parties agree to pool their resources for the purpose of accomplishing a specific task is called _____.

a) Mutual partner b) Sharing Partnership

c) Joint Venture d) Preference share

e) Joint Share

Q.167) Payment bank issues the services like ATM card, Debit card, Net banking and Mobile banking except

a) Credit cards b) Term Deposit

c) NRI account d) Loans

e) All the above

Q.168) How many months validity for the payment bank to grant in-principle approved by the RBI. During this time the applicants have to comply with the requirements under the Guidelines and fulfil the other conditions?

a) 20 months b) 22 months

c) 18 months d) 36 months

e) 16 months

Q.169) Name the type of PPIs that shall be only issued by banks, can be used for purchase of goods and services, including financial services, remittance facilities etc. at any merchant locations.

a) Closed System Prepaid Payment Instruments

b) Semi-Closed System Prepaid Payment Instruments

c) Open System Prepaid Payment Instruments
d) Both a and b
e) None of these

Q.170) Interest on savings bank account is now calculated by banks on _____.
a) Daily Basis b) Quarterly Basis
c) Half-yearly Basis d) Monthly Basis
e) Yearly Basis

Q.171) IFRS are the standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) to provide a common global language for business affairs so that company accounts are understandable and comparable across international boundaries. Expand IFRS.
a) International Functional Reporting Standards
b) International Finance Reporting Standards
c) International Financial Register Standards
d) International Financial Required Standards
e) International Financial Reporting Standards

Q.172) _____ is a short-term loan used until a person or company secures permanent financing or removes an existing obligation.
a) Close-ended Loan b) Open-ended Loan
c) Bridge Loan d) Personal Loan
e) Conventional Loan

Q.173) STRIPS is the process of separating a standard coupon-bearing bond into its individual coupon and principal components. In the term STRIPS, second "S" stands for _____.
a) Service b) Securities
c) System d) Schedule
e) Standard

Q.174) What is the maximum deposit amount insured by DICGC?
a) Rs.1,75,000 per depositor per bank
b) Rs.2,50,000 per depositor per bank
c) Rs.2,00,000 per depositor per bank
d) Rs.1,50,000 per depositor per bank
e) Rs.1,00,000 per depositor per bank

Q.175) By increasing repo rate, the economy may observe _____.
a) Rate of Interest on loans and advances will be cheap
b) Rate of Interest on deposits and advances will be costly
c) Rate of Interest on loans and advances will be costly
d) Rate of Interest on deposits and advances will be cheap
e) None of these

Q.176) A Reverse Mortgage Scheme was launched to give benefit for whom?
a) Senior Citizens
b) Unemployed Persons
c) Below Poverty Line
d) Students
e) Women's self-help group

Q.177) Which of the following bank has signed an agreement with CDSL Commodity Repository (CCRL) , thus becoming the first public sector bank to become the repository participant for

pledge finance under the repository ecosystem for registered / accredited warehouses, recently?
a) Bank of Maharashtra
b) Bank of Baroda
c) Bank of India
d) State Bank of India
e) Canara Bank

Q.178) Rating agency ICRA Ltd expects Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth in India for the fourth quarter of the fiscal 2017-18 at what percent on account of good rabi crop harvest and improved corporate earnings?
a) 7.6% b) 7.5%
c) 7.4% d) 7.3%
e) 7.1%

Q.179) The government's Bank Note Paper Mill India (BNPM) has received green signal from environment ministry to increase the production of bank note paper at its Mysuru unit in Karnataka from 12,000 tonnes per annum (TPA) to _____.
a) 15,000 TPA b) 14,000 TPA
c) 16,000 TPA d) 20,000 TPA
e) 18,000 TPA

Q.180) The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a penalty of how many crore on South Indian Bank (SIB) for non-compliance with its directions on Income Recognition and Asset Classification (IRAC) norms, Know Your Customer (KYC) norms and treasury function.
a) Rs.1 crore b) Rs.2 crore
c) Rs.3 crore d) Rs.5 crore
e) Rs.4 crore

Q.181) The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has sanctioned LED Solar Street Lighting system with a total grant of Rs 87.83 lakh for which state under its Rural Infrastructure Development Fund, recently?
a) Andhra Pradesh b) Arunachal Pradesh
c) Maharashtra d) Bihar
e) Telangana

Q.182) The Reserve Bank has specified certain regulatory trigger points, as a part of Prompt Corrective Action (PCA) Framework, in terms of certain parameters, they are
a) Capital to Risk weighted Assets Ratio (CRAR)
b) Non-Performing Assets (NPA)
c) Return on Assets (RoA)
d) All of the above
e) None of these

Q.183) Who is the head of a Steering Committee on Fintech related issues to enhance financial inclusion of MSMEs?
a) Subhash Chandra Garg
b) Arun Jaitely
c) Arvind Subramanian
d) Piyush Goyal e) Jitendra Singh

Q.184) Who is the present Chairman of FICCI (Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry) ?
a) Sangita Reddy b) Pankaj R Patel
c) Rashesh Shah d) Sandip Somany

e) Uday Kotak

Q.185) BNPM (Bank Note Paper Mill India is a joint venture of Bharatiya Reserve Bank Note Mudran (BRBNMPL) and _____.
a) Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)
b) Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI)
c) Security Printing and Minting Corporation of India (SPMCIL)
d) Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
e) Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)

Q.186) Which Bank has launched instant overdraft 'InstaOD' facility for MSME (Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises) customers in a completely online and paperless manner?
a) Punjab National Bank b) ICICI Bank
c) State Bank of India d) HDFC Bank
e) Bank of Baroda

Q.187) As many as 56 unserved airports and 31 unserved helipads will be connected under the government's regional air connectivity scheme "UDAN". UDAN stands for-
a) Utho Desh ka Aam Nagrik
b) Ude Dono ka Aam Nagrik
c) Ude Desh ka Aam Nagrik
d) Ude Desh ka Aam Nation
e) Ude Desh ka Agency Nagrik

Q.188) REER is the weighted average of a country's currency relative to an index or basket of other major currencies, adjusted for the effects of inflation. What is the meaning of first "R" in REER?
a) Random b) Rate
c) Ratio d) Real
e) Rest

Q.189) Which of the following system is a secure messaging standard developed to serve as a platform for intra-bank and inter-bank applications?
a) IDRBT b) CFMS
c) SWIFT d) SFMS
e) EFT

Q.190) 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.191) Who is the current MD and CEO of CERSAI?
a) Mahesh Kumar Jain
b) Mohammad Mustafa
c) Ajay Tyagi
d) Naina Lal Kidwai
e) Praveen Kumar Sharma

Q.192) NCLT is a quasi-judicial body in India that adjudicates issues relating to companies in India. NCLT stands for-
a) National Company Law Tribunal
b) National Company Law Trend

- c) National Common Law Tribunal
d) National Company Law Transaction
e) National Company Law Treaty
- Q.193) 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 2003 b) 1st October 2004
c) 1st October 2007 d) 1st October 2012
e) 1st October 2015
- Q.194) Who is the present Chairman of IndusInd Bank?
- a) Renu Satti b) Gopal Chandra
c) R Seshasayee
d) Vijay Shekhar Sharma e) Vinod Rai
- Q.195) Headquarters of CERSAI (Central Registry of Securitization Asset Reconstruction and Security Interest) is located in _____.
- a) Hyderabad b) Nagpur
c) Kolkata d) Mumbai
e) New Delhi
- Q.196) According to the RBI, PCA framework is applicable only to _____.
- a) Co-operative Banks
b) Non-Banking Financial Companies
c) Financial Management Institutions
d) Commercial banks
e) All of these
- Q.197) As per the RBI, Non-Performing Assets is a loan or an advance where interest and/or installment of principal remain overdue for a period of more than _____ days in respect of a term loan.
- a) 100 days b) 30 days
c) 90 days d) 60 days
e) 120 days
- Q.198) Micro Units Development and Refinance Agency Bank (MUDRA Bank) is a Non-Banking Finance Company as MUDRA Ltd has been set up as under a subsidiary of _____.
- a) SIDBI b) IDBI
c) RBI d) NABARD
e) SBI
- Q.199) Legal Entity Identifier India Limited (LEI India) Limited is wholly owned subsidiary of _____, which has been recognized by the Reserve Bank as issuer of LEI under the Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2007.
- a) Clearing Corporation of India Limited
b) Bharatiya Reserve Bank Note Mudran Private Limited
c) Small Industries Development Bank of India
d) Securities and Exchange Board of India
e) Reserve Bank of India
- Q.200) PACS is a basic and the smallest co-operative credit institution in India. The full form of PACS is _____.
- a) Primary Agricultural Credit Sector
b) Primary Agricultural Credit Service
c) Primary Agricultural Credit Society
d) Primary Agricultural Credit Scheme
e) Primary Agricultural Credit System

SIMPLIFICATION

- Q.1) 20% of 240+54% of 20-20% of 360= (?) - 15
- a) 1.8 b) 2.4 c) 5.6
d) 2.8 e) 1.2
- Q.2) $\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{6}{7} \times \frac{15}{19} \times (?) = 96$
- a) 234 b) 254 c) 266
d) 276 e) 289
- Q.3) $\frac{4}{7} \times \frac{6}{11} \times \frac{14}{15} \times \frac{33}{72} \times 120 = (?)$
- a) 15 b) 18 c) 21
d) 16 e) 12
- Q. 4) What value should come in place of the question mark (?) in the given question.
- $\frac{84 \times 456}{2 \times \sqrt[3]{1296}} = (?)^3 + \sqrt{\frac{50 \times 288}{36}}$
- a) 7 b) 9 c) 11
d) 6 e) None of these
- Q.5) 15% of 34600+ 27% of 11500+ 32% of 46600= (?)
- a) 23207 b) 24208 c) 15208
d) 23407 e) 23702
- Q.6) 23% of 26300+ 13% of 29000 =18% of (?)
- a) 56450 b) 55540 c) 56250
d) 55450 e) 54550
- Q.7) $\frac{221 \times 779}{13 \times 19} + 3 = 7 \times (?)$
- a) 43 b) 97 c) 100
d) 102 e) 104
- Q.8) $2.321 + 5.212 + 16.563 + 0.904 = (?)^2$
- a) 30 b) 25 c) 6
d) 5 e) 4
- Q.9) $13 \times 3 + 1^{700} + 2^{697-699+4} = \left\{ \frac{180}{12} - (12 \times 3 - 20 - 3) \right\} \times (?)$
- a) 22 b) 32 c) 44
d) 72 e) 91
- Q.10) 45+20% of 800+200= x
- a) 425 b) 405 c) 395
d) 410 e) 450
- Q.11) $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{8} = x - \frac{1}{16}$
- a) 1 b) 2 c) $\frac{15}{16}$
d) $\frac{14}{16}$ e) $\frac{17}{16}$
- Q.12) 400+150+200+300 = x- 1200
- a) 2150 b) 2250 c) 2500
d) 2400 e) 2000
- Q.13) $\sqrt{17 \times 13 + 29 + 150} = x$
- a) 21 b) 19 c) 22
d) 18 e) 20
- Q.14) 15% of 200 + 20% of 400 - 35% of 200 = x
- a) 80 b) 70 c) 10
d) 20 e) 40
- Q.15) 120% of 200 + 400 + $\sqrt{3600} = x$
- a) 500 b) 600 c) 700
d) 800 e) 1000
- Q.16) $240 \times 2 + 300 \times 4 + 150 \times 3 = x$
- a) 2240 b) 2430 c) 2230
d) 2130 e) 2530
- Q.17) 25% of 800+ 30% of 1000 = x+40% of 300
- a) 480 b) 360 c) 380
d) 350 e) 400

- Q.18) $1\frac{1}{3} + 2\frac{2}{9} - 3\frac{1}{6} + 4\frac{2}{9} = x$
- a) $3\frac{7}{18}$ b) $7\frac{11}{18}$ c) $6\frac{13}{18}$
d) $5\frac{1}{2}$ e) $4\frac{11}{18}$
- Q.19) 350 + 400+ 45% of 2000 = x+700
- a) 900 b) 950 c) 800
d) 750 e) 1000
- Q.20) $\frac{2}{7}$ of 1596 $\times 4 = \frac{1}{2}$ of ?
- a) 3217 b) 3648 c) 3898
d) 3649 e) 3684
- Q.21) $5376 \div 12 \div ? = 64$
- a) 21 b) 14 c) 49
d) 7 e) 3
- Q.22) $128 \times 15 \div 5 + 2^2 = ?$
- a) 388 b) 324 c) 389
d) 402 e) 412
- Q.23) $8\frac{1}{3} \times 2\frac{2}{5} \times ? = 12$
- a) $\frac{4}{5}$ b) $\frac{2}{3}$ c) $\frac{3}{5}$
d) $\frac{3}{7}$ e) $\frac{4}{7}$
- Q.24) $\sqrt{784} \times 3 - 80 \div 16 \times ? = 632$
- a) -141.6 b) 109.6 c) 116.9
d) -112.5 e) -109.6
- Q.25) $? = (22 \times 5) + (12 \times 10) - (4 \times 15)$
- a) 140 b) 170 c) 180
d) 165 e) 290
- Q.26) $? = 15\%$ of 120-22% of 150+11% of 200
- a) -4 b) 9 c) 11
d) 7 e) 37
- Q.27) $2^7 = 64 \div 32 \times 8 \div 16$
- a) 1 b) 2 c) 0
d) -1 e) None of these
- Q.28) $? = 2\frac{3}{5} + 1\frac{2}{5} + 3\frac{7}{10}$
- a) $7\frac{7}{10}$ b) $6\frac{7}{10}$ c) $7\frac{9}{10}$
d) $8\frac{1}{10}$ e) None of these
- Q.29) $? = \frac{\frac{1}{3} \times 88}{\frac{1}{3} \times 33} + (11 \times 2)$
- a) 22 b) 23 c) 28
d) 16 e) 26
- Q.30) $15 + ? = 12 + 434 - 182 + 46 - 35$
- a) 280 b) 255 c) 260
d) 275 e) None of these
- Q.31) $? = \frac{\sqrt{64 \times \sqrt{36}}}{\sqrt[3]{8}} \times \sqrt{16}$
- a) 48 b) 96 c) 84
d) 56 e) 78
- Q.32) $\frac{7}{2} = (2.5 \times 18) + \left(\frac{14}{\sqrt{4}} \right) - 3^2$
- a) 44 b) 52 c) 74
d) 86 e) 96
- Q.33) $? = 18\%$ of 350 + 15% of 180 + 12% of 50
- a) 82 b) 96 c) 74
d) 98 e) 72
- Q.34) $? = \frac{(23+4^2) \times (12-3^2)}{4^2 - (5 \times 3)}$
- a) 121 b) 119 c) 117
d) 115 e) None of these
- Q.35) $\frac{221 \times 2}{\sqrt{289}} = (?) \times (1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 3)$
- a) 8 b) 10 c) 6
d) 2 e) 12
- Q.36) 150% of 2000+10% of 21870= (?) + 2111
- a) 3012 b) 3016 c) 3076
d) 3011 e) 3009

Q.37) $1.987+2.9854+2.7654+38765+876+0.2622=$
(?)
a) 31245 b) 31256 c) 39649
d) 45793 e) 23454
Q.38) $(3 \times 3 - \sqrt{25}) \times (?) = (19.5 \times 22) + (14.5 \times 8) + (167.25 \times 4)$
a) 303.5 b) 203.5 c) 120
d) 300 e) 40
Q.39) $\sqrt{14400} \times 1.5 - \sqrt{14641} \times \frac{3}{11} = (?) + 9^2 - 1$
a) 77 b) 66 c) 65
d) 78 e) 67
Q.40) $2188 + 6374 - 637 + 2313 = ? - 321 + 1234$
a) 7325 b) 8788 c) 9325
d) 9725 e) 5677
Q.41) $28\% \text{ of } 250 + 12\% \text{ of } 200 - 34\% \text{ of } 550 = ?$
a) 81 b) 82 c) -87
d) 99 e) -93
Q.42) $13 \times 14 \times 15 \div 3 \times 4 \times 5 = ? \times 100$
a) 189 b) 177 c) 182
d) 191 e) 197
Q.43) $27 \div (9 \div 3) \times 11 + 234 - 412 = ? - 122$
a) -199 b) -201 c) 58
d) 198 e) 43
Q.44) $0.234 + 1.234 + 0.555 - 2.55 + 24 = ? + 0.473$
a) 27 b) 32 c) 34
d) 23 e) 26
Q.45) $\sqrt{529} + \sqrt{576} - \sqrt{361} \times 2 = ?$
a) 8 b) 9 c) 38
d) 27 e) 13
Q.46) $11\% \text{ of } 2300 + 15\% \text{ of } 440 \times \sqrt{196} = ? + 177$
a) 1134 b) 1210 c) 1354
d) 1000 e) 1177
Q.47) $\frac{34}{42} \times \frac{15}{17} \times \frac{21}{18} \times 84 = ?$
a) 89 b) 77 c) 85
d) 90 e) 70
Q.48) $2\frac{1}{4} + 5\frac{1}{7} - 1\frac{3}{8} + 2\frac{11}{14} = ?$
a) $8\frac{15}{56}$ b) $8\frac{45}{56}$ c) $7\frac{25}{58}$
d) $9\frac{14}{47}$ e) $8\frac{21}{38}$
Q.49) $2 \times 12 \times 22 \times 3 - 1212 = ?$
a) 327 b) 381 c) 314
d) 372 e) 311
Q.50) $55\% \text{ of } 980 \times 75\% \text{ of } 680 + 60\% \text{ of } 990 \div 60\% \text{ of } 90 = ? - \frac{5}{9} \text{ of } 162 \div \frac{5}{2} \text{ of } 36$
a) 274368 b) 274902 c) 274911
d) 274132 e) None of these
Q.51) $3\frac{2}{5} + 1\frac{4}{15} - 10\frac{5}{9} - 13^2 + 12^2 + \frac{1}{9} = ? + \frac{20}{45}$
a) -45 b) -39 c) -34
d) -31 e) None of these
Q.52) $\frac{(0.96+2.38)^3}{0.96^2+2.38^2+1.92 \times 2.38} = ? - 10.66 - 5.66 + 3.66$
a) 18 b) 15 c) 21
d) 16 e) None of theses
Q.53) $26\% \text{ of } 250 + \frac{2}{5}\% \text{ of } 1500 - \frac{12}{5} \text{ of } 775 = ?$
a) 1789 b) -2891 c) -1789
d) 1879 e) None of these
Q.54) $1850 + \sqrt{3136} \div \sqrt[3]{64} = ? - 259$
a) 2123 b) 1605 c) 2145
d) 1679 e) None of these
Q.55) $\sqrt{256 - (196 \times \frac{3}{4})} + ? = 12$

a) 32 b) 35 c) 36
d) 38 e) 30
Q.56) $25\% \text{ of } 20\% \text{ of } 15\% \text{ of } (?) = 3$
a) 400 b) 420 c) 540
d) 320 e) 280
Q.57) $(4\frac{1}{5} - 3\frac{2}{7}) \times \frac{7}{8} = (?)$
a) 0.5 b) 0.1 c) 0.8
d) 0.6 e) 1.2
Q.58) $\frac{3}{7} \text{ of } \frac{4}{17} \text{ of } \frac{7}{13} \text{ of } (?) = 84$
a) 1456 b) 1678 c) 1580
d) 1547 e) 1356
Q.59) $4(100 \times (?) - 20) = 20\% \text{ of } 120$
a) 0.26 b) 0.24 c) 0.28
d) 0.32 e) 0.42
Q.60) $\frac{3}{10} \times \frac{1}{5} \times \frac{2}{5} \times (?) = 75$
a) 3225 b) 3250 c) 3125
d) 3520 e) 3525
Q.61) $35\% \times (3\frac{2}{5} + 4\frac{2}{7}) = (?)$
a) 2.58 b) 3.24 c) 2.56
d) 3.12 e) 2.69
Q.62) $(\sqrt{\frac{676 \times 625}{169}}) \times (?)\% = 10$
a) 25 b) 20 c) 30
d) 36 e) 40
Q.63) $\frac{11}{17} \times \frac{13}{19} \times (?) = 143$
a) 332 b) 356 c) 342
d) 323 e) 312
Q.64) $2\% \text{ of } 5\% \text{ of } 7\% \text{ of } 100000 = (?)$
a) 5 b) 2 c) 9
d) 10 e) 7
Q.65) $11^2 + 13^2 \times 7^2 - ? = 28^2 \div \sqrt[3]{343}$
a) 8210 b) 8274 c) 7860
d) 8290 e) None of these
Q.66) $\frac{\sqrt{7921} + \sqrt{6241}}{168} = ?$
a) 0 b) 12 c) 15
d) 25 e) 1
Q.67) $20\% \text{ of } 285 - 16\% \text{ of } 250 + \frac{8}{9} \text{ of } 261 - \frac{9}{8} \text{ of } 216 = ?$
a) 6 b) -5 c) -4
d) 9 e) -11
Q.68) $1114 + 114.1 + 141.4 - 11.41 - 111.4 = ? - 11.14$
a) 1275.38 b) 1257.83 c) 1345.43
d) 1354.34 e) None of these
Q.69) $2015 \div 155 + 7 + ?^2 = 69$
a) 49 b) 14 c) 7
d) 12 e) 54
Q.70) $15\% \text{ of } 200 + 20\% \text{ of } 150 + 18\% \text{ of } 120 = x$
a) 61.6 b) 71.6 c) 81.6
d) 91.6 e) None of these
Q.71) $5\frac{1}{5} + 7\frac{2}{5} + 13\frac{3}{5} = x$
a) 26.2 b) 28.2 c) 36.2
d) 38.2 e) None of these
Q.72) $7.04 + 18.06 + 5.90 + 12.5 = x$
a) 40.5 b) 41.5 c) 42.5
d) 43.5 e) None of these
Q.73) $\frac{40}{8} + \frac{54}{9} + \frac{70}{10} + \frac{88}{11} = x$
a) 16 b) 26 c) 36
d) 46 e) None of these
Q.74) $5.5 \times 2 + 6.2 \times 5 + 7.5 \times 4 + 33 = x$
a) 85 b) 90 c) 95

d) 100 e) None of these
Q.75) $555.5 + 444.4 + 111.1 = x$
a) 1115 b) 1110 c) 1111
d) 1112 e) None of these
Q.76) $3^x \times 81 \times 27 = 3^{19}$
a) 12 b) 13 c) 14
d) 15 e) None of these
Q.77) $\frac{5}{8} \text{ of } 120 + \frac{8}{11} \text{ of } 121 + \frac{4}{9} \text{ of } 81 = x$
a) 202 b) 201 c) 200
d) 199 e) None of these
Q.78) $153 + 224 + 333 - 55 = x$
a) 650 b) 655 c) 660
d) 665 e) None of these
Q.79) $12\% \text{ of } 50 + 10\% \text{ of } 150 + 18\% \text{ of } 150 = x$
a) 54 b) 52 c) 50
d) 48 e) None of these
Q.80) $25\% \text{ of } 2500 + 12.5\% \text{ of } 6800 + (?) = 39^2$
a) 40 b) 43 c) 29
d) 46 e) 48
Q.81) $\frac{779}{19} + \frac{1147}{31} + \frac{2303}{47} - 2 = (?)^3$
a) 3 b) 4 c) 5
d) 6 e) 7
Q.82) $\frac{\sqrt{1849}}{731} \times 391 + \sqrt{3^2 - 2^2 - 1} = (?)^2$
a) 2 b) 3 c) 4
d) 5 e) 6
Q.83) $1.234 + 3.543 + 6.765 + 87.65 + (?) = (2.5 + 1.2 \times 4 + 1.2 + 1.5)^2$
a) 0.807 b) 0.808 c) 0.765
d) 0.864 e) None of these
Q.84) $350 \times 2 + 1.2 \times 5 + 6.2 \times 5 + 1.5 \times 2 = (?)\% \text{ of } 2000$
a) 39% b) 27% c) 37%
d) 20% e) 23%
Q.85) $12^2 + 23^2 \times 1.25 - 18^2 = ?$
a) 422.45 b) 481.25 c) 438.75
d) 323.25 e) 429.50
Q.86) $1\frac{2}{5} + 5\frac{7}{2} - 6\frac{5}{6} + 2\frac{1}{3} = ?$
a) $4\frac{9}{5}$ b) $5\frac{29}{32}$ c) $3\frac{5}{6}$
d) $5\frac{2}{5}$ e) None of these
Q.87) $1.5 \times 3.2 \times 7.5 + 23.5 + ? = 304 + 2.5$
a) 367 b) 289 c) 247
d) 234 e) 310
Q.88) $\frac{\sqrt{2916}}{24} \times \frac{316}{27} \div \frac{16}{219} \times 128 = ?$
a) 42936 b) 42019 c) 41920
d) 41490 e) 46136
Q.89) $165 + 14.5 \times 4 + ? = 198 + 28$
a) 3 b) 5 c) 11
d) 12 e) 9
Q.90) $4\frac{1}{9} \times 4\frac{1}{2} \div 20\frac{23}{16} \times 1\frac{36}{111} \times 1\frac{3}{4} \times x = 16$
a) 11 b) 9 c) 10
d) 8 e) 12
Q.91) $1\frac{7}{8} + 2\frac{5}{4} + 3\frac{1}{8} - 5\frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{8} \times x^3$
a) 2 b) 3 c) 4
d) 5 e) 6
Q.92) $\frac{5}{11} \text{ of } \frac{2}{17} \text{ of } 3\frac{6}{15} \text{ of } 1\frac{5}{17} \text{ of } x = 2452$
a) 10450 b) 10241 c) 10330
d) 10660 e) None of these
Q.93) $2\frac{1}{5} \div 1\frac{5}{6} \div \frac{36}{15} + x = 4$
a) 3.5 b) 4 c) 3

d) 2 e) 2.5
Q.94) $(128 \div 8) \times \left(1\frac{1}{5} + 4\frac{4}{5}\right) + 44 \times \frac{13}{1456} \times 112 = 2x$
a) 43 b) 92 c) 70
d) 40 e) None of these
Q.95) $\sqrt{256} = x^2 - 224 + 180 \div 12$
a) 25 b) 225 c) 15
d) 625 e) None of these
Q.96) $\frac{210}{15} \times \frac{176}{8} \div \frac{5}{60} \times \frac{221}{17} = x$
a) 48268 b) 48048 c) 48008
d) 48028 e) None of these
Q.97) $2 \times \left(\frac{1}{16}\right)\% \text{ of } 2400 - \left(\frac{3}{15}\right)\% \text{ of } 1000 = x$
a) 10 b) 3 c) 5
d) 1 e) None of these
Q.98) $25\% \text{ of } 360 + 15\% \text{ of } 220 - 140 \times \frac{2}{7} - 20 = x$
a) 53 b) 73 c) 63
d) 68 e) None of these
Q.99) $105 \times 1335 \div \sqrt{225} = x + \sqrt{169}$
a) 9342 b) 9332 c) 9164
d) 9316 e) None of these
Q.100) $256 + \sqrt{529} - 15 \times 12 = ? + 72$
a) 34 b) 56 c) 72
d) 48 e) 27
Q.101) $\frac{1}{3} \times 987 + 15\% \text{ of } 940 + ? = 267$
a) 203 b) 213 c) -203
d) -222 e) -237
Q.102) $345 + 543 + 453 + 354 = ?$
a) 1659 b) 1695 c) 1879
d) 1873 e) 1768
Q.103) $1854.5 + 984.75 + 1171.23 - ? = 565.48$
a) 3545 b) 3354 c) 3544
d) 3445 e) 3454
Q.104) $12 \div 4 \times 24 + \sqrt{1764} = ? \times 4$
a) 25.5 b) 32.4 c) 28.5
d) 29.7 e) 43.6
Q.105) $\sqrt{552 + (8 \times 3)} + 346 + 432 + 246 + (?) = 1089$
a) 35 b) 32 c) 41
d) 38 e) 25
Q.106) $\frac{102}{17} \times \frac{156}{13} + \sqrt{9\frac{1}{81} - \frac{1}{81}} = (?)$
a) 72 b) 75 c) 70
d) 65 e) 76
Q.107) $1\frac{2}{5} \div 3\frac{2}{5} + \sqrt{\left(3\frac{1}{289} - \frac{9 \times 3}{289}\right)} + \frac{15}{17} = (?)$
a) 4 b) 5 c) 2
d) 3 e) 1
Q.108) $133.242 + 1314.24 + 144.21 + 244.35 + 1413.53 - 0.572 = (?)$
a) 3249 b) 2455 c) 3246
d) 4326 e) 3454
Q.109) $\frac{\sqrt{676}}{36} \times \frac{\sqrt{1024}}{\sqrt{169}} \times (6 \times 3) + 1431 + 34 = (?)$
a) 1498 b) 1232 c) 1499
d) 1525 e) None of these
Q.110) $12^2 \times \frac{2}{18} + \sqrt[3]{14884} + (?) = (6.5 \times 2)^2$
a) 41 b) 39 c) 21
d) 31 e) 11
Q.111) $12 \times 12.5 + 18 \times (?) = (19 + 1)^2 + (16.25 \times 4)$
a) 16.5 b) 18.5 c) 17.5
d) 12.5 e) 10.5
Q.112) $\frac{221}{21} \times \frac{567}{17} - (?) = 18^2$

a) 37 b) 18 c) 9
d) 3 e) 27
Q.113) $2.334 + 54.24 + 45.24 - (?) = 8.23 + 21.32 + 10.45 + 0.814$
a) 82 b) 62 c) 61
d) 16 e) 59
Q.114) $\sqrt[3]{4913} + (23.324 + 4324.24 + 313.3 - 0.864) = (?)$
a) 4698 b) 4688 c) 4378
d) 4677 e) 4489
Q.115) $\sqrt{6724} \times 1.5 - \sqrt{12321} \times \frac{7}{2} + 29^2 - 1 = x$
a) 564.5 b) 574.5 c) 546.5
d) 585.5 e) 486.5
Q.116) $x = 52^2 + 3 \times 2 + 4000 \div 2 \text{ of } 25\% \text{ of } 1600$
a) 2155 b) 2715 c) 2615
d) 2705 e) None of these
Q.117) $x = (69.3 \times 15.2) + (4.5 \times 18.5) + (7.25 \times 44)$
a) 1355.61 b) 1445.61 c) 1455.61
d) 1545.61 e) 1544.61
Q.118) $\frac{11}{30} - \left[\frac{1}{6} + \left[\frac{1}{5} + \left[\frac{7}{12} - \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4}\right)\right]\right]\right] = ?$
a) 1.5 b) -1.5 c) 1
d) 0 e) None of these
Q.119) $\frac{3}{11} \times \left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{3}\right)\left(1 + \frac{1}{4}\right) \dots \dots \left(1 + \frac{1}{120}\right)\right] = ?$
a) 121 b) 11 c) 10.6
d) 7.82 e) None of these
Q.120) If $X = 2 + \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}}\right)}$ then the value of $4x + \frac{7}{3} = ?$
a) 11 b) $34/3$ c) $11\frac{2}{3}$
d) 5 e) None of these
Q.121) If $a - b = 3$ and $a^2 + b^2 = 29$, find the value of ab .
a) 10 b) 12 c) 15
d) 18 e) None of these
Q.122) $35 \times \sqrt{324} \div 7 - 73 = ? - \sqrt{16641}$
a) 119 b) 128 c) 146
d) 136 e) None of these
Q.123) $(\sqrt{100})^2 + (\sqrt{9})^3 = ?$
a) 50 b) 25 c) 127
d) 225 e) 175
Q.124) $8000 \div (5 \times 2) + 774 - 191.667 \times 3 = ?$
a) 1000 b) 1280 c) 1180
d) 1080 e) 1500
Q.125) $\sqrt{225} \times \sqrt{64} \times 2 \times 11 = ?$
a) 4150 b) 2640 c) 3005
d) 1250 e) 2050
Q.126) $(749 - \sqrt{105625} - 124) \div (\sqrt{1572516} - 1104) = ?$
a) 2 b) 4 c) 6
d) 8 e) 12
Q.127) $x^2 + 16 - 2^2 + 68 = 9^2$, find the value of X ?
a) 3 b) 2 c) 1
d) 5 e) 6
Q.128) $\frac{(4^2 + 3^2)}{5} = \sqrt{?}$
a) 4 b) 25 c) 5
d) 16 e) 369
Q.129) $1.01 + 3.03 + 2.02 + 4.04 + 5.05 = ?$
a) 15.05 b) 12.05 c) 15.15

d) 14.15 e) 16.45
Q.130) $\frac{4x+6}{5x+6} = \frac{11}{13}$ find the value of X ?
a) 4 b) 5 c) 6
d) 3 e) 2
Q.131) 17% of 300 is $\frac{1}{3}$ of X , then find out the value of 10% of X ?
a) 5.13 b) 15.6 c) 51.3
d) 15.3 e) 31.5
Q.132) $1513 + 4513 - 2513 - 1753 = x \times 2$, find the value of x ?
a) 740 b) 880 c) 450
d) 720 e) 680
Q.133) $\left(\frac{1}{7} + \frac{2}{3} + \frac{5}{6}\right)$ of 42 = ?
a) 73 b) 97 c) 67
d) 69 e) 86
Q.134) $11^2 + \sqrt{25} - 26 = X^2$ find the value of X ?
a) 11 b) 9 c) 12
d) 7 e) 10
Q.135) $\frac{15}{16} \times \frac{16}{17} \times \frac{17}{18} \dots \dots \dots \frac{179}{180} = ?$
a) $\frac{1}{15}$ b) $\frac{1}{10}$ c) $\frac{1}{8}$
d) $\frac{1}{12}$ e) $\frac{1}{20}$
Q.136) $21 \times 14 \div 3 + 12 - 21 = ?$
a) 99 b) 89 c) 79
d) 69 e) 59
Q.137) $21 \times 11 + 4 - 8 \times 16 \div 4 = ?$
a) 203 b) 213 c) 224
d) 209 e) 229
Q.138) $15 \times 15 + 15 \div 15 - 15 + 115 = ?$
a) 316 b) 327 c) 326
d) 314 e) 321
Q.139) $\sqrt{2601} \times 64 \div \sqrt{64} = ? \times \frac{12}{13}$
a) 421 b) 467 c) 431
d) 442 e) 458
Q.140) $13\% \text{ of } 200 - 2.5\% \text{ of } 1000 \times 12\% \text{ of } 50 = ? - 125$
a) 5 b) 1 c) 0
d) 8 e) 9
Q.141) $4321 + 4433 - 2434 + 431 - 417 - 488 = ?$
a) 5836 b) 5386 c) 5766
d) 5846 e) 5486
Q.142) $2.5^2 + 1.6^2 + 1.4^2 - 2.7^2 = ?$
a) 18.06 b) 34.8 c) 3.48
d) 42.9 e) 4.29
Q.143) $\frac{42}{462} \times \frac{7}{49} \times \frac{98}{4} \times \frac{22}{14} \times 6 = ?$
a) 3 b) 4 c) 6
d) 7 e) 8
Q.144) $11\% \text{ of } 200 + 45\% \text{ of } 60 - 8\% \text{ of } 250 = ?$
a) 43 b) 38 c) 31
d) 29 e) 39
Q.145) $32 + 4378 - 322 \div 2 \times 3 + \sqrt{841} = ?$
a) 3896 b) 3998 c) 4023
d) 4189 e) 3956
Q.146) $\frac{11}{13} \times 104 - \frac{11}{27} \times 108 + \frac{5}{6} \times 336 = ?$
a) 334 b) 324 c) 312
d) 342 e) 326
Q.147) $? = 14\% \text{ of } 350 + \frac{2}{3} \text{ of } 270 - 11\% \text{ of } 300$
a) 112 b) 216 c) 196
d) 262 e) 242
Q.148) $? = (1.2 \times 25) - \left(\frac{4}{5} \times 32\right) + (3.5 \times 22)$

- a) 82.6 b) 81.4 c) 71.4
d) 84.1 e) 82.1
- Q.149) $? = \sqrt[3]{64} \div \sqrt{256} \times 8^2 \times \frac{1}{2^2}$
- a) 4 b) 1 c) 3
d) 2 e) 5
- Q.150) $? = \left(\frac{24}{16} \times \frac{9}{15} \times \frac{8}{12} \times \frac{45}{27}\right)$
- a) 6 b) 7 c) 1
d) 3 e) 4
- Q.151) $\frac{?}{4} = (12 + 35) \times (12^2 - (18 \times 7))$
- a) 3384 b) 3128 c) 3484
d) 3834 e) None of these
- Q.152) $? = 2\frac{3}{4} - 1\frac{7}{8} + \frac{22}{4} + \frac{25}{8}$
- a) $12\frac{3}{4}$ b) $9\frac{1}{2}$ c) $10\frac{1}{8}$
d) $9\frac{1}{8}$ e) $11\frac{1}{8}$
- Q.153) $? = 13 \times \frac{91}{7} - 3 \times 13$
- a) 160 b) 132 c) 128
d) 130 e) None of these
- Q.154) $? = \frac{5^3 - 12^2 + 7^2 - 11^2}{\sqrt{4}}$
- a) 42.5 b) -44.5 c) -45.5
d) 90 e) -85
- Q.155) 23% of 200 + ? = 25% of 480 + 160% of 50 + 125% of 10
- a) 166.5 b) 154.4 c) 168.2
d) 186.6 e) 156.6
- Q.156) $? = \frac{12 \times 60}{15 \times 51} \times 132 \times \frac{4}{6}$
- a) 136 b) 614 c) 138
d) 126 e) 128
- Q.157) $\frac{201}{67} \times 12 + 18\% \text{ of } 250 = ?$
- a) 78 b) 81 c) 62
d) 71 e) 80
- Q.158) $2.5 \times 3.5 \times 1.5 \times 26 = ? + 0.25$
- a) 339 b) 382 c) 341
d) 388 e) 321
- Q.159) $13 + 12^2 - 11 + 8^3 - 33 = ?^2$
- a) 225 b) 625 c) 5
d) 25 e) 15
- Q.159) $15 \times 4 \div 20 + 156 - 13 \times 5 = ?$
- a) 99 b) 97 c) 78
d) 81 e) 94
- Q.160) $5\frac{4}{9} + 3\frac{2}{9} + 8\frac{5}{9} - 7\frac{7}{9} = ?$
- a) $5\frac{8}{9}$ b) $5\frac{1}{3}$ c) $4\frac{2}{3}$
d) $7\frac{3}{9}$ e) $9\frac{4}{9}$
- Q.161) 56% of 650 + 87% of 200 - 21% of 800 + 12% of 150 = ?
- a) 377 b) 376 c) 328
d) 388 e) 387
- Q.162) $\frac{13}{17} \times 51 + \frac{4}{9} \times 144 - \frac{2}{3} \times 51 + 111 = ?$
- a) 172 b) 154 c) 180
d) 159 e) 150
- Q.163) 4555 + 8646 + 231 - 5436 - 21 + 54 = ?
- a) 8123 b) 8029 c) 7929
d) 7156 e) 8213
- Q.164) $\frac{1}{68} \times \frac{16}{21} \times \frac{7}{5} \times \frac{45}{4} \times 289 = ?$
- a) 51 b) 53 c) 49
d) 62 e) 57
- Q.165) 1.29 + 12.9 + 19.2 - 29.1 - 0.92 \times 2 = ?
- a) 3.55 b) 2.45 c) 1.25

- d) 2.50 e) 4.15
- Q.166) 20% of 300 + 12% of 150 + 10% of 80 = x
- a) 66 b) 76 c) 86
d) 96 e) None of these
- Q.167) 9.09 + 6.08 + 12.07 + 15.05 = x
- a) 42.29 b) 43.29 c) 44.29
d) 45.29 e) None of these
- Q.168) $8\frac{1}{6} + 9\frac{5}{6} + 5\frac{2}{3} + 2\frac{1}{2} = x + \frac{7}{6}$
- a) 24 b) 35 c) 32
d) 25 e) None of these
- Q.169) $2.5 \times 4 + 3.5 \times 2 + 4.2 \times 5 + 7.5 \times 8 = x$
- a) 97 b) 98 c) 99
d) 100 e) None of these
- Q.170) $\frac{24}{6} + \frac{141}{3} + \frac{84}{4} + \frac{75}{5} = x$
- a) 82 b) 83 c) 84
d) 85 e) None of these
- Q.171) 11.11 + 22.22 + 33.67 + 44 = x
- a) 99 b) 110 c) 111
d) 112 e) None of these
- Q.172) $4^3 \times 256 \times 4 = 4^{2x}$
- a) 4 b) 5 c) 6
d) 7 e) None of these
- Q.173) $\frac{30}{6} \text{ of } 4 + \frac{4}{11} \text{ of } 121 + \frac{45}{9} \text{ of } 5 = x$
- a) 85 b) 75 c) 79
d) 89 e) None of these
- Q.174) 182 + 222 - 121 + 252 = x
- a) 565 b) 535 c) 545
d) 525 e) None of these
- Q.175) 20% of 225 + 12% of 750 + 18% of 300 = x
- a) 184 b) 185 c) 186
d) 187 e) None of these
- Q.176) 30% of 1500 + 40% of 3700 + 19% of 7000 = x
- a) 3380 b) 3170 c) 3260
d) 3340 e) 3080
- Q.177) 2000 \times 15 + 4500 \times 2 = x + 15000
- a) 26000 b) 20000 c) 18000
d) 16000 e) 24000
- Q.178) 1000 + 1500 + 2500 - 10% of 20000 = x
- a) 1500 b) 2000 c) 2500
d) 3000 e) 3500
- Q.179) $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{5}{8} + \frac{17}{16} - \frac{3}{16} = x$
- a) $\frac{3}{4}$ b) $\frac{5}{4}$ c) $\frac{7}{4}$
d) $\frac{3}{2}$ e) None of these
- Q.180) 78 \times 2 + 44 \times 3 - 27 \times 5 = x
- a) 157 b) 151 c) 159
d) 153 e) 149
- Q.181) 10000 + 1400 \times 5 + 20% of 1000 = x
- a) 17200 b) 17020 c) 19200
d) 19020 e) 18200
- Q.182) 25% of 3000 + $\frac{45}{15} \times 1200 = x$
- a) 4530 b) 5430 c) 4350
d) 4450 e) 4250
- Q.183) 1200 + 2500 + 5400 + 7500 + 8400 + x = 30000
- a) 4000 b) 3000 c) 2000
d) 8000 e) 5000
- Q.184) 70% of 25000 + 150 \times 20 - 10000 = x
- a) 10000 b) 11500 c) 9500
d) 12000 e) 10500

- Q.185) $1\frac{1}{4} + 3\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4} - 4\frac{3}{8} = x$
- a) $1\frac{5}{8}$ b) $2\frac{3}{8}$ c) $1\frac{1}{8}$
d) $2\frac{5}{8}$ e) $3\frac{3}{8}$
- Q.186) $(1296 + (?)) \div 4 = 576$
- a) 1004 b) 1005 c) 1010
d) 1008 e) 1020
- Q.187) 20% of (?) + 40% of 500 = 280
- a) 200 b) 300 c) 400
d) 240 e) 280
- Q.188) 1356 + 357 - 246 = 3755 - (?)
- a) 2290 b) 2288 c) 2456
d) 2480 e) 2454
- Q.189) $\frac{\sqrt{256}}{\sqrt[3]{512}} \times (154 - 131) = (?)$
- a) 45 b) 52 c) 46
d) 64 e) 58
- Q.190) $((1334 + (?)) \div 3) + ((124 + 136) \div 4) = 695$
- a) 556 b) 473 c) 467
d) 588 e) 548
- Q.191) 426 + 3713 + 241 + 2461 + (?) = 7023
- a) 197 b) 164 c) 182
d) 164 e) 146
- Q.192) 40% of 1920 + 60% of 3290 = (?)
- a) 2632 b) 3286 c) 2742
d) 2538 e) 3288
- Q.193) $\sqrt{21 + \sqrt{211 + \sqrt{196}}} = (?)$
- a) 5 b) 6 c) 4
d) 7 e) 8
- Q.194) $\frac{2}{5} \times \frac{5}{7} \times 2625 = (?)$
- a) 679 b) 750 c) 684
d) 890 e) 970
- Q.195) $2\frac{1}{3} - 6\frac{2}{5} + 7\frac{2}{7} = \frac{13^2}{?}$
- a) 51.5 b) 50.5 c) 52.5
d) 54.5 e) 55.5
- Q.196) $15 \times 6 + 13 \times 5 - 17 \times 8 \div 2 = 29 \times ?$
- a) 2 b) 3 c) 4
d) 5 e) 6
- Q.197) 35% of 420 + 46% of 250 - 30% of 140 = 20 \times ?
- a) 15 b) 9 c) 7
d) 13 e) 11
- Q.198) $5^2 \times 35^6 \times 7^3 \times 5 = 35^{11} ? 35^2$. Which of the following symbol will come on the place of question mark?
- a) \times b) + c) -
d) \div e) \pm
- Q.199) $\frac{6}{7} + \frac{2}{4} + \frac{3}{14} + \frac{1}{2} - ? = 1$
- a) $\frac{15}{14}$ b) $\frac{2}{7}$ c) $\frac{13}{28}$
d) $\frac{1}{56}$ e) $\frac{1}{4}$
- Q.200) 123.5 + 134.01 + 45.555 + 67.876 = ?
- a) 370.491 b) 347.941 c) 370.941
d) 379.041 e) 374.941
- Q.201) $14^2 + 12^2 - 15^2 + 7^3 = ? + 18^2$
- a) 136 b) 137 c) 135
d) 134 e) 130
- Q.202) 0.1 + 0.12 + 0.123 + 0.1234 + 0.12345 = ?
- a) 1.28685 b) 0.58985 c) 0.56595

- d) 0.58495 e) 1.24985
Q.203) $-34 + 6^2 + 8^2 - 6 \times 8 = ?$
a) 16 b) 19 c) 18
d) 17 e) 21
Q.204) $1.2 \times 5 + 4 \times 0.8 - 8 \div 0.4 = ?$
a) 10.8 b) 11.8 c) -12.7
d) 9.7 e) -10.8
Q.205) $987 + 876 + 765 + 654 = 345 + 456 + 567 + 789 + ?$
a) 890 b) 1125 c) 725
d) 675 e) 925
Q.206) $4591 + 3421 - 4531 - 6754 + x = 1$
a) 3272 b) 3273 c) 3275
d) 3276 e) 3274
Q.207) 30% of 450 + 45% of 300 = 150% of X, find the value of X?
a) 160 b) 180 c) 240
d) 270 e) 135
Q.208) $25^2 + 45 + 33^2 = 1276 + x$
a) 483 b) 484 c) 485
d) 486 e) None of these
Q.209) $\frac{(12 \times 13) + (13 \times 12)}{12} = x$
a) 13 b) 169 c) 144
d) 24 e) 26
Q.210) Find $21 + 22 + 23 + 24 + \dots + 48 + 49 + 50$.
a) 1065 b) 1025 c) 1115
d) 655 e) None of these
Q.211) $3\frac{1}{7} + 8\frac{2}{7} + 12\frac{3}{7} = x$
a) 43.86 b) 33.86 c) 23.86
d) 13.86 e) None of these
Q.212) $22.22 + 88.88 + 55.55 + 45.55 = x$
a) 212.2 b) 213.3 c) 214.4
d) 215.5 e) None of these
Q.213) $7^{2x} = 49 \times 343 \times 7^3$
a) 1 b) 2 c) 3
d) 4 e) None of these
Q.214) $\frac{25}{28}$ of 112 + $\frac{22}{11}$ of 25 + 12.5% of 400 = x
a) 250 b) 200 c) 150
d) 100 e) None of these
Q.215) $255 + 445 + 200 - 300 = x$
a) 400 b) 500 c) 600
d) 700 e) None of these
Q.216) ? = 42% of 500 - 35% of 400 + 8% of 50
a) 88 b) 72 c) 74
d) 81 e) 84
Q.217) $8^7 = \frac{16}{64} \times 256 \times \frac{2^3}{4^2}$
a) $2\frac{1}{3}$ b) $1\frac{2}{3}$ c) $2\frac{2}{3}$
d) $2\frac{3}{5}$ e) None of these
Q.218) ? = $\frac{34 \times 12}{48 \times 2} \times \frac{15 \times 45}{3 \times 25}$
a) 38.25 b) 41.55 c) 36.50
d) 31.75 e) 41.75
Q.219) ? = $\sqrt{121} \times \frac{\sqrt{225}}{33} \times \sqrt{49}$
a) 70 b) 35 c) 105
d) 15 e) 65
Q.220) ? = $33.03 + 133.33 - 333.33 + 1030.30$
a) 813.33 b) 873.33 c) 893.03
d) 843.33 e) 863.33
Q.221) ? = $\frac{4}{7}$ of 77 + $\frac{3}{10}$ of 120 - $\frac{2}{9}$ of 108

- a) 46 b) 96 c) 56
d) 86 e) None of these
Q.222) ? = $\frac{3}{4}$ % of 1600 - $\frac{2}{5}$ % of 2500 + $\frac{11}{9}$ % of 900
a) 13 b) 11 c) 12
d) 21 e) 14
Q.223) ? = $\frac{(4^3)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{16} \times \frac{96}{3 \div 27} \times \sqrt[3]{27}$
a) 1436 b) 1156 c) 1186
d) 1296 e) 1269
Q.224) ? = $\sqrt{16 + \sqrt{70 + \sqrt{117 + \sqrt{16}}}}$
a) 25 b) 5 c) 4
d) 7 e) None of these
Q.225) $\frac{7^2}{2} = \frac{44}{11} \times \frac{128}{12^2} \times 3^4$
a) 26 b) 576 c) 24
d) 16 e) 36
Q.226) Find the x value and answer the given question.
 $\frac{98! \times 96! \times 109! \times 198!}{197! \times 95! \times 97! \times 108!} = 56448x$
a) 3487 b) 3957 c) 3497
d) 3597 e) None of these
Q.227) Find the value of x and answer the given questions.
 $18 \times 99 \times 17 - 89.5\% \text{ of } 39000 = x - \frac{140275}{25}$
a) 900 b) 1000 c) 2200
d) 1250 e) 950
Q.228) Find the x value and answer the given question.
 $49\frac{7}{198} \times \frac{94446}{87381} + \frac{12643}{269} = x$
a) 90 b) 100 c) 220
d) 250 e) 150
Q.229) Find the value of x and answer the given question.
 $\frac{9^{\frac{8}{7} + 7 + \frac{9}{8} + \frac{2}{9} - \frac{247}{504}}}{3^9} = 3^x$
a) 10 b) 3 c) 0
d) 9 e) 18
Q.230) Find the x value and answer the given question.
 $7845 - 9859.14 + 8945.94 + x = 23 \times 138 + \frac{2303}{47} + 45\% \text{ of } 9804$
a) 803 b) 873 c) 773
d) 793 e) 703
Q.231) $\sqrt{676} \times 25 + 19 \times (4)^2 - 609 \div 29 = ?$
a) 920 b) 933 c) 940
d) 931 e) 900
Q.232) $32 \times \left\{ \left(\frac{4}{5} \right)^2 \left(\frac{5}{7} \right)^2 \left(\frac{7}{8} \right)^2 \right\} = ?$
a) 5 b) 6 c) 7
d) 8 e) 9
Q.233) 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.234) $4\frac{1}{9} \times \frac{41}{2} \div 1\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{9}{41} \times (?) = 74$
a) 8 b) 9 c) 10
d) 11 e) 7
Q.235) $1\frac{7}{8} + 2\frac{5}{4} + 3\frac{1}{8} - 5\frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{8} \times (?)$
a) 9 b) 8 c) 4

- d) 5 e) 6
Q.236) 65% of 75% of 40% of (?) = 3510
a) 12500 b) 18000 c) 16500
d) 17500 e) 15000
Q.237) $\left(2\frac{3}{5} \div 4\frac{2}{5}\right) + \left(7\frac{2}{5} \div 3\frac{4}{5}\right) = \frac{?}{418}$
a) 1044 b) 1024 c) 1061
d) 1051 e) 1078
Q.238) 45% of 960 + $\frac{2}{5} \times 670 = (?)$
a) 700 b) 650 c) 750
d) 800 e) 900
Q.239) $\frac{\sqrt{289}}{\sqrt{361}} \times \sqrt[3]{729} \times 20\% \text{ of } 6175 = (?)$
a) 7959 b) 7085 c) 6890
d) 5895 e) 9945
Q.240) $\sqrt{504 + \sqrt{620 + \sqrt{4 + \sqrt{63 \times 7}}} = (?)$
a) 27 b) 23 c) 24
d) 22 e) 26
Q.241) $\sqrt{2025} + \left(\frac{\sqrt{3136}}{\sqrt{784}}\right) + 866.64 + 25.36 = ?$
a) 913 b) 942 c) 839
d) 939 e) 833
Q.242) $4000 + 48\% \text{ of } 1300 + \frac{304}{19} = ?$
a) 4012 b) 4392 c) 4640
d) 4302 e) 4911
Q.243) $1\frac{4}{5} \% \text{ of } 3600 + 1750 + 120 - 48 = ? + 15\% \text{ of } \sqrt{676}$
a) 1772.9 b) 1882.9 c) 1893.3
d) 1782.9 e) 1832.8
Q.244) $96 \times 15 \div 3 \times 13 + 566 = ?$
a) 6806 b) 6608 c) 6680
d) 6783 e) 6875
Q.245) $\frac{8400}{60} + \frac{810}{\sqrt[3]{729}} + \frac{\sqrt{729}}{\sqrt[3]{27}} = ?$
a) 255 b) 241 c) 239
d) 210 e) 222
Q.246) ? = $\frac{(42 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{49}})}{(24 \times 52)} \times \sqrt{169} \times \frac{1}{(144)^{-\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}}$
a) 1.5 b) 0.25 c) 1.25
d) 0.75 e) 0.50
Q.247) ? = 28% of 650 + $\frac{1}{13}$ % of 5200 - 130% of 80
a) 72 b) 182 c) 90
d) 82 e) None of these
Q.248) ? = $\frac{445}{\sqrt{25}} \times \frac{648}{12} \times \frac{446}{18} \times \frac{1}{534}$
a) 248 b) 236 c) 223
d) 251 e) 249
Q.249) ? = $\frac{21}{19}$ of 57 + $\frac{43}{25}$ of 75 + $\frac{33}{14}$ of 28
a) 258 b) 239 c) 274
d) 292 e) 285
Q.250) ? = $11^2 \times 5^3 \div \sqrt[3]{125} \times 0.4^2 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{64}}$
a) 15 b) 121 c) 11
d) 55 e) 66

CURRENT AFFAIRS QUIZ

ANSWER KEY:

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