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Ques. : 1 The Maven mission of the US space agency NASA, scheduled to be launched in Nov this year, is aimed to explore which of the following planets?

1) Mercury
2) Jupiter
3) Mars
4) Venus
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 2 What is India's current ranking in the list of 189 countries in the ease of doing business report released by the World Bank recently?

1) 85
2) 110
3) 130
4) 134
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 3 Which of the following is correct with respect to the recent policy review (29 Oct 2013) of the RBI?

1) It allowed banks to pay interest on fixed deposits and bank accounts on a monthly or fortnightly basis given that the transition from current practice is not mandatory.
2) The RBI is in process to make the inflation-indexed linked to the consumer price inflation (CPI).
3) The RBI advised the banks that they should levy charges on SMS alerts on usage basis instead of a fixed levy that most of them charge every quarter.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 4 The book 'Shadow Play' has been authored by

1) Shashi Deshpande
2) Rajmohan Gandhi
3) Nirmalangshu Mukherji
4) Ramachandra Guha
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 5 Which of the following countries has created a Social Happiness ministry in an attempt to coordinate all the programmes created to alleviate poverty?

1) Venezuela
2) Bhutan
3) Cuba
4) Norway
5) Spain
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 6 Which of the following countries has announced a major oil discovery, containing an estimated 1.3 billion barrels reserve, near the large oil fields of Hassi Messaoud?

1) Tunisia
2) Algeria
3) Morocco
4) Estonia
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 7 The Parliament of which of the following countries has passed a new anti-terror bill that toughens punishment for terrorism and requires terrorists' relatives to pay for the damages caused in attacks?

1) France
2) UK
3) Australia
4) Russia
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 8 The RBI has announced that under the special concession window for swapping foreign currency non-resident (FCNR) deposit and overseas foreign currency borrowings, it received _____recently.

1) $9 billion
2) $10.1 billion
3) $11 billion
4) $12.3 billion
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 9 Who among the following has been given the first founders award from the Elton John AIDS Foundation recently?

1) Hillary Clinton
2) Bill Gates
3) Angelina Jolie
4) Al Gore
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 10 Which of the following countries has revealed its plans to create a new email service to secure its citizens and businesses against foreign espionage recently?

1) Indonesia
2) Germany
3) Brazil
4) France
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 11 In a path-breaking verdict, the Supreme Court has ruled that bureaucrats should not act on verbal orders given by political bosses. Which of the following statements is/are NOT correct in the context of the recent verdict?

1) The SC suggested that Parliament must enact a law to regulate postings, transfers and disciplinary action against bureaucrats.
2) The civil servants should not act on verbal orders given by political executives and all actions must be taken by them on the basis of written communication.
3) It asked the Centre and all State govts along with Union Territories to issue directions within three months for providing fixed tenure to civil servants.
4) The bench has suggested constituting Civil Services Board at the Centre and State-levels.
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 12 The four Public Sector Enterprises have been awarded the Turnaround Awards for 2013 by the Board for Reconstruction of Public Sector Enterprises (BRPSE) recently. Which of the following PSUs in not among them?

1) SAIL Refractory Unit
2) National Projects Construction Corporation Limited
3) National Film Development Corporation Limited
4) Bharat Coking Coal Limited
5) Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limitedx
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 13 The panel headed by who among the following has suggested that diesel prices should be hiked by Rs 5 per litre, kerosene by Rs 4 per litre and cooking gas (LPG) rates by Rs 250 per cylinder immediately to cut fuel subsidy bill by Rs 72,000 cr?

1) K Kasturirangan
2) Kirit S Parikh
3) Abhijit Sen
4) Narendra Jadhav
5) B K Chaturvedi
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 14 In which of the following countries tens of thousands of workers went on strike calling for hefty pay rises as the cost of living has skyrocketed due to surging inflation? The country, one of the top economies of Southeast Asia, has shown a stellar growth in past few years.

1) Malaysia
2) Cambodia
3) Indonesia
4) Singapore
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 15 The book 'Vanity Bagh' has been authored by

1) Anees Salim
2) Husain Haqqani
3) Sumati Bagrath
4) Kaveri Ponappa
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 16 Which of the following cities has got the world's first publicly accessible ATM machine which can exchange digital currency, bitcoins, for any official currency?

1) Toronto
2) London
3) New York
4) Vancouver
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 17 Name the renowned Bharatnatyam exponent who has been honoured with the prestigious Guru Debaprasad Award for outstanding contribution in the field of dance recently?

1) Chitra Vishweswaran
2) Geeta Chandran
3) Padma Subramanyam
4) T Balasaraswati
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 18 Which of following countries is the largest producer of gold?

1) South Africa
2) Russia
3) US
4) China
5) Australia
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 19 What is the expanded form of the term BTM?

1) Business Transaction Management
2) Business Technology Management
3) Business and Trade Management
4) Business Tourism Management
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 20 Which of the following pairs of countries and their parliaments is NOT matched correctly?

1) Russia – Duma
2) Japan – Diet
3) Iran – Majlis
4) Bhutan – Tsogdu
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 21 Nabam Tuki is the current Chief Minister of which of the following states? He launched the Chief Minister's Trophy recently for Football and Volleyball tournaments to be played in both men and women events in the state.

1) Assam
2) Manipur
3) Arunachal Pradesh
4) Mizoram
5) Tripura
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 22 The country's first all women bank Bharatiya Mahila Bank is all set to be launched on 19 Nov which is the birth anniversary of

1) Indira Gandhi
2) Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit
3) Annie Besant
4) Sarojini Naidu
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 23 India and which of the following countries has signed a treaty for transfer of sentenced prisoners languishing in jails in the two countries?

1) Chile
2) Cuba
3) Vietnam
4) Croatia
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 24 The Supreme Court upheld the appointment of UK Sinha as the chairman of which of the following regulators recently as it was done by the govt fairly and in accordance with the procedure of the law?

1) IRDA
2) PFRDA
3) CERC
4) SEBI
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 25 Who among the following has been crowned Miss Asia Pacific World 2013 recently?

1) Nehal Bhogaita
2) Srishti Rana
3) Navneet Kaur Dhillon
4) Vanya Mishra
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 26 Name the Indian who has been elected to the United Nations Board of Auditors with garnering the largest number of votes among contenders.

1) Prashant Bhushan
2) N Gopalaswami
3) Vinod Rai
4) Shashi Kant Sharma
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 27 Which of the districts in Kerala has become the first district in the country where every family owes a piece of land?

1) Kozhikode
2) Kottayam
3) Kannur
4) Kollam
5) Kasargod
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 28 As per the information provided by the RBI Deputy Governor KC Chakrabarty, how many out of 600,000 villages in India have bank branches?

1) 40,000
2) 50,000
3) 60,000
4) 80,000
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 29 What is the full form of NPCI?

1) National Plastic Corporation of India
2) National Petroleum Corporation of India
3) National Processing Corporation of India
4) National Payments Corporation of India
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 30 The book Magnificent Delusions has been authored by

1) Husain Haqqani
2) Rana Mitter
3) Sumati Bagrath
4) Ravi Subramaniam
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 31 Which of the following Indian batsmen scored a double century, only third in the ODIs till date, in the recently concluded India-Australia ODI series?

1) Mahendra Singh Dhoni
2) Virat Kohli
3) Rohit Sharma
4) Shikhar Dhawan
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 32 Which of the following terrorist, the head of Pakistan Taliban, was killed in the drone attack by the US recently inside Pakistan?

1) Abu Anas al-Libi
2) Hafiz Muhammad Saeed
3) Hakimullah Mehsud
4) Khan Syed Mehsud
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 33 Which of the following statements is/are NOT correct with respect to the recently launched India's Mars Orbiter Mission?

1) It was launched from the Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota.
2) India's indigenous launch vehicle PSLV C25 carried India's first inter-planetary satellite.
3) After launch, the satellite is expected to go around the Earth for 20-25 days, before embarking on a nine-month voyage to the red planet.
4) The India's Rs 450-cr MOM mission is the fourth in the world, after the US, Russia and Europe.
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 34 Who among the following has won the 2013 Singapore Grand Prix Formula One championship recently?

1) Sebastian Vettel
2) Lewis Hamilton
3) Mark Webber
4) Fernando Alonso
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 35 Which of the following Indian cricketers have been nominated for the International Cricket Council's People's Choice Award, the winner of which will be declared on 13 Dec during the governing body's 10th annual awards?

1) Virat Kohli
2) MS Dhoni
3) Rohit Sharma
4) Both 1) and 2)
5) Bothe 1) and 3)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 36 Yuki Bhambri is associated with which of the following games?

1) Hockey
2) Squash
3) Tennis
4) Badminton

5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 37 Which of the following is correct with respect to the recently concluded India-Australia ODI series?

1) India clinched the ODI series 3-2 with 57-run win in the seventh match in Bangalore.
2) Enroute his 158-ball-209, Rohit Sharma created a world record by hitting as many as 16 sixes along with 12 fours.
3) This is the third instance when India has won a seven-match ODI series against the Aussies.
4) Only 1) and 2)
5) Only 1) and 3) **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 38 As per the reports published in the financial newspapers recently, India's core sector grown by 8 per cent in the month of September, highest in last 11 months. Which of the following is not included in the eight core sector industries?

1) Cement **2)** Automobiles
3) Electricity production **4)** Steel
5) Crude oil **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 39 India's Vice-President Hamid Ansari returned home recently after an eight-day official visit to three-nations including Cuba, Peru and

1) Chile **2)** Hungry
3) United Kingdom **4)** Algeria
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 40 What is the expanded form of NPS?

1) National Pension System **2)** National Provident System
3) National Provisional System **4)** National Participatory System
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 41 A new rule brought in by the ICC in the ODI matches has made ways for huge individual and team scores in the recently concluded India-Australia series? What is the rule?

1) Having five fielders inside the circle at any point of time
2) Having five fielders outside the circle at any point of time
3) Having four fielders inside the circle at any point of time
4) Having four fielders outside the circle at any point of time
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 42 The British Prime Minister David Cameron, during his visit to India, announced the scrapping of the controversial visa bond imposed by UK on visitors from some Asian and African countries including India of

1) 1,000 pound **2)** 2,000 pound
3) 3,000 pound **4)** 4,000 pound
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 43 Indian soldiers participated in a 10-day anti-terror exercise code-named 'Hand-in-Hand 2013' with the soldiers of which of the following countries recently?

1) US **2)** Russia
3) Israel **4)** China
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 44 Which of the following struggling smartphone makers has pulled back its proposal to sell its phone business recently?

1) Blackberry **2)** Motorola
3) Nokia **4)** HTC
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 45 In which of the following countries 152 soldiers have been sentenced to death for 2009 mutiny in one of the world's biggest ever mass criminal trials recently?

1) Sri Lanka **2)** Egypt
3) Bangladesh **4)** Indonesia

5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 46 Nirupama Rao bid farewell to her diplomatic career recently. She last served as India's envoy to which of the following countries?

1) US **2)** Sri Lanka
3) China **4)** Brazil
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 47 The noted film director and screenplay writer D Rajendra Babu died recently. He used to make films mainly in which of the following languages?

1) Telugu **2)** Kannada
3) Tamil **4)** Malayalam
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 48 Nancy Powell is ambassador of which of the following countries to India?

1) US **2)** UK
3) Germany **4)** France
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 49 What is the expanded form of the term FIPB?

1) Foreign Industry Promotion Board **2)** Foreign Investment Promotion Board
3) Foreign Investment Processing Board **4)** Foreign Intervention Prevention Board
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 50 Which of the following public broadcasters completed 10 successful years in service recently?

1) AIR **2)** DD National
3) DD Urdu **4)** DD NEWS
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 51 Which of the following Indian mobile operators has started offering Apple's iPhone 5s and iPhone 5c phones at monthly instalments with free unlimited call and data usages?

1) Airtel **2)** Idea
3) Aircel **4)** Reliance Communications
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 52 The Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) has got its first female managing director (MD) recently. Name the new female MD of LIC?

1) Usha Ananthasubramanian **2)** Vinita Bali
3) Usha Sangwan **4)** Usha Thorat
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 53 The four-member advisory committee set up by the Reserve Bank of India to vet the new bank licence applications is expected to complete the process in early 2014. Who among the following is heading the committee?

1) Bimal Jalan **2)** Nachiket Mor
3) D Subbarao **4)** C Rangarajan
5) Y Venugopal Reddy **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 54 Which of the following companies is preparing to takeover the Europe's largest mobile carrier Vodafone in 2014?

1) Google **2)** AT&T
3) China Mobile **4)** Bharti Airtel
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 55 Which of the following agencies has launched a nationwide campaign named 'Take the Poo to Loo' in India in an effort to raise awareness against open defecation and related health issues?

1) USAIDS **2)** WHO
3) Red Cross **4)** UNICEF

5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 56 The legendary singer Reshma passed away recently. She belonged to which of the following countries?

1) Bangladesh **2)** Pakistan
3) India **4)** Afghanistan
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 57 What is the expanded form of the term WEF?

1) World Environment Forum **2)** World Ecology Forum
3) World Education Forum **4)** World Economic Forum
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 58 The book titled 'The Signature of All Things' has been authored by

1) Elizabeth Gilbert **2)** Shashi Deshpande
3) Margaret Atwood **4)** William Boyd
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 59 Consider the following with respect to RBI's decision to allow foreign banks to buy local lenders and choose the incorrect statement:

1) The RBI has proposed wholly-owned subsidiary route for foreign banks, as compared to existing branch model.
2) Currently, foreign investors can hold up to 100% of a bank's stake both through foreign direct investment as well as portfolio investment, but no single entity can own more than 5% stake in a local bank.
3) Foreign banks which commenced banking business in India before August 2010 will have the option to continue their banking business through the branch mode.
4) The initial minimum paid-up voting equity capital for a wholly-owned subsidiary is pegged at Rs 500 crore for new entrants.
5) The priority sector lending requirement is kept at par with domestic banks, which is 40% of net adjusted bank credit (of previous year).
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 60 What is the term used for the goods that are used in producing other goods, rather than being bought by consumers?

1) White goods **2)** Brown goods
3) Capital goods **4)** Utility goods
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 61 India suspended a two decade-old tax benefits pact with which of the following countries recently saying the European nation has "not been providing" information to authorities here that are trying to track down black money?

1) Croatia **2)** Cyprus
3) Belgium **4)** Austria
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 62 India suspended a two decade-old tax benefits pact with which of the following countries recently saying the European nation has "not been providing" information to authorities here that are trying to track down black money?

1) Croatia **2)** Cyprus
3) Belgium **4)** Austria
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 63 The IRCON International Limited was selected as the Top Infrastructure Company under the category Construction Infrastructure Development at the "Dun and Bradstreet Infra Awards 2013" recently. This PSU comes under

1) Ministry of Road Transport and Highways **2)** Ministry of Commerce and Industry
3) Ministry of Civil Aviation **4)** The Ministry of Railways
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 64 Who among the following has won the Abu Dhabi Grand Prix recently?

1) Lewis Hamilton **2)** Fernando Alonso
3) Sebastian Vettel **4)** Mark Webber
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 65 The International Day of Rural Women is observed on which of the following dates internationally?

1) 15 Sep **2)** 15 Oct
3) 15 Nov **4)** 15 Dec
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 66 India and the US navies are all set to begin their joint naval exercise in the Indian Ocean named

1) Goa exercise **2)** Malabar exercise
3) Kandla exercise **4)** Lakshadweep exercise
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 67 The UN owes $80 m to which of the following countries, the most it has to pay to any country, for costs relating to peacekeeping operations?

1) Rwanda **2)** Pakistan
3) Bangladesh **4)** Ethiopia
5) India **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 68 William C Lowe, who died recently, is known as

1) The father of IBM personal computer **2)** The father of Apple personal computer
3) The father of HP personal computer **4)** The father of Dell personal computer
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 69 Six major central banks have announced to convert their "temporary bilateral liquidity swap arrangements" into standing arrangements to deal with future global financial strains. Which of the following banks in NOT among them?

1) Bank of England **2)** European Central Bank
3) US Federal Reserve **4)** Reserve Bank of India
5) The Bank of Japan **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 70 Which of the following is the first country in South Asia to approve the cultivation of the genetically modified food crops with approving the commercial cultivation of transgenic Bt brinjal?

1) India **2)** Bangladesh
3) Pakistan **4)** Myanmar
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 71 The book titled 'The Shadow of the Crescent Moon' is authored by

1) Jhumpa Lahiri **2)** Amish Tripathi
3) Fatima Bhutto **4)** Ravi Subramanian
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 72 Which of the following countries has been ranked on the top in the recently released Expat Explorer survey report by HSBC Holdings PLC?

1) China **2)** Thailand
3) India **4)** Singapore
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 73 As per the figures released by the Union ministry of communication and information technology, which of the following states in India has the lowest overall teledensity in the country (just 34.33)?

1) Bihar **2)** West Bengal
3) Uttar Pradesh **4)** Odisha
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 74 Which of the following countries has released Dengue-Blocking Mosquito recently? Dengue is one of the

world's most menacing infectious diseases.

1) Japan
2) Vietnam
3) Spain
4) China
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 75 Expand the term IPCC.

1) International Panel on Climate Change
2) Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
3) Intergovernmental Panel on Chemical Control
4) International Panel on Chemical Control
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 76 The govt has approved the launch of a new Integrated Processing Development Scheme (IPDS) for textile sector. Which of the following is NOT correct in this regard?

1) The scheme has been launched to address the environmental concerns faced by textile units.
2) The scheme has been launched with a total cost of Rs 500 crore in the 12th Plan.
3) Under the scheme, four to six brown-field projects and three to five green-field projects would be set up.
4) The scheme will facilitate the textile industry to become globally competitive, using environment-friendly processing standards and technology.
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 77 As per the Draft National Sports Development Bill 2013, which of the following sports federations will have the right to use 'India' as the team name?

1) Those who come under the RTI ambit
2) Those who are using the word 'India' since 1947.
3) Those who are the only representative of the concerned sport.
4) Those who have earned international recognition for India.
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 78 As announced by the Penguin Books India, who among the following renowned personalities will deliver 2013 Penguin Lecture, which has featured some of the world's most respected leaders, thinkers and writers over the years?

1) Lata Mangeshkar
2) APJ Abdul Kalam
3) Amitabh Bachchan
4) Bill Clinton
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 79 What is India's rank in the 2013 World Prosperity Index ranking 142 countries compiled by London-based Legatum Institute recently?

1) 51
2) 60
3) 102
4) 103
5) 106
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 80 Who among the following has penned the book 'Ignited Minds: Unleashing the Power Within India'?

1) Arun Tiwari
2) Chetan Bhagatx
3) APJ Abdul Kalam
4) Robin S Sharma
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 81 The World Standards Day is observed on which of the following dates?

1) 14 Sep
2) 14 Oct
3) 14 Nov
4) 14 Dec
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 82 According to the report released by the World Meteorological Organisation (WMO), the amount of greenhouse gases in Earth's atmosphere hit a new record high in 2012. Which of the following gases comes under the category of greenhouse gases?

1) Carbon Dioxide
2) Methane
3) Nitrous Oxide
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 83 Which of the following high courts in India ruled that the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) is

unconstitutional recently? The Supreme Court of India has stayed the order.

1) Patna High Court **2)** Guwahati High Court
3) Allahabad High Court **4)** Delhi High Court
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 84 The reverse mortgage scheme floated by banks is aimed at which of the following categories of customers?

1) Students **2)** Young professionals
3) Women **4)** Senior citizen
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 85 Recently released film Ram-Leela has been directed by who among the following?

1) Subhash Ghai **2)** Sanjay Leela Bhansali
3) Anurag Kashyap **4)** Anurag Basu
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 86 India won the first Test match played between India and West Indies at Eden Garden recently. With this win India has made a record of winning ____Test matches in a row.

1) three **2)** four
3) five **4)** six
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 87 Who among the following has authored the book titled 'Fifty Shades Darker'? It is the second novel in the trilogy 'Fifty Shades of Gray'.

1) Margaret Atwood **2)** William Boyd
3) Elizabeth Gilbert **4)** EL James
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 88 A year-long celebration to mark the 150th birth anniversary of Lakshminath Bezbruah kick started in New Delhi recently. He was a literature pioneer belonging to

1) Arunachal Pradesh **2)** Assam
3) Sikkim **4)** West Bengal
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 89 Which of the following cricketers had become the first victim of the third umpire system adopted by the ICC in 1992?

1) Shane Warne **2)** Sachin Tendulkar
3) Steve Waugh **4)** Brian Lara
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 90 The women's hockey team of India lost to which of the following teams in the final of the Asian Championships in New Delhi recently?

1) Malaysia **2)** Japan
3) Bangladesh **4)** Indonesia
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 91 The super typhoon 'Haiyan', one of the most powerful storms ever recorded, hit which of the following countries recently killing at least 10,000 people?

1) Vietnam **2)** China
3) Japan **4)** Philippines
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 92 Which of the following countries has topped the recently launched 2013 World Prosperity Index which ranks 142 countries? The Index evaluates nations in eight categories, including education, health, economy, safety and security.

1) Norway **2)** China

3) India
4) Australia
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 93 What is the name of India's first inter-planetary mission to Mars which was launched successfully recently?

1) Mangalayaan
2) Mangaladoot
3) Mangalamover
4) Mangala Rover
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 94 Which of the following cricketers has been ranked numero uno in the Reliance ICC Player Ranking for Test all-rounders released recently?

1) Ravindra Jadeja
2) Ravichandran Ashwin
3) Shakib Al Hasan
4) Jacques Kallis
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 95 Which of the following is not a member country of the European Union?

1) Austria
2) Greece
3) Hungary
4) Belgium
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 96 Which of the following countries is all set to take the tradition Arab seat on the UN Security Council after Saudi Arabia rejected the position recently?

1) Jordan
2) UAE
3) Iraq
4) Iran
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 97 The Prime Minister Manmohan Singh announced an interim assistance of Rs 1,000 cr for Andhra Pradesh recently. What amount did Odisha get for the same?

1) Rs 1,000 cr
2) Rs 1,200 cr
3) Rs 1,500 cr
4) Rs 1,800 cr
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 98 Expand the term DIPP.

1) Department of Institutional Policy and Promotion
2) Department of Industrial Practices and Promotion
3) Department of Industrial Policy and Production
4) Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 99 Alan Mulally, who's name has been included in the shortlist of candidates to select the next CEO of Microsoft, is the current CEO of

1) General Motors
2) Ford Motors
3) Renault
4) Toyota Motors
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 100 The RBI released a new framework for foreign banks operating in India recently. Which of the following is correct with respect to the benefit these banks will receive?

1) These banks will be treated at near parity with Indian private banks in opening branches
2) Permission to open a branch in a tier-1 centre for every branch in tier-(2-6) centre
3) Permission to enter into M&A deals with Indian private banks
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 101 Ace sportsperson Gaganjeet Bhullar is associated with which of the following games?

1) Billiards
2) Golf
3) Table tennis
4) Squash
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 102 Who among the following will represent India in the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) in Sri Lanka?

1) Manmohan Singh
2) Pranab Mukherjee
3) Salman Khurshid
4) P Chidambaram
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 103 As per the provisions of the Mahatma Gandhi National Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), what fraction of those given employment should be women?

1) two-third
2) half
3) one-third
4) one-fourth
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 104 Who among the following had given the title, 'Father of the Nation', to Mahatma Gandhi?

1) Rabindranath Tagore
2) Subhas Chandra Bose
3) Jawaharlal Nehru
4) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 105 Who among the following has won the 50th edition of the Indian Open golf tournament recently?

1) Gaganjeet Bhullar
2) Anirban Lahiri
3) Mohammad Siddikur
4) SSP Chowrasia
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 106 'Smarte Trekk' is the autobiography of which of the following chess maestros?

1) Viswanathan Anand
2) Magnus Carlsen
3) Levon Aronian
4) Vladimir Kramnik
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 107 Expand the term FPI.

1) Foreign Provisional Investors
2) Foreign Portfolio Investors
3) Foreign Proportional Investors
4) Foreign Priority Investors
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 108 Which of the following incomes is exempt from income-tax as per the prevailing rules in India as of now?

1) The salary of govt employees
2) The income derived by medical practices
3) The agricultural income
4) The income derived from export of goods
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 109 The govt has ordered to investigate the foreign funding to which of the following political parties in India after receiving complaints in this regard recently?

1) BJP
2) BSP
3) AAP
4) NCP
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 110 Heena Sidhu won gold medal in the ISSF World Cup Final in Munich, Germany recently. She is the first _____of the country to achieve the feat.

1) Air pistol shooter
2) Air rifle shooter
3) Archer
4) Short putter
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 111 Which of the following investigation agencies of India completed fifty years in operation recently?

1) Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)
2) National Investigation Agency (NIA)
3) Research and Analysis Wing (R&AW)
4) Intelligence Bureau (IB)
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 112 The Microsoft Corporation has announced recently to discontinue its support to which of the following operating systems on 8 Apr 2014?

1) Windows 98 **2)** Windows XP
3) Windows NT **4)** Windows 7
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 113 Which of the following is not a regulatory body?

1) FMC **2)** SEBI
3) PFRDA **4)** IRDA
5) None of these **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 114 The term 'NOTA' is associated with

1) An international treaty **2)** Anti-tobacco campaign
3) Nuclear non-proliferation **4)** A voting option
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 115 The 'Canvas Turbo' is the latest smartphone launched in India by

1) Samsung **2)** LG
3) Micromax **4)** Lenovo
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 116 The Hero Motocorp has announced to sponsor the Junior Hockey World Cup (Under-21) to be played from Dec 6-15 in

1) New Delhi **2)** Kolkata
3) Chennai **4)** Chandigarh
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 117 Who among the following won the ATP World Tour Finals in London recently?

1) Novak Djokovic **2)** Rafael Nadal
3) Roger Federer **4)** David Marrero
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 118 India announced itself free form which of the following diseases recently as there has been no occurrence of the disease in the last three months in the country which is the international norm for such declaration?

1) Swine Flu **2)** Bird Flu
3) Polio **4)** Cowpox
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 119 Expand the term NSIC.

1) National Scheduled Industries Corporation **2)** National Sugar Industries Corporation
3) National Small Industries Corporation **4)** National Software Industries Corporation
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 120 The book 'Foreign' has been authored by

1) Sonora Jha **2)** Supriya Dravid
3) Shamsur Rahman Faruqi **4)** Nitya Ramakrishnan
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 121 The International Day for Tolerance is observed on which of the following dates?

1) 14 Nov **2)** 15 Nov
3) 16 Nov **4)** 18 Nov
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 122 The world diabetes day is observed on which of the following dates?

1) 14 Nov **2)** 16 Nov
3) 18 Nov **4)** 20 Nov
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 123 The interest rate on the savings deposits is decided by

1) The RBI
2) Banks
3) IBA
4) Market forces
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 124 The book 'The Mirror of Beauty' has been authored by

1) Nitya Ramakrishnan
2) Supriya Dravid
3) Shamsur Rahman Faruqi
4) Sonora Jha
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 125 Expand the term BIFR.

1) Board for Industrial and Financial Restructuring
2) Board for Industrial and Farm-loan Reconstruction
3) Board for International Financial Reconstruction
4) Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 126 Who among the following has been sworn in as the new president of Maldives recently?

1) Mohamed Nasheed
2) Qasim Ibrahim
3) Mohammed Waheed Hassan
4) Yameen Abdul Gayoom
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 127 The cricket legend Sachin Tendulkar and acclaimed scientist C N R Rao have been chosen for which of the following prestigious civilian awards of the country recently?

1) Bharat Ratna
2) Desh Ratna
3) Padma Vibhushan
4) Padma Shree
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 128 Doris Lessing, who died recently, was a Nobel prize-winner and a/an

1) Author
2) Economist
3) Physicist
4) Chemist
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 129 In which of the following countries, a deadly plane crash took place recently killing at least 50 people? The 23-year old plane or pilot error is seen as the likely cause for the disaster.

1) US
2) Israel
3) Russia
4) Egypt
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 130 Which of the following countries has unveiled its latest drone plane named 'Fotros' which has an operational range of 2,000 kilometres and can fly at an altitude of 25,000 feet?

1) Israel
2) Iran
3) China
4) Japan
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 131 Two volcanoes, Mount Sinabung and Merapi, erupted in which of the following countries recently?

1) Spain
2) Italy
3) Philippines
4) Indonesia
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 132 Michel Martelly is the present president of which of the following countries? The protesters in his country are rallying demanding his resignation.

1) Haiti
2) Estonia
3) Nigeria
4) Algeria
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 133 The Jamaican sprinters Usain Bolt has been crowned the Male World Athletes of the Year, 2013. Who

among the following has been awarded the Female World Athletes of the Year 2013?

1) Allyson Felix
2) Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce
3) Carmelita Jeter
4) Veronica Campbell-Brown
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 134 Relaxing a condition for exports of the sugar, the govt has increased the upper limit per application for registration for the same from existing 25,000 tonnes to

1) 50,000 tonnes
2) 60,000 tonnes
3) 70,000 tonnes
4) 80,000 tonnes
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 135 The game between World Championship defender Viswanathan Anand and who among the following is going on in Chennai? The first to score six points in a total of twelve games will be declared the World Champion.

1) Vladimir Kramnik
2) Levon Aronian
3) Veselin Topalov
4) Magnus Carlsen
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 136 Which of the following is correct with respect to a nuclear non-proliferation programme between US and Russia which ended recently?

1) It was a 20-year program to convert highly enriched uranium from dismantled Russian nuclear weapons into fuel for the US power plants.
2) The programme is commonly known as 'Megatons to Megawatts' and is one of the most successful nuclear nonproliferation partnerships ever undertaken.
3) The agreement gave Russia the financial incentive to dismantle thousands of nuclear weapons.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 137 The completely refurbished 44,500 tonne carrier Admiral Gorshkov has been commissioned into the Indian Navy recently rechristened as

1) INS Vikramaditya
2) INS Viraat
3) INS Vikrant
4) INS Vidhvanshak
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 138 The UN general assembly filled 14 vacant seats on the 47-member Human Rights Council recently for a three-year period beginning on 1 Jan 2014. Which of the following is not among the newly elected countries?

1) Cuba
2) Saudi Arabia
3) UK
4) Maldives
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 139 The National Integration Day is observed every year on the birthday anniversary of the first woman prime minister of the India, Indira Gandhi, which falls on

1) 14 Nov
2) 17 Nov
3) 19 Nov
4) 21 Nov
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 140 The US President Barack Obama has nominated who among the following Indian-American for the post of Surgeon General? He would be the first-ever Indian-American to occupy this post and also the youngest ever Surgeon General of the US.

1) Bharat Desai
2) Vivek Murthy
3) Vinod Khosla
4) Kavitark Ram Shriram
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 141 Who among the following has been given the 'International Indian of the Decade' award by the India Link International for his outstanding achievements in the fields of industry, education and philanthropy?

1) Anil Agarwal
2) Lakshmi Mittal
3) Lord Paul
4) Ravi Ruia

5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 142 Which of the following countries has topped in terms of Twitter penetration in a recent study?

1) India **2)** Iran
3) Saudi Arabia **4)** Indonesia
5) US **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 143 Who among the following is slated to be the next President of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce (FICCI) in 2014?

1) Anil Ambani **2)** Siddhartha Birla
3) Sunil Bharti Mittal **4)** Kumar Mangalam Birla
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 144 India has received second of the eight P-8I aircrafts recently from the American defence major Boeing. This aircraft will be used in the

1) heavy lift transportation **2)** anti-Maoist missions
3) weather forecasting **4)** long-range maritime reconnaissance and anti-submarine warfare
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 145 Which of the following articles of the Indian Constitution belonging to Andhra Pradesh need to be amended to make way for the bifurcation of the state?

1) Article 371(D) **2)** Article 370
3) Article 368 **4)** Article 329(A)
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 146 China has launched the most radical reform blitz in more than 30 years termed as “mixed ownership economy” recently. Which of the following is/are not a feature of the new reforms?

1) Vowing to break the suffocating grip of the giant state-owned companies **2)** Sweeping away a tangle of price controls
3) Moving towards convertibility of the Yuan **4)** Introducing caps on interest rates
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 147 Who among the following has been appointed as the chairperson and managing director (CMD) of the first Bharatiya Mahila Bank?

1) Naina Lal Kidwai **2)** Shikha Sharma
3) Usha Ananthasubramanian **4)** Usha Sangwan
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 148 What is mis-selling?

1) Selling a product which is not suitable for buyer’s needs **2)** Selling a bad product
3) Selling a new product to an existing customer **4)** Preventing buyers from buying products of their choice
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 149 As per the deputy governor of Reserve Bank of India (RBI), KC Chakrabarty, banks in India have written off a whopping _____in the past 13 years.

1) Rs 1 trillion **2)** Rs 1.5 trillion
3) Rs 2 trillion **4)** Rs 2.5 trillion
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 150 India is in process to develop fourth generation of the anti-tank missile Javelins in association with which of the following countries?

1) US **2)** Israel
3) Russia **4)** France
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 151 Who among the following has been chosen to be awarded the coveted Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament and Development for 2013?

1) David Cameron
2) Barack Obama
3) Angela Merkel
4) Hillary Rodham Clinton
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 152 The 22nd Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) was held in Colombo, Sri Lanka Sri Lanka recently. The next CHOGM will be held in 2015 in

1) Mauritius
2) Malta
3) Maldives
4) Myanmar
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 153 The Reserve Bank of India has directed public sector banks to provide credit to women self help groups at what rate so as to get the benefit of interest subvention scheme under the Swarnajayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana Aajeevika (SGSY) scheme?

1) 3% pc pa
2) 5% pc pa
3) 7% pc pa
4) 8% pc pa
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 154 Which of the following is NOT correct about recently launched Bharatiya Mahila Bank?

1) The first commercial bank exclusively for women has been started with 7 branches.
2) It has been set up with an initial paid-up capital of Rs 1,000 crore.
3) Usha Ananthasubramanian has been appointed the first CMD of the bank.
4) According to the bank's business plan, the bank envisages a business mix (deposits plus advances) of Rs 60,000 crore with 771 branches by 2020.
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 155 The Paris-based Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) has pegged Indian economy to grow at what per cent in the current financial year on market prices?

1) 3.2 per cent
2) 3.4 per cent
3) 4.3 per cent
4) 5.1 per cent
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 156 Who among the following has been given the European Union (EU)'s prestigious Sakharov Prize 2013 recently?

1) Hillary Clinton
2) Aung San Suu Kyi
3) Malala Yousafzai
4) Angela Merkel
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 157 The two time Nobel Prize winner British scientist Frederick Sanger died recently. He

1) is the only person to win the Nobel Prize for Chemistry twice
2) is known as the 'father of genomics'
3) contributed greatly in the field of biochemistry
4) All the above
5) Only 2) and 3)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 158 What does MAT stands for, a tax which is levied on corporates on their 'book profits'?

1) Minimum Alternate Tax
2) Maximum Alternate Tax
3) Medium Alternate Tax
4) Marginal Alternate Tax
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 159 The integrated industrial hub of Sri City attracted some 100 firms with investments worth Rs 12,000 crore recently. The hub is situated in the state of

1) Gujarat
2) Rajasthan
3) Tamil Nadu
4) Andhra Pradesh
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 160 The book titled 'Prophet of Love' has been authored by

1) Rajmohan Gandhi
2) Farrukh Dhondy
3) FS Aijazuddin
4) Sudhir Kakar
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 161 The Ashes cricket tournament is scheduled to begin in Nov 2013. The famed cricket tournament is played between which of the following countries?

1) Australia and South Africa
2) West Indies and Australia
3) England and Australia
4) England and South Africa
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 162 Which of the following statements is/are NOT correct with respect to the 22nd Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) held in Colombo, Sri Lanka recently?

1) The theme of the meet was 'Growth with Equity: Inclusive Development'.
2) The event concluded with the adoption of the independent declarations - on Youth, International Trade and Inclusive Development.
3) The next CHOGM will be held in 2015 in Malta.
4) The Indian delegation to CHOGM was led by the Prime Minister of India, Manmohan Singh.
5) 27 heads of Government had attended the event from the 50 member Countries.
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 163 Which of the following statements is/are correct about the Swarnajayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana Aajeevika (SGSY) scheme?

1) The SGSY scheme comes under the Ministry of HRD.
2) The RBI has directed PSBs to provide credit to women SHGs at 7 per cent interest rate for all loans up to Rs 3 lakh on or after Dec 1, 2013.
3) The RBI has announced that SHGs will be given an additional 3% subvention on prompt repayment of loan.
4) Only 1) and 3)
5) Only 2) and 3)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 164 Which of the following film personalities has been conferred with the 'Centenary Awards for Indian Film Personality of the Year' at the International Film Festival of India 2013 recently?

1) Amitabh Bachchan
2) Hema Malini
3) Waheeda Rehman
4) Dilip Kumar
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 165 According to a recent report by the World Bank, what per cent of Indian households defecate in the open at present?

1) 33 per cent
2) 43 per cent
3) 53 per cent
4) 63 per cent
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 166 Which of the following has emerged as the India's top-notch brand in banking and financial services industry (BFSI) category in a survey by a brand intelligence company?

1) ICICI
2) LIC of India
3) SBI
4) Axis Bank
5) HDFC Bank
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 167 India launched its maiden mars mission recently. Which of the following countries has not launched such mission to mars till date?

1) Russia
2) US
3) China
4) Japan
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 168 India and which of the following countries has signed an accord for mutual recognition of educational qualifications recently?

1) Trinidad and Tobago
2) Mauritius

3) Fiji
4) Indonesia
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 169 The book 'Wings of Fire: An Autobiography' has been authored by

1) APJ Abdul Kalam, Arun Tiwari
2) Robin S Sharma
3) Anand Neelakantan
4) Devdutt Pattnaik
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 170 Which of the following countries has passed a bill called the HOPE Act that allows scientists to carry out research into organ donations from one person with HIV to another recently?

1) UK
2) US
3) Japan
4) Germany
5) South Africa
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 171 A US jury awarded Apple Inc about $290 million in a damages retrial against which of the following phone makers recently?

1) LG
2) HTC
3) Motorola
4) Samsung
5) Blackberry
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 172 Name the Indian batsman who reached a rare milestone when he became the joint fastest batsman along with Viv Richards to reach the 5000-run mark in ODI cricket recently.

1) Suresh Raina
2) Rohit Sharma
3) Virat Kohli
4) Mahendra Singh Dhoni
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 173 The National Education Day is observed every year on which of the following dates?

1) 11 Nov
2) 12 Nov
3) 15 Nov
4) 19 Nov
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 174 The Department of Telecom (DoT) has doubled penalty provision on companies whose mobile towers will be found violating radiation emission levels to _____.

1) Rs 5 lakh
2) Rs 10 lakh
3) Rs 15 lakh
4) Rs 20 lakh
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 175 The cyclone called 'Helen' hit the coastline of which of the following Indian states recently?

1) Gujarat
2) Andhra Pradesh
3) Maharashtra
4) Tamil Nadu
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 176 Who among the following has dethroned India's five-time title holder Viswanathan Anand as the World Champion recently?

1) Veselin Topalov
2) Garry Kasparov
3) Vladimir Kramnik
4) Magnus Carlsen
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 177 The two-day third edition of the biennial BRICS International Competition Conference was organised in which of the following countries recently?

1) South Africa
2) China
3) India
4) Brazil
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 178 Tarun Tejpal, who is facing rape charge following an allegation by a journalist colleague, is the editor of which of the following magazines?

1) Tehelka
2) India Today

3) Outlook **4)** Frontline
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 179 Who among the following has taken over as the new chairman of the 20th Law Commission of India?

1) DK Jain **2)** Ajit Prakash Shah
3) Markandey Katju **4)** KG Balakrishnan
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 180 Which of the following countries has offered six oil and gas blocks to India's ONGC Videsh Ltd without bidding in South China Sea recently?

1) Philippines **2)** Vietnam
3) Thailand **4)** Myanmar
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 181 Which of the following countries has been ranked on the top spot in the financial secrecy index (FSI), unveiled by the Tax Justice Network recently?

1) Singapore **2)** Luxembourg
3) Switzerland **4)** China
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 182 Mexico has announced to award its 2013 International Prize for Equality and Non-Discrimination to who among the following?

1) Barack Obama **2)** Malala Yousafzai
3) Hillary Clinton **4)** Sachin Tendulkar
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 183 Justice Ajay Manikrao Khanwilkar has been sworn in as the 22nd Chief Justice of which of the following High Courts recently?

1) Gauhati High Court **2)** Madhya Pradesh High Court
3) Himachal Pradesh High Court **4)** Jammu and Kashmir High Court
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 184 Which of the following countries has emerged as the most attractive investment destination in the world in a global survey of leading consultancy firm EY recently?

1) US **2)** China
3) Indonesia **4)** India
5) South Africa **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 185 Which of the following international blocs has pledged to contribute substantially for the socio-economic growth of the North East region at a two-day North East Business Summit in Dibrugarh, Assam recently?

1) ASEAN **2)** SAARC
3) BRICS **4)** SCO
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 186 Who among the following has won the Formula One's season-ending Brazilian Grand Prix recently?

1) Sebastian Vettel **2)** Kimi Raikkonen
3) Lewis Hamilton **4)** Mark Webber
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 187 India donated 2,500 metric tonnes of wheat, worth USD 2 million, to which of the following countries recently?

1) Ethiopia **2)** Chad
3) Kenya **4)** Yemen
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 188 The book 'Scandal Point' has been authored by who among the following?

1) Fahad Samar **2)** FS Aijazuddin

3) Talmiz Ahmad
4) Sudhir Kakar
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 189 Expand the term CBEC.

1) Central Board for Export and Customs
2) Central Board of Excise and Cess
3) Central Board of Excise and Customs
4) Central Board for Export Consultation
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 190 The first ever UN-endorsed World Toilet Day was observed recently on which of the following dates?

1) 17 Nov
2) 19 Nov
3) 21 Nov
4) 23 Nov
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 191 The fourth edition of the biennial BRICS International Competition Conference would be held in which of the following countries?

1) South Africa
2) India
3) Brazil
4) China
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 192 The two day long Global Islamic Economic Summit (GIES) was organised recently at which of the following places?

1) Kuala Lumpur
2) Dubai
3) Amman
4) Doha
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 193 The International Day for Elimination of Violence Against Women is observed on

1) 19 Nov
2) 21 Nov
3) 25 Nov
4) 27 Nov
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 194 The GAGAN system is set to begin initial operations by Dec end. Which of the following statements is/are correct about the system?

1) It stands for GPS Aided Geo Augmented Navigation.
2) This system will create straight and direct air routes, vastly improve precise take-offs and landings and save five per cent of airlines' fuel bills.
3) It will also benefit banking and financial networks, power grids, precision agriculture, as well as land, sea and air transport.
4) All the above
5) Only 2) and 3)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 195 As announced by the Union Finance Minister P Chidambaram recently, the Centre has allocated what amount for the skill development of 10 lakh youth in the current fiscal?

1) Rs 1,000 cr
2) Rs 2,000 cr
3) Rs 5,000 cr
4) Rs 10,000 cr
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 196 The Madras High Court has given its nod to the GAIL's pipeline project connection two states recently? Which of the following state govts halted the project citing farmers' opposition as the reason?

1) Kerala
2) Karnataka
3) Tamil Nadu
4) Andhra Pradesh
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 197 India is the world's largest consumer of sugar. What is its position in the field of production of the same?

1) First
2) Second
3) Third
4) Fourth
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 198 The RBI widened infrastructure sector lending sub-category recently. Which of the following sectors qualify for the infrastructure lending?

1) Communication
2) Water & Sanitation
3) Energy
4) Transport
5) All the above
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 199 The Constitution Day is celebrated across the country on which of the following dates as the constitution was adopted by the Constituent Assembly on this day?

1) 20 Nov
2) 22 Nov
3) 24 Nov
4) 26 Nov
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 200 The President Pranab Mukherjee inaugurated 10-day Hornbill festival and took part in the 50th anniversary celebration of statehood of _____recently.

1) Assam
2) Manipur
3) Tripura
4) Nagaland
5) Meghalaya
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 201 India and which of the following countries signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to strengthen co-operation in public administration and governance as part of the efforts to enhance their strategic partnership recently?

1) Indonesia
2) Thailand
3) Malaysia
4) Singapore
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 202 Which of the following is correct with regard to the RBI's recent decision to widen infrastructure sector lending sub-category?

1) It has widened the definition of infrastructure lending including hotels with project costing less than Rs 100 cr.
2) It has widened the definition of infrastructure lending including convention centres with project worth Rs 300 cr.
3) The new sub-sectors will be eligible for lending by banks and select All India Term-Lending and Refinancing Institutions under infrastructure category.
4) All the above
5) Only 2) and 3)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 203 Who among the following in the only Indian political leader shortlisted by the Time magazine for its Person of the Year title?

1) Sonia Gandhi
2) Narendra Modi
3) Rahul Gandhi
4) Nitish Kumar
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 204 Who among the following has won the World Cup of Golf recently?

1) Anirban Lahiri
2) SSP Chowrasia
3) Mohammad Siddikur
4) Jason Day
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 205 The BARC and Electronics Corporation of India (ECIL) have launched a tele-distress alarm device, which once activated could send SMSes to five chosen contacts about the user's location through the mobile. Name the device.

1) Aparajita
2) Shakti
3) Indira
4) Nirbhaya
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 206 The tech giant Microsoft is working to advance a technology that will be capable of reading sign language and translate into its motion-sensing vocabulary to help the deaf users. Name the technology.

1) Super Ear
2) Kinect

3) Sign Sense **4)** Wave
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 207 The country's first fully privately-financed developed metro system has been launched in the public-private partnership mode in _____recently.

1) Gurgaon **2)** Mumbai
3) Bangalore **4)** Jaipur
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 208 The Indian Air Force has chosen which of the following fighter jets to mount BrahMos missiles, the first test launch of which will be carried out by 2014-end?

1) Jaguar **2)** Mirage 2000
3) Sukhoi-30 **4)** Rafale
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 209 The book titled 'Courage and Conviction' has been authored by

1) VP Malik **2)** Stephen King
3) Sumit Chakraberty **4)** VK Singh
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 210 Expand the term MFI.

1) Market Finance Institution **2)** Medium Finance Institution
3) Micro Finance Institution **4)** Mega Finance Institution
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 211 Under its ambitious Zero Landless (Citizens) Project, the state of Kerala aims to make itself a zero-landless (citizens) state by

1) 2014 **2)** 2015
3) 2016 **4)** 2017
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 212 The Delhi Police arrested one of its masterminds of Speak Asia, a company that came under the lens of investigative agencies for allegedly raising money from a large number of people, under the garb of running an online survey company. The company was based in

1) Singapore **2)** China
3) UK **4)** US
5) Japan **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 213 Who among the following has been voted greatest ever Spanish sports personality recently by readers of Spanish sports daily Diario Marca?

1) Diaz Miguel **2)** Rafael Nadal
3) Telmo Zarra **4)** Ricardo Zamora
5) Severiano Ballasteros **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 214 Assessees paying excise duty and service tax of what amount will have to mandatorily pay the levies electronically with effect from Jan 2014?

1) Rs 1 lakh **2)** Rs 2 lakh
3) Rs 5 lakh **4)** Rs 10 lakh
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 215 Who among the following has been appointed the new army chief of Pakistan?

1) Haroon Aslam **2)** Ashfaq Parvez Kayani
3) Rashid Mehmood **4)** Raheel Sharif
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 216 Department of Telecom (DoT) is in process to launch a new toll-free number for telecom subscribers to register their complaints directly with it. What is the number?

1) 1031 **2)** 1033
3) 1035 **4)** 1037
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 217 Who among the following has been named the WTA Player of the Year 2013?

1) Li Na **2)** Maria Sharapova
3) Serena Williams **4)** Victoria Azarenka
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 218 At a time when 16,000-odd trial courts, 21 high courts and the Supreme Court are battling with over three crore pending cases, a nationwide simultaneous holding of lok adalats recently achieved a world record by disposing of around _____cases within eight hours.

1) 35 lakh **2)** 25 lakh
3) 15 lakh **4)** 5 lakh
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 219 India successfully test-fired its Dhanush ballistic missile recently. The nuclear-capable surface-to-surface missile is a naval variant of India's indigenously developed _____missile.

1) Agni **2)** Trishul
3) Aakash **4)** Prithvi
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 220 Which of the following renowned corporate houses of India withdrew its application for new banking licence recently?

1) Tata Sons **2)** Videocon
3) Aditya Birla Group **4)** Anil Ambani Group
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 221 Who among the following has penned a controversy with his autobiography titled 'Drohkaal Kaa Pathik' recently?

1) Lalu Prasad Yadav **2)** Pappu Yadav
3) Jaswant Singh **4)** Shivraj Singh Chauhan
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 222 Which of the following words has been declared Oxford Dictionaries' word of the year?

1) schmeat **2)** olinguito
3) bitcoin **4)** binge-watch
5) Selfie **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 223 The insurance regulator IRDA has started a process to provide unique identity numbers to hospitals. Which of the following is correct about it?

1) In will help identify hospitals and collect information regarding various charges imposed by them on different medical procedures.
2) Working with national accreditation agencies, IRDA will provide identity numbers to hospitals integrated with the pin code of the area and the name of hospitals
3) General insurers have opposed the move saying it will only help customers and will make it difficult for them to add hospitals.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2) **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 224 After the successful launch of the Mars mission, ISRO is now gearing up for Dec 15 GSLV test flight. Who among the following is the chairman of ISRO at present?

1) CNR Rao **2)** G Madhavan Nair
3) K Radhakrishnan **4)** Avinash Chander
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 225 The 19th COP to the Kyoto Protocol concluded in Warsaw, Poland recently. COP stands for

1) Conference of Parties
2) Conference of People
3) Conference on Pollution
4) Conference on Proliferation
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 226 Who among the following has been crowned Miss Universe 2013 at the 62nd edition of the beauty pageant recently?

1) Manasi Moghe
2) Constanza Baez
3) Patricia Yurena Rodriguez
4) Gabriela Isler
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 227 As estimated by the global financial services major, Standard Chartered, which of the following countries is likely to become the third largest economy by 2030?

1) India
2) Nigeria
3) Brazil
4) Indonesia
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 228 Who among the following has been appointed the new chief justice of Pakistan?

1) Tassaduq Hussain Jillani
2) Iftikhar Chaudhary
3) Abdul Hameed Dogar
4) Rana Bhagwandas
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 229 As per the prevailing norms, banks declare an account inoperative if it is not used for what period?

1) Six months
2) One year
3) Two years
4) Five years
5) Never
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 230 India's erstwhile ambassador to the US, Nirupama Rao, retired recently. Who among the following has replaced her?

1) S Jaishankar
2) Virander Paul
3) Meera Shankar
4) PS Raghavan
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 231 The United Nations Day is observed on

1) 24 Oct
2) 26 Oct
3) 28 Oct
4) 30 Oct
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 232 The World AIDS Day is observed on

1) 1 Dec
2) 11 Dec
3) 15 Dec
4) 25 Dec
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 233 Which of the following countries has launched an unmanned lunar probe Chang'e-3 comprising a lander and a Moon rover recently?

1) Japan
2) US
3) Russia
4) China
5) India
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 234 Who among the following has lifted the women's singles title of the Macau Open Grand Prix Gold badminton tournament recently?

1) Saina Nehwal
2) Michelle Li
3) PV Sindhu
4) Wang Shixian
5) Li Xuerui
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 235 In which of the following Asian countries, a deadly protest is going on to topple the incumbent Prime Minister who won no-confidence vote in the countries' parliament recently?

1) Malaysia
2) Philippines
3) Indonesia
4) Thailand
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 236 The Union Petroleum Minister Veerappa Moily inaugurated the first "Synthetic Rubber Plant" of the country at _____recently.

1) Chennai
2) Hyderabad
3) Panipat
4) Mangalore
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 237 The International Day for Abolition of Slavery is observed on

1) 1 Dec
2) 2 Dec
3) 5 Dec
4) 9 Dec
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 238 In which of the following countries, a 50-member panel has approved the draft constitution for a referendum in a transition promised by military rule in the Islamist country?

1) Libya
2) Egypt
3) Yemen
4) Nigeria
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 239 Satyendra Mishra has been appointed as Chairman of which of the following exchanges in the country recently?

1) National Stock Exchange (NSE)
2) Multi Commodity Exchange (MCX)
3) Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE)
4) MCX Stock Exchanged (MCX-SX)
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 240 The Reserve Bank of India (RBI), recently, directed the banks to charge customers for transaction SMS alerts on _____ basis.

1) fixed fee
2) usage
3) free
4) double the actual fee
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 241 Which of the following countries is considering phasing out its over four decades old rice subsidy scheme-“gentan” production adjustment system by March 2019 to bring reforms in agriculture sector?

1) China
2) South Korea
3) Japan
4) Malaysia
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 242 Name the golfer who has scripted history becoming the first India to win Indonesia Open recently?

1) Shiv Kapur
2) Anirban Lahiri
3) Jyoti Randhawa
4) Gaganjeet Bhullar
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 243 Five East African countries have agreed to adopt single currency recently. Which of the following is correct in this regard?

1) These countries are Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Rwanda, and Burundi.
2) These countries are members of the East African Community (EAC) economic group.
3) These countries have signed a protocol for the adoption of a common currency within 2 years.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 244 Name the former Supreme Court judge and the chairman of West Bengal Human Rights Commission, who is facing allegations of sexual harassment from a young woman law intern at present?

1) Justice HL Dattu
2) Justice AK Ganguly
3) Justice RM Lodha
4) Justice GS Singhvi
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 245 Which of the following statements is/are correct with respect to Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle (GSLV) scheduled to be test launched soon?

1) The vehicle is set to be launched on 15 Dec.

2) It is a three stage vehicle with first stage comprises S125 solid booster with four liquid (L40) strap-ons.

3) The GSLV will not be capable of launching communication satellites weighing 2000kg and above.

4) All the above

5) Only 1) and 2)

Ans.) 5

Ques. : 246 The book titled 'The Dwarf's Moon' has been authored by

1) Preeti Shenoy

2) Jhumpa Lahiri

3) Devdutt Pattnaik

4) Arnab Mitra

5) None of these

Ans.) 4

Ques. : 247 The Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) has launched a platform for trading in currency and interest rate derivatives. Which of the following statements is/are correct in this regard?

1) It will now allow the rupee pair trading in dollar, euro, pound and the yen on the new currency derivatives segment.

2) The BSE chief Ashish Chauhan said the exchange will not levy any transaction charge on trades done in the currency derivatives segment for the first six months.

3) With the launch, BSE has become the first stock exchange in the world to start currency and interest rate derivative scheme.

4) Only 1) and 2)

5) Only 2) and 3)

Ans.) 4

Ques. : 248 The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has relaxed norms for non-banking finance companies (NBFCs) in insurance joint ventures. Now NBFCs are allowed to hold

1) more than 20 per cent in insurance JVs

2) more than 30 per cent in insurance JVs

3) more than 40 per cent in insurance JVs

4) more than 50 per cent in insurance JVs

5) None of these

Ans.) 4

Ques. : 249 In order to ensure security in card-based payment transactions taking place at point of sale (POS) terminals or at ATMs, the RBI has advised banks to follow which of the following measures?

1) Banks may adopt Aadhaar as additional authentication

2) Banks may move to Euro pay MasterCard Visa (EMV) chip and pin technology

3) Bank's call centre should call and confirm every transaction

4) All the above

5) Only 1) and 2)

Ans.) 5

Ques. : 250 The Telecom regulatory Authority of India (Trai) has asked banks to check unsolicited commercial calls and SMSs till Dec 2013. Who among the following is chairman of the telecom regulator?

1) UK Sinha

2) Rahul Khullar

3) TS Vijayan

4) J Hari Narayan

5) None of these

Ans.) 2

Ques. : 251 Who among the following has taken over as Chief Executive of the Indian Banks' Association (IBA) recently?

1) K Ramakrishnan

2) Pratip Chaudhuri

3) MV Tanksale

4) Rajeev Rishi

5) None of these

Ans.) 3

Ques. : 252 The US has exempted which of the following countries along with India for another six months from tough financial sanctions targeting Iranian oil sales recently?

1) China

2) Turkey

3) Republic of Korea

4) All the above

5) None of the above

Ans.) 4

Ques. : 253 The International Day for Persons with Disabilities is observed on

1) 1 Dec
2) 2 Dec
3) 3 Dec
4) 5 Dec
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 254 The ministerial meeting of the World Trade Organisation (WTO) was held in which of the following cities recently?

1) Kuala Lumpur
2) Bali
3) Paris
4) Frankfurt
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 255 Who among the following has been appointed as UNICEF's first brand ambassador for South Asia recently? He will work for promoting hygiene and sanitation in the South Asian region for two years.

1) Virat Kohli
2) Shikhar Dhawan
3) Mahendra Singh Dhoni
4) Sachin Tendulkar
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 256 What is India's position in the Transparency International's Corruption Perceptions Index 2013 released recently?

1) 127
2) 94
3) 84
4) 80
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 257 As announced by the govt recently, it aims to meet the revenue target of _____from spectrum sale this fiscal.

1) Rs 40,000 cr
2) Rs 50,000 cr
3) Rs 70,000 cr
4) Rs 80,000 cr
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 258 Canada is the recent country to object the provisions of India's Civil Nuclear Liability Act. As per the Act, an operator of a nuclear plant will be liable for damages worth up to

1) Rs 1,000 cr
2) Rs 1,500 cr
3) Rs 2,000 cr
4) Rs 2,500 cr
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 259 The Uttar Pradesh govt and private mill owners reached an agreement over sugarcane prices recently. As agreed, the farmers will be paid the state-advised price of

1) Rs 200/quintal
2) Rs 240/quintal
3) Rs 280/quintal
4) Rs 320/quintal
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 260 What does the term FPO stands for?

1) First Public Offer
2) Final Public Offer
3) Follow-on Public Offer
4) Forward Public Offer
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 261 As part of its assistance to which of the following countries, India is providing full grant assistance to set up a three-tier English Language Training System in nine provinces of the country?

1) Bangladesh
2) Pakistan
3) Sri Lanka
4) Myanmar
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 262 The recently signed Geneva accord is associated with which of the following?

1) Chemical weapons control treaty
2) Nuclear pact between US and Russia
3) Nuclear deal between P5+1 and Iran
4) Climate treaty
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 263 The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has released draft guidelines for entry of banks into insurance broking business. Which of the following is NOT correct in this regard?

1) Banks desirous of offering insurance broking services have to get specific prior approval of RBI.

2) Validity period for the approval granted for insurance broking will be ten years subject to review thereafter.

3) Aspiring banks should have a net worth of not less than Rs 500 cr and CRAR (capital to risk assets ratio) of not less than 10 per cent.

4) Further, the draft has stipulated that the level of net non-performing assets should not be more than 3 per cent.

5) The bank should have made profits for the last three consecutive years.

Ans.) 2

Ques. : 264 Which of the following countries has launched an Air Defense Identification Zone (ADIZ) in the East China Sea recently?

1) South Korea
2) Japan
3) China
4) North Korea
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 265 Which of the following has been made compulsory by the RBI for all debit card transactions from 1 Dec, 2013?

1) Punching PIN
2) Furnishing ID card
3) Using one-time password send by the bank
4) Shopping at RBI-authorised point-of-sale only
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 266 The Federation Cup is associated with which of the following games in India?

1) Football
2) Hockey
3) Golf
4) Cricket
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 267 The Reserve Bank of India (RBI), recently, has allowed banks to pay interest on rupee savings and term deposits at

1) Quarterly or longer rests
2) Shorter than quarterly intervals
3) Half yearly or longer rests
4) Yearly intervals
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 268 The RBI has announced to launch awareness campaign for which of the following recently?

1) Using coins for small transactions
2) Using internet banking for fund transfer
3) Not accepting soiled or damaged currency notes
4) Not writing on currency notes
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 269 In one of the biggest settlements in the pharmaceutical history, which of the following companies has agreed to pay USD 2.5 bn as compensation to around 8k US citizens for its faulty hip implants recently?

1) Unilever
2) Reckitt Benckiser
3) Johnson & Johnson
4) GlaxoSmithkline
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 270 India's first indigenous nuclear submarine is scheduled to head for the open seas for extensive trials in early 2014. Name the submarine

1) INS Sindhugosh
2) INS Arihant
3) INS Chakra
4) INS Sindhurakshak
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 271 All restrictions have been removed on corporate houses willing to make donations to political parties in the recently introduced Companies Act 2013. Earlier, what was the upper limit for political contributions for corporate?

1) 5.5 per cent of average net profit
2) 5.5 per cent of average net profit
3) 7.5 per cent of average net profit
4) 10.5 per cent of average net profit

5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 272 Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding PIN requirement for credit card transactions as mandated by the RBI recently?

1) Credit card holders are required to punch in their PIN numbers every time they use the card from 1Dec.
2) The PIN requirement has been made mandatory for international transactions, including on the Internet.
3) The users need to replace their existing credit cards with the EMV Chip card and get a PIN.
4) All the above
5) Only 2) and 3)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 273 Which of the following has become the farthest object sent by India into the space so far?

1) Chandrayaan 1
2) SARAL
3) GSAT-7
4) Mangalayaan
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 274 What is the upper limit fixed by the RBI for the fund transfer through National Electronic Fund Transfer (NEFT) facility?

1) Rs 50,000
2) Rs 75,000
3) Rs 150,000
4) Rs 200,000
5) No limit
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 275 Who among the following has won the 2013 LG People's Choice Award of ICC recently?

1) AB de Villiers
2) Virat Kohli
3) Michael Clarke
4) Sachin Tendulkar
5) Mahendra Singh Dhoni
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 276 Which of the following parties has emerged as the single largest party in the newly elected Constituent Assembly in Nepal?

1) Rastriya Prajatantra Party-Nepal (RPP-N)
2) UCPN-Maoist
3) CPN (UML)
4) The Nepali Congress
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 277 The anti-apartheid icon, Nelson Mandela, died recently. Which of the following statements is/are correct about him?

1) He was South Africa's first elected black Prime Minister.
2) He spent 27 years in prison after being convicted by the apartheid govt.
3) He shared the Nobel Peace Prize 1993 with Frederik Willem de Klerk "for their work for the peaceful termination of the apartheid regime in South Africa.
4) All the above
5) Only 2) and 3)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 278 India is all set to raise a 10-metre high embankment running along the 197-Km stretch of the International Border along which of the following countries in an effort to check frequent border crossing?

1) Bangladesh
2) Nepal
3) China
4) Pakistan
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 279 The book ‘Chronicle of A Corpse Bearer’ has been authored by

1) Cyrus Mistry
2) Ratan Tata
3) Mukesh Ambani
4) Anil Agarwal
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 280 What is expanded form of BSBDA?

1) Broad Savings Bank Deposit Account
2) Bharat Savings Bank Deposit Account
3) Basic Savings Bank Deposit Account
4) Basic Savings Bank Demerged Account

5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 281 The Department of Telecommunications (DoT) has slapped Rs 600-cr penalty on which of the following telecom operators of India recently for its alleged violation of licence conditions in its merger deal with Spice Communications?

1) Idea Cellular **2)** Bharti Airtel
3) Vodafone **4)** Reliance Communication
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 282 The govt has offered an interest-free relief package to the sugar sector recently. Which of the following is correct in this regard?

1) The package to the sugar sector includes interest-free Rs 7,200-cr loan from banks.
2) A part of the 12 per cent interest on the amount will be borne by the Centre and the rest by the Sugar Development Fund (SDF) created from the cess collected on cane crushing.
3) The loans can be repaid in five years and the millers have also been allowed to restructure all their existing loans, according to the RBI guidelines.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2) **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 283 The United Nations (UN), in its first global assessment of the state of the planet's land resources, have found that farmers will have to produce ____more food by 2050 to feed the world's expected 9-bn-strong population.

1) 40% **2)** 50%
3) 60% **4)** 70%
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 284 What is the name of the new ball unveiled for the 2014 FIFA World Cup?

1) Fifooba **2)** Brazuca
3) Brasilia **4)** Bazoomba
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 285 Who among the following has been appointed the new Chief Information Commissioner of India recently?

1) Yashovardhan Azad **2)** Sharat Sabharwal
3) Sushma Singh **4)** Deepak Sandhu
5) Manjula Parashar **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 286 Which of the following countries will host under-17 FIFA World Cup in 2017?

1) Malaysia **2)** Japan
3) South Korea **4)** India
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 287 Who among the following is the present chairman of the Forward Market Commission (FMC), the commodity market regulator of the country?

1) Rahul Khullar **2)** TS Vijayan
3) UC Sinha **4)** Ramesh Abhishek
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 288 What is Obamacare, a much talked about scheme launched by the US President Barack Obama?

1) A plan aimed at senior citizens **2)** A plan aimed at pregnant women
3) A rehabilitation plan for migrants **4)** A health care plan
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 289 The Supreme Court has directed all States recently to put in place draft rules for regulating which of the following by March 31, 2014?

1) Sale of inflammables in canisters **2)** Sale of junk food in school canteens

3) Sale of acids and other corrosive substances **4)** Sale of medicine without prescription
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 290 The book 'Muslim Zion: Pakistan as a Political Idea' has been written by

1) Faisal Devji **2)** Navtej Sarna
3) Vishwajyoti Ghosh **4)** Neil Gaiman
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 291 What is the expanded form of VCES, a facility provided by the Finance Ministry to tax defaulters

1) Voluntary Compliance Expansion Scheme **2)** Voluntary Compliance Exemption Scheme
3) Voluntary Compliance Establishment Scheme **4)** Voluntary Compliance Encouragement Scheme
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 292 In case of dishonour of a cheque due to insufficient funds in the account of the person drawing the cheque, a court can punish the guilty (defaulter) with a prison term of two years and/or a fine, which can be as high as _____the cheque amount.

1) Twice **2)** Thrice
3) Four-times **4)** Five-times
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 293 The Union Foreign Minister Salman Khurshid represented India at Manama Dialogue held at Manama recently. The three day long summit was related to which of the following issues?

1) Climate change **2)** The regional and global security
3) Ensuring fuel security for developing nations **4)** Doing away with agricultural subsidies
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 294 The Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and Rehab Act 2013 came into force recently. The new act prohibits

1) Employment of manual scavengers **2)** Manual cleaning of sewers and septic tanks without protective equipment
3) Construction of insanitary latrines **4)** All the above
5) Only 1) and 2) **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 295 As announced by the Britain's Immigration Department recently, it will stop accepting payment through which of the following modes from 16 Dec, 2013?

1) Demand draft **2)** Cash
3) E-wallet **4)** Debit or credit cards
5) Only 1) and 2) **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 296 Bombay High Court has directed the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) and the Centre to implement in the Indian Adminstraive Service a quota of _____ for the disabled as per provisions under the Persons with Disability Act.

1) Three per cent **2)** Four per cent
3) Five per cent **4)** Six per cent
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 297 Who among the following has won the readers' poll for Time's Person of the Year 2013 title?

1) Narendra Modi **2)** Edward Snowden
3) Recep Tayyip Erdogan **4)** Abdel Fattah el-Sisi
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 298 The term birdie is associated with which of the following games?

1) Hockey **2)** Cricket
3) Golf **4)** Billiards
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 299 The Union Cabinet gave its nod to the Telangana Bill recently. Which of the following is NOT correct with

respect to the Bill?

1) Telangana will comprise 13 districts and the rest of Andhra Pradesh comprises 10 districts.

2) Hyderabad will remain the common capital for both the states for a period not exceeding 10 years.

3) The Governor of Telangana will have a special responsibility for security of life, liberty and property of all those who reside in the common capital area.

4) The govt of India will extend financial and other support to the creation of a new capital for the successor state of Andhra Pradesh.

5) Polavaram will be declared as a national project and will be executed by the union govt following all environmental and R&R norms.

Ans.) 1

Ques. : 300 The central bank of which of the following countries holds the highest amount of foreign currency reserves in the world as of now?

1) Japan
2) US
3) Switzerland
4) China
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 301 The National Tiger Conservation Authority has given nod to develop a tiger reserve at Nagzira situated in which of the following states recently? This will be the fifth tiger reserve of the state.

1) Gujarat
2) Maharashtra
3) Madhya Pradesh
4) Odisha
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 302 Who among the following has been voted the Guardian's Person of the Year 2013 recently?

1) Jack Monroe
2) Pope Francis
3) Marco Weber
4) Sini Saarela
5) Edward Snowden
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 303 Name the largest airborne survey of Earth's polar ice, which will yield a three-dimensional view of Arctic and Antarctic ice sheets, and has been restarted by the US space agency NASA recently.

1) Polar Bridge
2) Ice Bridge
3) Aerial 2
4) Hawk Eye 2
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 304 Which of the following is the name of a mobile based payment facility launched by National Payment Corporation of India (NPCI)?

1) USSD
2) SWIFT
3) FATF
4) IMPS
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 305 The govt has allowed unlisted firms to directly raise funds abroad recently. Which of the following statements is/are correct in this regard?

1) The unlisted companies has been allowed to directly list on stock exchanges abroad to raise funds for acquisitions or retiring overseas debts.

2) The unlisted companies were needed to list in Indian markets prior or subsequent to their listing abroad till date.

3) The facility will be available for a period of five years initially.

4) Only 1) and 2)

5) Only 1) and 3)

Ans.) 4

Ques. : 306 Which of the following is the first nation of the world which has granted non-human personhood status to dolphins to recognize their unique intelligence and self-awareness recently?

1) US
2) India
3) Japan
4) China
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 307 The Indian Air Force has announced to discontinue the services of which of the following fighter aircrafts after 11 Dec, 2013?

1) Mig-27 ML
2) Mig-21 FL
3) Jaguar
4) Mirage 2000
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 308 The World Trade Organisation (WTO) held its crucial ministerial conference in Bali recently. The WTO was set up in which of the following years?

1) 1991
2) 1993
3) 1995
4) 1999
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 309 What is maximum amount liable to income tax exemption in case if a senior citizen (person above 60 yrs) as of now?

1) Rs 2 lakh
2) Rs 2.2 lakh
3) Rs 2.5 lakh
4) Rs 2.75 lakh
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 310 Name the country which is all set to become the first country of the world to legalise marijuana?

1) Uruguay
2) Paraguay
3) Ukraine
4) Vietnam
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 311 Who among the following has been conferred this year's Impact Person of the Year Award recently?

1) Kapil Sibal
2) Raj Nayak
3) Vineet Jain
4) Shekhar Gupta
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 312 Which of the following companies has bagged three-year sponsorship rights for the Indian cricket team for all BCCI, ACC and ICC events recently?

1) Sahara India
2) Star India
3) Hero Moto Corp
4) Reebok
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 313 India has contributed what amount to the core voluntary budget of UN Women for the financial year 2013-2014 as the fourth installment of its multi-year pledge to the world body?

1) USD 1 mn
2) USD 2 mn
3) USD 5 mn
4) USD 10 mn
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 314 Expand the term IMPS.

1) Immediate Payment Service
2) Inter-Mobile Payment Service
3) International Mobile Payment Service
4) Instant Payment Service
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 315 Who among the following has been appointed as the Director General of the OPCW recently?

1) Mohamed ElBaradei
2) Roberto Azevedo
3) Ahmet Uzumcu
4) Yukiya Amano
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 316 Which of the following countries is hosting the 27th South East Asian Games, the biggest sporting event in South East Asia, for the first time in 40 years?

1) Nepal
2) Bangladesh
3) Myanmar
4) Singapore
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 317 Who among the following in not a recipient of the 2013 United Nations Human Rights Prize?

1) Khadija Ryadi
2) Liisa Kauppinen
3) Biram Dah Abeid
4) Nelson Mandela

5) Malala Yousafzai **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 318 Name the first indigenously designed and developed fighter aircraft which has reached closer to its induction in the Indian Air Force with the recent successful test of its weaponry system?

1) HAL HJT-36 Sitara **2)** HAL HJT-16 Kiran
3) Saras **4)** LCA Tejas
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 319 Under the provisions of the recently enacted Companies Act, 2013, which of the following bodies has been accorded statutory status?

1) Directorate General of Income Tax Investigation **2)** Directorate of Revenue Intelligence
3) Serious Fraud Investigation Office **4)** National Technical Research Organisation
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 320 The Indian squad crashed out of the Hero Junior Men's Hockey World Cup after a draw with which of the following teams in New Delhi recently?

1) South Korea **2)** Japan
3) Malaysia **4)** Indonesia
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 321 The new book 'Unbreakable' is an autobiography of who among the following?

1) Virat Kohli **2)** Mary Kom
3) Saina Nehwal **4)** Deepika Kumari
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 322 The 193-member UN General Assembly elected which of the following countries to the UN Security Council to replace Saudi Arabia, which rejected its two-year term recently?

1) Chile **2)** Chad
3) Nigeria **4)** Lithuania
5) Jordan **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 323 The chemical weapon watchdog OPCW has announced that Syria has completed destruction of all unfilled chemical weapons munitions. OPCW stands for

1) Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical War **2)** Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Waste
3) Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons **4)** Organisation for the Prevention of Chemical Warheads
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 324 Mauritius has agreed to include a 'limitation of benefits (LoB)' clause in its revised tax treaty with India recently. The LoB clauses are typically aimed at

1) Promoting appropriate use of tax pacts by third-country investors **2)** Preventing inappropriate use of tax pacts by third-country investors
3) Limiting use of tax pacts to Peoples of Indian Origin (PIOs) only **4)** Mauritius investors to invest half of all investments in India
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 325 The first mega food park of the country is to come up at which of the following places? The food park will have nearly 35 industrial units and will give direct and indirect employment to about 30,000 persons.

1) Amethi, UP **2)** Haridwar, Uttarakhand
3) Agra, UP **4)** Panipat, Haryana
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 326 Which of the following states has launched a scheme name Manodhairya Yojana aimed at compensating victims of various crimes, especially rape, child sex abuse and acid attacks?

1) Uttar Pradesh **2)** Maharashtra
3) Karnataka **4)** Rajasthan

5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 327 Under the MSME Act 2006, a micro enterprise is an enterprise where the investment in plant and machinery does not exceed

1) Rs 10 lakh **2)** Rs 15 lakh
3) Rs 20 lakh **4)** Rs 25 lakh
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 328 Which of the following countries has announced to provide approximately 1.09 bn Nepali rupess aid to Nepal for the development of local governance and community development programme?

1) India **2)** China
3) Switzerland **4)** US
5) Japan **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 329 The US has fined which of the following banks USD100 mn for violating sanctions against Iran, Sudan, Burma and Cuba recently?

1) Royal Bank of Scotland **2)** JPMorgan Chase
3) Standard Chartered **4)** Citi Bank
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 330 Lal Thanhawla has been sworn in as the new Chief Minister of which of the following states recently?

1) Manipur **2)** Tripura
3) Nagaland **4)** Mizoram
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 331 At the recent G8 dementia summit, the leading nations of the world have committed to developing a cure or treatment for dementia by _____.

1) 2015 **2)** 2020
3) 2025 **4)** 2030
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 332 The Prime Minister Enrico Letta won a parliamentary confidence vote in which of the following countries recently?

1) Spain **2)** Italy
3) Venezuela **4)** Thailand
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 333 India lost a three match ODI series against which of the following countries recently after the third match was abandoned due to rain?

1) Australia **2)** West Indies
3) South Africa **4)** Sri Lanka
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 334 Antarctica hit coldest temp ever recorded on Earth recently with temperatures dipping to a bone-chilling _____.

1) -128.6 F (-89.2 C) **2)** -136 F (-93.2 C)
3) -141 F (-89.2 C) **4)** -152.8 F (-89.2 C)
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 335 World leaders, health care experts and analysts discussed ways and means to tackle challenges facing the health care sector across the globe at the WISH-2013 meet in Qatar capital Doha recently. WISH stands for

1) World Introspection Summit for Health **2)** World Innovation Summit for Health
3) World Inaugural Summit for Health **4)** World Invitational Summit for Health
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 336 Who among the following has been awarded with the highest civilian award of France, 'Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur' recently?

1) Anjali Gopalan
2) Sushmita Sen
3) MS Swaminathan
4) Tessy Thomas
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 337 Ayurvedic doctor-turned-politician Raman Singh was sworn in as chief minister of which of the following states for the third consecutive term recently?

1) Uttarakhand
2) Rajasthan
3) Chhattisgarh
4) Madhya Pradesh
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 338 Himachal Pradesh became the 2nd state to introduce Centre's National Vocational Qualitative Framework (NVQF) Scheme recently. Which of the following is the first state of the country to introduce the above scheme?

1) Haryana
2) Bihar
3) Odisha
4) Uttar Pradesh
5) Himachal Pradesh
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 339 Senior fundamentalist Jamaat-e-Islami leader Abdul Quader Mollah was executed for war crimes in which of the following countries recently becoming the first politician of the country to be hanged for such crimes?

1) Myanmar
2) Indonesia
3) Egypt
4) Iraq
5) Bangladesh
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 340 Under the MSME Act 2006, a small enterprise is an enterprise where the investment in plant and machinery does not exceed

1) Rs 50 lakh
2) Rs 1 cr
3) Rs 2 cr
4) Rs 5 cr
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 341 Which of the following rates is not controlled by the RBI?

1) Repo rate
2) Cess
3) CRR
4) SLR
5) MSF
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 342 Which of the following modes of transportation is all set to mark the 100th anniversary of the birth of its commercial operation on 1 Jan 2014?

1) Railway
2) Taxi service
3) Civil aviation
4) Bus service
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 343 In what is perhaps a global first, which of the following states is in process to establish an exclusive sanctuary for cows?

1) Maharashtra
2) Gujarat
3) Rajasthan
4) Madhya Pradesh
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 344 The legislative assembly of which of the following states has passed the Anti-Superstition Bill recently?

1) Assam
2) Odisha
3) West Bengal
4) Maharashtra
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 345 Seventeen members of a wedding party were killed in a US drone strike in which of the following countries recently inflaming popular sentiment against both the US and the fragile central govt of the country?

1) Pakistan
2) Yemen
3) Syria
4) Afghanistan
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 346 CVR Rajendran has been appointed the new Chairman and Managing Director of which of the following public sector banks recently?

1) Andhra Bank
2) Bank of India
3) Indian Bank
4) Bank of Baroda
5) Union bank of India
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 347 Who among the following has been appointed the chief executive officer (CEO) of India unit of the world's largest retailer Walmart Stores?

1) Ramnik Narsey
2) Krish Iyer
3) Sanjay Kapoor
4) Gopal Vittal
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 348 Who among the following won the Sir Garfield Sobers trophy for ICC Cricketer of the Year and also was named the ICC Test Cricketer of the Year at the ICC Awards 2013?

1) Cheteshwar Pujara
2) Kumar Sangakkara
3) Michael Clarke
4) MS Dhoni
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 349 The newly published book titled '1284' showcases the career of which of the following all time football great, also known as black pearl? The book contains only 1284 words which is the number of goal he made in his career.

1) Neymar
2) Ronaldo
3) Diego Maradona
4) Pele
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 350 The Union Cabinet approved the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Bill recently. Which of the following is correct regarding the bill?

1) It will replace the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunity Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act of 1995.
2) The Bill provides for five per cent reservation in public sector jobs and makes the private sector more accountable for creating a disabled-friendly environment.
3) It allows mentally unsound women the right to fertility and prescribes punishment for forced abortion or hysterectomy on them.
4) All the above
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 351 Under the MSME Act 2006, a medium enterprise is an enterprise where the investment in plant and machinery does not exceed

1) Rs 1 cr
2) Rs 2 cr
3) Rs 5 cr
4) Rs 10 cr
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 352 Who among the following has been bestowed with the prestigious Mother Teresa Memorial International Award for Social Justice recently?

1) Shabana Azmi
2) Nandita Das
3) Sushmita Sen
4) Raveena Tandon
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 353 Setting aside the Delhi High Court's verdict in 2009, the Supreme Court upheld the constitutional validity of the penal provision for which of the following acts, an offence punishable with up to life imprisonment?

1) Child marriage
2) Superstitious practices
3) Human trafficking
4) Gay sex
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 354 A top Indian diplomat was held for visa fraud in US recently and later released on bail. Name the diplomat.

1) Devyani Khobragade
2) Naveen Srivastava
3) Subrahmanyam Jaishankar
4) Meera Shankar
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 355 Both the Houses of Parliament paid glowing tributes recently to the martyrs who laid down their lives in the dastardly attack on the Parliament House on 13 Dec, _____.

1) 2000
2) 2001
3) 2002
4) 2003
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 356 Abdiweli Sheikh Ahmed has been appointed the prime minister of which of the following countries by the President of the country recently?

1) Nigeria
2) Somalia
3) Mali
4) Cambodia
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 357 The International Mountain Day is observed on which of the following dates?

1) 11 Dec
2) 12 Dec
3) 13 Dec
4) 14 Dec
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 358 Consider the following statements with respect to the Coal Regulatory Authority Bill and identify the correct statement(s):

1) The regulator would neither have the authority to allocate blocks nor determine prices of the dry fuel.
2) The Bill provides for creation of a Fund called 'Coal Regulatory Authority Fund', whenever all grants, fees, charges received by the authority shall be credited.
3) The Appellate Tribunal for Electricity shall act as Appellate Tribunal for the appeals against the decisions of the Coal Regulatory Authority.
4) Only 1) and 2)
5) All 1), 2) and 3)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 359 Who among the following has bagged the 'Emerging Cricketer of the Year' trophy at the 2013 ICC Annual awards recently?

1) Virat Kohli
2) R Ashwin
3) Cheteshwar Pujara
4) Shikhar Dhawan
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 360 Which of the following teams has won women's Kabaddi World Cup championship for the third time in a row recently?

1) New Zealand
2) India
3) Nepal
4) China
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 361 Which of the following international airports has been renamed after Nadaprabhu Kempe Gowda, who founded the city in 16th century?

1) Cochin International Airport
2) Mangalore International Airport
3) Goa International Airport
4) Bengaluru International Airport
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 362 Which of the following teams lifted Men's Junior Hockey World Cup for a record sixth time recently in New Delhi?

1) Malaysia
2) Netherlands
3) France
4) India
5) Germany
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 363 India defeated which of the following teams to emerge as champions of the fourth Kabaddi World Cup

played in Ludhiana recently?

1) Pakistan **2)** Bangladesh
3) Nepal **4)** China
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 364 The RBI has undertaken Cheque Truncation System (CTS) as a new method for clearing of cheques. Which among the following is NOT correct about the CTS system?

1) Physical movement of cheques takes place. **2)** Electronic image of the cheque is transmitted.
3) Clearing related frauds and cost of collection are reduced. **4)** Only 1) and 3)
5) Only 2) and 3) **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 365 The Union Cabinet gave its nod for a central plan scheme monitoring system recently. Which of the following statements is/are correct about the system?

1) It will be known as the Plan Accounting and Public Finance Management System (PA&PFMS). **2)** It will be rolled out over a period of four years till 2017.
3) It will be rolled out with a total outlay of Rs 10,080 cr. **4)** Only 1) and 2)
5) Only 1) and 3) **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 366 The CCEA has approved the continuation of the ongoing Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) in the Twelfth Plan (2012-13 to 2016-17) with an outlay of _____.

1) Rs 22246 cr **2)** Rs 43246 cr
3) Rs 63246 cr **4)** Rs 94623 cr
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 367 The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has announced to lend $350 mn for improving power transmission and distribution system in which of the following Indian states?

1) Bihar **2)** Gujarat
3) Madhya Pradesh **4)** Uttar Pradesh
5) Odisha **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 368 Which of the following Indian firms has topped the wealth creation table, according to the Motilal Oswal annual wealth creation study for the five year period (2008-13)?

1) Eicher Motors **2)** Infosys
3) HDFC Bank **4)** ITC
5) Tata Consultancy Services **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 369 Which of the following countries has become the first country to allow euthanasia for incurably ill children recently? Earlier in 2002, the country has legalised the practice for adults.

1) New Zealand **2)** Chile
3) Norway **4)** Belgium
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 370 As per US-based business magazine Forbes' annual list of India's 100 richest people released recently, who is the richest person of the country at present?

1) Azim Premji **2)** Dilip Shanghvi
3) Lakshmi Mittal **4)** Mukesh Ambani
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 371 India's trade deficit with China nears record level in the current year. After 11 months of 2013, it has reached to

1) USD 20 b **2)** USD 30 b
3) USD 40 b **4)** USD 50 b
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 372 Who among the following has became the first Indian squash player to win the IMET Open, in the

Slovakian capital of Bratislava recently?

1) Greg Lobban
2) Mahesh Mangaonkar
3) Siddharth Suchde
4) Cyrus Poncha
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 373 India's second largest low-cost carrier SpiceJet has signed an interline agreement with which of the following Singapore-based airlines recently?

1) Jetstar Asia Airways
2) SilkAir
3) Tigerair
4) Valuair
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 374 Commemorating its victory over Pakistan, India celebrated 43rd Victory Day recently on

1) 12 Dec
2) 14 Dec
3) 16 Dec
4) 18 Dec
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 375 Which of the following countries has inked a deal enabling EU to send back illegal migrants who entered the 28-nation bloc via this country? It is a major transit country for Asians and Africans heading for the EU.

1) Georgia
2) Azerbaijan
3) Bulgaria
4) Turkey
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 376 The United Nations has announced its biggest ever appeal for humanitarian aid to Syria's 22.4 mn conflict-affected population. What amount has been sought by the UN?

1) USD 5.5 bn
2) USD 6.5 bn
3) USD 7.5 bn
4) USD 8.5 bn
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 377 The European Parliament granted Generalised System of Preferences Plus (GSP Plus) status to which of the following countries recently?

1) India
2) South Africa
3) Brazil
4) Thailand
5) Pakistan
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 378 Doha Bank has been granted licence to commence banking operations in India recently. It is the largest private commercial bank based in

1) Kuwait
2) Iran
3) Bahrain
4) Qatar
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 379 Who among the following has been named Time Person of the Year 2013 recently?

1) Barack Obama
2) Bashar al-Assad
3) Edith Windsor
4) Edward Snowden
5) Pope Francis
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 380 A veteran politician, Sis Ram Ola, died recently. Which of the following is correct about him?

1) He served as Union Minister and held various portfolios in the Union Council of Ministers.
2) He was member of Rajasthan Assembly for eight terms from 1957 to 1990.
3) He was an agriculturist and was conferred the Padma Shri in 1968.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 3)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 381 The Centre has made major changes in its flagship programme MNREGA recently. Which of the following is/are among them?

1) Rs 10,000 for constructing toilets for all job card holders.
2) Assistance for buildings for women self help federations.

3) If wage payment is delayed beyond 90 days, workers will be compensated with the amount being deducted from officials responsible for it.

4) Only 1) and 2)

5) Only 1) and 3)

Ans.) 4

Ques. : 382 Who among the following has been appointed the Chairman of the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (Nabard) recently?

1) Prakash Bakshi

2) Harsh Kumar Bhanwala

3) Santosh Nayar

4) Sushil Muhnot

5) None of these

Ans.) 2

Ques. : 383 The International Migrants Day is observed on which of the following dates?

1) 16 Dec

2) 18 Dec

3) 20 Dec

4) 28 Dec

5) None of these

Ans.) 2

Ques. : 384 The Lokpal Bill has been passed by both the houses of the Parliament recently. Which of the following is not among the important features of the Bill?

1) Lokpal at the Centre and Lokayukta at the level of the states.

2) Fifty per cent of members of Lokpal shall be from SC/ST/OBCs, minorities and women.

3) A transfer of the investigating officers could only take place with the Lokpal's approval.

4) Prime Minister has been brought under the purview of the Lokpal.

5) All the NGOs and the religious bodies will fall under the Lokpal's jurisdiction.

Ans.) 5

Ques. : 385 Who among the following has been named the International Tennis Federation's men's world champion for 2013?

1) Novak Djokovic

2) Andy Murray

3) Roger Federer

4) Rafael Nadal

5) None of these

Ans.) 1

Ques. : 386 Who among the following will be conferred BCCI's Col CK Nayudu Lifetime Achievement award for the year 2013?

1) Mohinder Amarnath

2) Sunil Gavaskar

3) Kapil Dev

4) Ravi Shastri

5) None of these

Ans.) 3

Ques. : 387 In which of the following countries, Indians have been charged with alleged rioting in the country's worst outbreak of violence in over 40 years and 52 Indians have been deported recently?

1) Malaysia

2) Singapore

3) US

4) Italy

5) None of these

Ans.) 2

Ques. : 388 The novel titled 'A Girl is a Half-Formed Thing' has been authored by

1) Supriya Dravid

2) Eimear Mcbride

3) Fatima Bhutto

4) Juliet Reynolds

5) None of these

Ans.) 2

Ques. : 389 Which of the following auto majors operating in the country has announced to shift its entire export operations for the Middle East, Africa, Latin America and South-East Asia to India by the end of the next fiscal year?

1) Suzuki Motor Corporation

2) General Motors

3) Toyota Motor Corporation

4) Ford Motors

5) None of these

Ans.) 1

Ques. : 390 The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) announced its quarterly policy review on 18 Dec. Which of the following key policy rates are correctly matched after the review?

1) Repo rate – 7.75 per cent

2) Reverse repo rate – 6.50 per cent

3) CRR – 4 per cent
4) MSF – 8.75 per cent
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 391 What does the term 'red herring' refers to in the context of an IPO?

1) Minimum offer per share
2) No of shares offered
3) Preliminary prospectus
4) Size of IPO
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 392 Who among the following has been named the International Tennis Federation's women's world champion for 2013?

1) Serena Williams
2) Victoria Azarenka
3) Maria Sharapova
4) Li Na
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 393 The Gaia satellite, one of the most ambitious space missions in history which is going to map the precise positions and distances to more than a billion stars, has been launched recently by:

1) US
2) Europe
3) Russia
4) China
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 394 The National Energy Conservation Day is observed in India on:

1) 11th Dec
2) 14th Dec
3) 18th Dec
4) 24th Dec
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 395 The Election Commission (EC) is planning to introduce which of the following facilities to paramilitary forces in the coming Lok Sabha elections?

1) Downloadable ballot paper
2) Special leave provision
3) Special booth for deputed personnel
4) Online voting
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 396 The US central bank Federal Reserve announced that it would reduce the monthly bond purchases from the existing level and from Jan 2014, it will purchase bonds only worth:

1) USD 85 bn
2) USD 80 bn
3) USD 75 bn
4) USD 70 bn
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 397 The Cabinet has allowed the state-owned miner Coal India Ltd (CIL) to produce coal-bed methane (CBM). Consider the following in this respect and identify the correct statement(s):

1) Currently, simultaneous extraction of CBM and coal is prohibited.
2) According to the Directorate General of Hydrocarbons (DGH), India has CBM reserves of about 4.6 trillion cubic metres.
3) The world's largest coal miner is allowed to rope in private firms for CBM exploration and production.
4) Only 1) and 2)
5) Only 1) and 3)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 398 Which of the following names has been included in the list of awardees of Sahitya Akademi Awards 2013 announced recently?

1) Javed Akhtar
2) Mridula Garg
3) Subodh Sarkar
4) All the above
5) None of the above
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 399 Who among the following has been given the ET Lifetime Achievement Award 2013 recently?

1) Vinod Khosla
2) P Chidambram
3) Kumar Mangalam Birla
4) Azim Premji
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 400 Which of the following teams has won the ATS 69th National team badminton titles, for the 15th year in succession recently?

1) Air India **2)** Petroleum
3) Railway **4)** Services
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 401 Goa celebrated the 52nd anniversary of liberation day recently. The state was freed from which of the following colonial powers on 19 Dec 1961?

1) Portuguese **2)** French
3) British **4)** Dutch
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 402 The telecom major Vodafone has appointed who among the following as its global brand ambassador recently?

1) Sachin Tendulkar **2)** Mary Kom
3) Saina Nehwal **4)** Sania Mirza
5) MS Dhoni **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 403 The fair play regulator Competition Commission of India (CCI) has slapped a fine of Rs 1 cr on Etihad Airways recently. Who among the following is the chairman of CCI at present?

1) Ashok Chawla **2)** Geeta Gouri
3) SL Bunker **4)** SN Dhingra
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 404 Every year the birth anniversary of Chaudhary Charan Singh is celebrated as the Kisan Diwas (Farmers Day) in India on:

1) 21 Dec **2)** 22 Dec
3) 23 Dec **4)** 24 Dec
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 405 Justice (retired) DP Buch took oath as the Lokayukta of which of the following Indian states recently after the post remained vacant for as much as a decade (since Dec 2003)?

1) Madhya Pradesh **2)** Maharashtra
3) Tamil Nadu **4)** West Bengal
5) Gujarat **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 406 The Indian Army Chief was conferred which of the following awards, the sixth highest military honour of the country, during his visit to the US in Dec 2013? It angered the govt as the Services Chiefs have to have clearance from the govt to receive foreign honours.

1) Silver Star **2)** Legion of Merit
3) Distinguished Service Cross **4)** Medal of Honor
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 407 Israel, Jordan and Palestine have signed a water-sharing agreement aimed at replenishing the rapidly drying _____.

1) Sea of Galilee **2)** Aral Sea
3) Dead Sea **4)** Caspian Sea
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 408 Name the Russia's most famous prisoner and Kremlin critic who walked out of jail after spending more than 10 years behind bars, following a surprise pardon by President Vladimir Putin.

1) Alexei Navalny **2)** Roman Abramovich
3) Mikhail Khodorkovsky **4)** Platon Lebedev
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 409 The book titled 'A Cool, Dark Place' has been authored by:

1) Supriya Dravid **2)** Fatima Bhutto
3) Juliet Reynolds **4)** Sidharth Bhatia
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 410 The United Nations has felicitated which of the following Indian state govts for effectively handling Cyclone Phalin in Oct 2013? It is the first state in South East Asia to be felicitated for disaster management.

1) Odisha **2)** Andhra Pradesh
3) West Bengal **4)** Tamil Nadu
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 411 The former Supreme Court judge, Asok Ganguly, who is facing sexual harassment charges, is the present chairman of the Human Rights Commission of:

1) West Bengal **2)** Odisha
3) Himachal Pradesh **4)** Gujarat
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 412 The Hague-based International Court of Arbitration rejected Pakistan's objections by upholding New Delhi's right to divert water from the _____river for power generation in Jammu and Kashmir.

1) Jhelum **2)** Neelum River
3) Kishenganga **4)** Indus River
5) Dras River **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 413 Who among the following is the 2013 BBC Sports Personality of the Year?

1) Novak Djokovic **2)** Andy Murray
3) Roger Federer **4)** Rafael Nadal
5) Juan Martín del Potro **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 414 National Consumer Day is observed on:

1) 21 Dec **2)** 22 Dec
3) 23 Dec **4)** 24 Dec
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 415 Who among the following has been conferred with the prestigious 'Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star' award by the govt of Japan recently?

1) E Sreedharan **2)** Raghuram Rajan
3) Azim Premji **4)** Amartya Sen
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 416 Jayanthi Natarajan resigned from the Union Council of Ministers recently. She was Minister of State with independent charge of:

1) Environment and Forests **2)** Communications and Information Technology
3) Textiles **4)** Planning
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 417 Which of the following dates is celebrated as National Mathematics Day in India, in honour of the great Mathematician Srinivasa Ramanujan?

1) 12 Dec **2)** 17 Dec
3) 22 Dec **4)** 27 Dec
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 418 The president Enrique Pena Nieto signed into law a bill that will allow private companies to drill for oil and gas in:

1) Spain **2)** Kazakhstan
3) Nigeria **4)** Mexico
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 419 Which of the following countries scrapped a double money system (convertible and ordinary peso)

recently which had become a symbol of economic instability?

1) Cuba **2)** Venezuela
3) Greece **4)** Egypt
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 420 Who among the following has become the highest-ranked Indian golfer in the world, at 111 recently?

1) Gaganjeet Bhullar **2)** Jeev Milkha Singh
3) Jyoti Randhawa **4)** Anirban Lahiri
5) Shiv Kapur **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 421 The book titled 'Follow Every Rainbow' has been authored by:

1) Jeffrey Archer **2)** Amish Tripathi
3) Rashmi Bansal **4)** Anand Neelakantan
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 422 Who among the following won the women's title in the $15,000 Tata Open India international Challenge recently?

1) Della Destiara Haris **2)** Shendy Puspa Irawati
3) Sayali Gokhale **4)** PV Sindhu
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 423 Name the inventor of the world's most popular assault rifle, the AK-47, a simple and durable weapon of war used by tens of millions in about 100 countries, who died recently.

1) Hugo Schmeisser **2)** Samuel Colt
3) Helge Palmcrantz **4)** Mikhail Kalashnikov
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 424 Which of the following countries announced recently to have succeeded in sending a monkey into space for the second time and returning it safely to Earth?

1) Iran **2)** Sweden
3) China **4)** Bolivia
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 425 Jade Rabbit rover vehicle drove onto the moon's surface recently in a huge advance in the ambitious space programme of:

1) India **2)** China
3) Japan **4)** US
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 426 In a report to mark its 67th birthday on 11 Dec, the UN children's agency UNICEF has revealed that nearly _____ children under the age of five around the world never get their birth registered.

1) 100 mn **2)** 130 mn
3) 200 mn **4)** 230 mn
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 427 Russia plans to increase its arms exports worth 50 bn dollars by 2020. It has maintained second place on the list of top arms exporters worldwide only behind:

1) US **2)** Europe
3) China **4)** Sweden
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 428 The book titled 'Scandal Point' has been authored by:

1) Fahad Samar **2)** Talmiz Ahmad
3) F.S. Aijazuddin **4)** Sudhir Kakar
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 429 Japan approved its biggest ever budget recently, as an improving economy has made room for more defence spending and the first step towards achieving a balanced budget. What is the size of the budget?

1) USD 622 bn
2) USD 722 bn
3) USD 822 bn
4) USD 922 bn
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 430 Which of the following is not a type of banks operating in India?

1) Commercial Bank
2) Regional Rural Bank
3) Development Bank
4) Commodity Bank
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 431 The President has appointed former Union home secretary V K Duggal as the governor of which of the following states?

1) Mizoram
2) Assam
3) Manipur
4) Nagaland
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 432 According to the Internet search giant Google, who among the following is the most googled sportsperson in 2013?

1) Roger Federer
2) Lionel Messi
3) Mahendra Singh Dhoni
4) Milkha Singh
5) Sachin Tendulkar
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 433 Which of the following countries has passed a law provisioning life imprisonment for some homosexual acts recently?

1) Uganda
2) Spain
3) Chile
4) Cambodia
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 434 Mary Barra has been named as the chief executive officer (CEO) by which of the following auto majors making her the first female CEO in the global automotive industry?

1) Ford
2) General Motors
3) Renault
4) Suzuki
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 435 The central bank of which of the following countries has announced that 2016 onward the currency notes of the country will be printed on polymer, a thin flexible plastic film? It will be the largest economy to do so.

1) US
2) India
3) China
4) England
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 436 Reliance Jio has inked an unprecedented pact for sharing telecom infrastructure with which of the following telecom operators?

1) Bharti Airtel
2) Vodafone
3) Idea
4) Aircel
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 437 Wrestling's apex body (Fila) has decided to merge three freestyle weight categories into two new ones from Jan 2014 putting India's squad in a tricky situation. Who among the following is not associated with the game of wrestling?

1) Amit Kumar
2) Yogeshwar Dutt
3) Sushil Kumar
4) Vijay Kumar
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 438 Name the Indian painter whose untitled work fetched Rs 23.7 cr in a recent auction, the highest so far for any India artist.

1) MF Husain (late) **2)** SH Raza
3) Tyeb Mehta (late) **4)** VS Gaitonde
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 439 After bagging the 2017 U-17 FIFA World Cup's hosting rights, India is set to bid for the 2015 and 2016 editions of the Club World Championships. Which country is hosting the game for 2013 and 2014?

1) Japan **2)** Morocco
3) Germany **4)** Malaysia
5) Brazil **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 440 Which of the following facts in NOT true about the Agni-III missile recently successfully test fired by India?

1) It is a nuclear-capable missile. **2)** It has a strike range of more than 3,000 km.
3) It is a surface-to-surface missile. **4)** It is indigenously developed.
5) It is powered by a three-stage liquid propellant system. **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 441 After Formula One, now Formula E is ready to kick start in 2014 in China. The new format of motor sporting will run which of the following types of cars?

1) Gas-driven **2)** Electric car
3) Hydrogen fuel cars **4)** Hybrid cars
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 442 What is the expanded form of TDS, a term related to taxation in India?

1) Tax Deducted at Source **2)** Tax Defaulted at Source
3) Tax Demanded at Source **4)** Tax Differed at Source
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 443 The govt has decided to provide interest-free loans of _____ to cash-starved sugar mills to make payments to cane farmers.

1) Rs 5,300 cr **2)** Rs 6,600 cr
3) Rs 8,200 cr **4)** Rs 11,600 cr
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 444 Kirobo, which made small talk with a Japanese astronaut and said it had no problem with zero gravity on the International Space Station, is:

1) A monkey sent to the space **2)** A humanoid robot
3) A Japanese astronaut **4)** An alien
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 445 The United Nations (UN) has lowered India's economic growth forecast for 2013 to:

1) 3.8 per cent **2)** 4.2 per cent
3) 4.8 per cent **4)** 5.6 per cent
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 446 India and which among the following countries have inked a three-Year Program for Cultural Exchange recently?

1) Cambodia **2)** Venezuela
3) Netherlands **4)** Israel
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 447 Who among the following has been crowned the Miss International 2013 in Tokyo recently?

1) Casey Radley **2)** Nathalie den Dekker
3) Ikumi Yoshimatsu **4)** Bea Rose Santiago
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 448 Cebit, the world's largest IT business exhibition and conference, will be organised in which among the following cities that will then become an annual affair?

1) Gurgaon
2) Hyderabad
3) Chennai
4) Bangalore
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 449 The International Olympic Committee has given a reprieve to India allowing the athletes to participate in Sochi Olympic recently. Examine the following in this regard and choose the correct statement(s):

1) India risked becoming the first country kicked out of the Olympic movement since South Africa was expelled in 1970 for its apartheid policies.
2) As per IOC, Indians would compete as "independent athletes" under the Olympic flag.
3) India is likely to send a three-member team to Sochi, led by luger Shiva Keshavan.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 3)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 450 Which among the following banks has recently joined hands with the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) to introduce eKYC (electronic Know Your Customer) norms in its branches? It is the second lender to introduce eKYC in the country.

1) Axis Bank
2) HDFC Bank
3) ICICI
4) Federal Bank
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 451 FILA is the governing body of international:

1) Amateur wrestling
2) Football
3) Lawn Tennis
4) Archery
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 452 Which of the following countries was formally adopted as a new member of the World Trade Organisation (WTO) in its ministerial conference held in Bali recently?

1) Uganda
2) Yemen
3) Romania
4) South Sudan
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 453 The International Human Solidarity Day is observed on:

1) 10 Dec
2) 18 Dec
3) 20 Dec
4) 22 Dec
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 454 The central govt has cleared a proposal for setting up of National Cancer Institute at which of the following campuses of All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), New Delhi, at a cost of Rs 2,035 cr?

1) Jhajjar
2) Patna
3) Guahati
4) Jaipur
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 455 As MSP stands for Minimum Support Price, what does MEP stands for:

1) Minimum Exchange Price
2) Minimum Exemption Price
3) Minimum Export Price
4) Minimum Export Price
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 456 The new book ‘Catch Up: Developing Countries in the World Economy’ has been authored by:

1) Deepak Nayyar
2) Supriya Dravid
3) Fatima Bhutto
4) Devdutt Pattnaik
5) Fahad Samar
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 457 Who among the following has been appointed as Director General of the premier "Black Cats" counter-terror force, National Security Guard (NSG) recently?

1) Dilip Trivedi
2) KF Rustomji
3) Arvind Ranjan
4) JN Choudhury
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 458 Who among the following will receive the Polly Umrigar Award, for being India's best international cricketer of 2012-13?

1) Abhishek Nayar
2) Ravichandran Ashwin
3) MS Dhoni
4) Cheteshwar Pujara
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 459 Which of the following currencies has the highest value in terms of rupee at present?

1) US dollar
2) Pound Sterling
3) Japanese Yen
4) Chinese Yuan
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 460 The five-day 21st National Children Science Congress is being held in which of the following cities? More than two thousand participants are taking part in this conference.

1) New Delhi
2) Bangalore
3) Bhopal
4) Kolkata
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 461 According to the think tank, the Centre for Economic and Business Research (CEBR), which of the following countries is expected to overtake Germany as the biggest economy of Europe by 2030?

1) France
2) Spain
3) Italy
4) Germany
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 462 Who among the following has been appointed the director general of the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) recently?

1) Dilip Trivedi
2) KF Rustomji
3) Arvind Ranjan
4) JN Choudhury
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 463 Who among the following will receive the Lala Amarnath Award at annual prize ceremony of BCCI, for being the best all-rounder in the 2012-13 edition of the Ranji Trophy?

1) Abhishek Nayar
2) Ravichandran Ashwin
3) MS Dhoni
4) Cheteshwar Pujara
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 464 Army has ordered martial proceedings against two officers and four others in 2010 Machchil fake encounter case which took place in the state of:

1) Gujarat
2) Manipur
3) Assam
4) Jammu and Kashmir
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 465 The United Nations (UN) has declared which of the following dates to be observed as the World Wildlife Day recently?

1) 3 Jan
2) 3 Feb
3) 3 Mar
4) 3 Apr
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 466 The govt approved increasing foreign shareholding in which of the following private sector banks from 49 per cent to 62 per cent recently? The approval would result in foreign investment of about Rs 7,250 cr in the country.

1) HDFC
2) Axis Bank
3) YES Bank
4) ICICI Bank
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 467 Which of the following software firms has unveiled a new tracking app 'Guardian' for its mobile operating system recently? It enables friends and family to track the user in real-time.

1) Microsoft
2) Google

3) Blackberry
4) Apple
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 468 As confirmed by the Credit rating agency Crisil, recently, which of the following cities is the most prosperous city in India?

1) Mumbai
2) Gurgaon
3) New Delhi
4) Bangalore
5) Ahmedabad
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 469 The term PPP stands for Public Private Partnership. It is also refers to:

1) Procurement Power Parity
2) Purchasing Power Parity
3) Public Purchasing Power
4) Public Purchasing Parity
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 470 The all-rounder Jacques Kallis, who has announced to retire from Test cricket recently, plays for which of the following countries?

1) Australia
2) New Zealand
3) England
4) West Indies
5) South Africa
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 471 S Jaishankar took charge as India's ambassador to which of the following countries recently?

1) China
2) UK
3) US
4) Japan
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 472 After the recent assembly elections, Arvind Kejriwal has been sworn in as the _____chief minister of Delhi recently.

1) Fourth
2) Fifth
3) Sixth
4) Seventh
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 473 Dept of Electronics launched E-inclusion programme recently. Examine the following with respect to this programme and choose the correct statement(s):

1) It is the initiative under the National e-Governance Plan (NeGP).
2) Under the project, economically weaker sections of the society including rural SC, ST and women will receive IT training.
3) It will make at least one individual in every household e-literate.
4) All the above
5) None of the above
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 474 Who among the following has won women's individual title of the 34th National Archery Championships recently?

1) Deepika Kumari
2) Dola Banerjee
3) Bombayla Devi Laishram
4) Jayanta Talukdar
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 475 Pran Chopra, who passed away recently, was a veteran:

1) Journalist
2) Author
3) Politician
4) Actor
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 476 The book titled 'Across Borders' has been authored by:

1) Kalyani Shankar
2) Devdutt Pattnaik
3) Fahad Samar
4) Shuvashree Ghosh
5) Srinath Raghavan
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 477 Who among the following has won the Al-Ain Classic International Open Chess tournament that

concluded in Al Ain in UAE recently?

1) Martin Kravitsiv **2)** Vasif Dararbayli
3) Baadur Jobava **4)** Abhijeet Gupta
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 478 The SAT has quashed and set aside a Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) order that barred Polaris Financial Technology Ltd chairman Arun Jain from market activities on charges of insider trading. What does SAT stands for?

1) Settlement Appellate Tribunal **2)** Systematic Appellate Tribunal
3) Securities Appellate Tribunal **4)** Scam Appellate Tribunal
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 479 What is mis-selling?

1) Selling a bad product **2)** Selling a new product to an existing customer
3) Selling a product which is not suitable for buyer's needs **4)** Preventing buyers from buying products of their choice
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 480 India has signed a Rs 4,000-cr deal with which of the following nations for procuring six additional C-130J Super Hercules Special Operations aircraft for the Indian Air Force recently?

1) Russia **2)** Russia
3) US **4)** Israel
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 481 Which of the following will not be considered a valid proof of address while opening an account with a bank?

1) PAN Card **2)** Driving Licence
3) Electricity Bill **4)** Voter ID
5) Property ownership paper **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 482 Which of the following states topped the recently released financial inclusion ranking 'Inclusix Index' prepared by CRISIL?

1) Gujarat **2)** Madhya Pradesh
3) Kerala **4)** Bihar
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 483 The latest book 'The Last Word' is authored by:

1) Hanif Kureishi **2)** VS Naipaul
3) Ravinder Singh **4)** Medha Patkar
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 484 The govt decided to grant two years' post-retirement extension to BP Rao recently and it happened for the first time that the head of a PSU was given an extension. He is the chairman of state-run:

1) IOC **2)** CIL
3) BHEL **4)** ONGC
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 485 Name the Russian city which was shaken by two bombs blasts on two consecutive days killing at least 31 people recently?

1) Sochi **2)** Volvograd
3) Moscow **4)** St Petersburg
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 486 The Foreign Investment Promotion Board (FIPB) approved the proposal to acquire shares for over Rs 10,000 cr by which of the following telecom majors operating in India making it one of the largest foreign investors in India recently?

1) Systema **2)** At & T

3) Vodafone **4)** Maxis
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 487 The Indian infrastructure major GMR Group has divested its 40% stake in which of the following international airports for Rs 1,910 cr recently?

1) Singapore **2)** Istanbul
3) Kuala Lumpur **4)** Mali
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 488 Who among the following has taken over as the new chairman of the chiefs of staff committee (CoSC) recently? The CoSC is the senior-most officer of the three (military) Services and is in-charge for looking after the joint issues related to them.

1) Arup Raha **2)** NAK Browne
3) Bikram Singh **4)** Devendra Kumar Joshi
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 489 The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) is probing who among the following, a present chief minister of an India state, in connection with graft charges and a sudden increase in his Income Tax returns?

1) Jayalalithaa Jayaram **2)** Shivraj Singh Chouhan
3) Raman Singh **4)** Manohar Parrikar
5) Virbhadra Singh **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 490 The world's first ATM machine, which can exchange digital currency 'bitcoins' for any official currency, has been installed at:

1) Shanghai **2)** Toronto
3) Los Angeles **4)** Tokyo
5) Vancouver **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 491 The term BTM stands for:

1) Business Transaction Management **2)** Business Technology Management
3) Business and Trade Management **4)** Business Tourism Management
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 492 The Govt of India, in its Year End Review 2013, has revealed that India is currently the _____ largest producer of crude steel in the world.

1) Second **2)** Third
3) Fourth **4)** Fifth
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 493 Chaparrastique volcano erupted in which of the following countries recently for the first time in 37 years?

1) Chile **2)** Indonesia
3) El Salvador **4)** Italy
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 494 What is the term used for the practice of replacing relatively high cost debt with that of lower cost borrowing to take advantage of falling interest rates?

1) Derivative **2)** Credit risk management
3) Debt swap **4)** Credit enhancement
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 495 In which of the following countries, controversial 'millionaire tax' is all set to be imposed as the country's highest court has upheld the latest version of the law? It has provision to levy companies paying salaries of more than 1 million euros a year?

1) China **2)** Russia
3) US **4)** France
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 496 BCIM is a strategic economic corridor proposed among the following countries:

1) Brazil, China, India and Myanmar
2) Brazil, China, India and Malaysia
3) Bangladesh, China, India and Myanmar
4) Bangladesh, China, India and Malaysia
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 497 Which of the following is correct regarding the recent clarification by the RBI regarding acceptance of notes by the banks in 2014?

1) Banks will accept currency notes with scribbling on it.
2) Banks will not accept currency notes with scribbling on it.
3) Only RBI's regional branches will accept currency notes with scribbling on it and not the banks.
4) Banks will accept currency notes with scribbling on it on half value only.
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 498 Which of the following countries formally joined the Euro Zone as the new member of the group which uses the Euro as its currency? It has become the European Union's fastest growing economy.

1) Albania
2) Serbia
3) Latvia
4) Slovenia
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 499 Yameen Abdul Gayoom, who visited New Delhi recently on a four-day official visit, is the newly-elected president of:

1) Malaysia
2) Azerbaijan
3) Maldives
4) Kyrgyzstan
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 500 In a major step towards allowing more autonomy to CBI, government has placed the agency's legal wing, Directorate of Prosecution, under the command of the CBI recently. Earlier, the legal wing used to report to:

1) Law Ministry
2) Home Ministry
3) PMO
4) Social Justice and Empowerment Ministry
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 501 Who among the following has cracked the fastest century in one-day international history recently, reaching three figures in just 36 deliveries playing against the West Indies?

1) Shane Watson
2) Rohit Sharma
3) Shahid Afridi
4) Corey Anderson
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 502 International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) has set which of the following dates in 2015 as deadline to phase out non-machine readable passports?

1) 24 Nov
2) 24 Dec
3) 24 Jan
4) 24 Feb
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 503 India and which of the golf countries has signed a pact, recently, to protect interests of Indian domestic sector workers working in the country?

1) Bahrain
2) Kuwait
3) Saudi Arabia
4) Iraq
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 504 Which of the following countries is all set to host first Wimbledon tennis event outside UK?

1) Australia
2) India
3) Japan
4) China
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 505 The much talked about health insurance cover, Obamacare, for millions of Americans come into effect recently. Which of the following is true about it?

1) Under the scheme, it is now compulsory for people to have health cover.
2) Those who cannot afford the cover will get help from the state.
3) Those who remain without any insurance, will be fined.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 506 What does the last letter 'P' denotes in the term STRIPS?

1) Principal
2) Preference
3) Product
4) Prevention
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 507 The Govt of India has terminated with immediate effect the Agreement signed in 2010 for the supply of 12 VVIP helicopters in the wake of a scam surfaced regarding the deal. The deal was signed with:

1) Kamov
2) AgustaWestland
3) Dassault Rafale
4) Lockheed Martin
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 508 Which of the following landmark laws came into effect on 1 Jan 2014?

1) National Food Security Bill, 2013
2) Lokpal Bill
3) Companies Bill, 2012
4) Land Acquisition Act
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 509 Which of the following statements is/are correct with respect to steel production in India?

1) India is the world's largest producer of Direct Reduced Iron (DRI) or Sponge Iron.
2) The steel sector contributes to nearly 2% of the GDP and employs over 5 lakh people.
3) The per capita steel consumption is 42 kg in 2012-13 in India.
4) Only 1) and 2)
5) Only 1) and 3)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 510 Which of the following is NOT sponsored by the govt of India?

1) ICICI Bank
2) NABARD
3) SIDBI
4) IDBI
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 511 China eased its stringent one-child policy, imposed more than three decades ago, recently. Now, _____ will be allowed to have two children.

1) Couples having first child with disability.
2) Couples where either parent has no siblings
3) Couples having a baby girl as first child.
4) Couples having combined income of at least 1 mn yuan per annum.
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 512 Who, at present, is the chairman of the Planning Commission?

1) Montek Singh Ahluwalia
2) Manmohan Singh
3) Raghuram Rajan
4) C Rangarajan
5) Kamal Nath
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 513 The Govt is mulling introducing provisions for removal of CBI Director who gets a fixed tenure of _____(min) after a 1997 Supreme Court order.

1) One year
2) Two years
3) Three years
4) Five years
5) Not fixed
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 514 Following the footstep of Bharatiya Mahila Bank, which of the following private insurers has become the first insurer to launch an all-women branch in an industry-first initiative?

1) Max Life
2) ING Vysya Life Insurance
3) ICICI Prudential
4) Bajaj Allianz
5) Birla Sun Life
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 515 The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) granted QCCP status to Clearing Corporation of India Ltd (CCIL) recently. QCCP stands for:

1) Queried Central Counterparty
2) Qualified Central Counterparty
3) Qualitative Central Counterparty
4) Quantitative Central Counterparty
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 516 As per the Green500 List announced at the Supercomputing Conference (SC 2013) in the US recently, which of the following rankings is correct with respect to India's own supercomputer PARAM Yuva II? It is:

1) most power efficient in India
2) ninth most power efficient in the Asia Pacific Region
3) 44th most power efficient in the world
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 517 The World Bank agreed to extend its support to which of the following state govts with an assistance program of about Rs 2,254 cr ($490 mn) for road and other projects over the coming two years?

1) Rajasthan
2) Madhya Pradesh
3) Odisha
4) Tamil Nadu
5) Kerala
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 518 Who among the following has been appointed the new president of the South Asian Federation of Accountants (SAFA) recently?

1) Vinod Rai
2) Subodh Kumar Agrawal
3) VN Kaul
4) Shashi Kant Sharma
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 519 China's first aircraft carrier completed its trial recently. Name the carrier.

1) Minsk
2) Kiev
3) Varyag
4) Liaoning
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 520 The book titled 'The Hundred Names of Darkness' has been authored by:

1) Nilanjana Roy
2) Srinath Perur
3) Frank Dikotter
4) Amish Tripathi
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 521 Who among the following has been appointed the new CEO of India's commodity exchange MCX-SX recently?

1) GK Pillai
2) Jignesh Shah
3) Joseph Massey
4) Saurabh Sarkar
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 522 Which of the following countries has developed its own satellite navigation system Beidou and is offering it free of cost to its neighbouring countries?

1) South Korea
2) Japan
3) Singapore
4) China
5) Malaysia
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 523 Who among the following has lifted the Chennai Open Tennis trophy recently?

1) Stanislas Wawrinka
2) Edouard Roger-Vasselin
3) Tomas Berdych
4) Richard Gasquet
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 524 Who among the following has won the Qatar Open Tennis Championship recently?

1) Juan Martín del Potro
2) Andy Murray
3) Gael Monfils
4) Rafael Nadal
5) Novak Djokovic
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 525 The Union Cabinet gave its nod for conferring constitutional status to the proposed Judicial Appointments Commission (JAC) recently. The Commission will be responsible for:

1) appointment and transfer of judges of lower judiciary.
2) appointment and transfer of judges of higher judiciary.
3) appointment of judges to non-judicial activities.
4) appointment of judges after their superannuation.
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 526 One of the best footballers of all time, Eusebio da Silva Ferreira, died recently. Nick named 'Black Panther', he was a _____.

1) French
2) British
3) Portuguese
4) Dutch
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 527 Who among the following regulates the capital market in India?

1) IRDA
2) SEBI
3) FMC
4) CERC
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 528 Which of the following Indian software firms has announced that it is setting up the world's largest corporate learning and development centre in India? It will have a total capacity to train 15,000 professionals at one time and 50,000 professionals annually.

1) Tech Mahindra
2) Wipro
3) Infosys
4) TCS
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 529 What does the term STRIPS stands for?

1) Systematic Trading of Registered Interest and Principle of Securities
2) Secure Trading of Registered Interest and Principle of Securities
3) Sectional Trading of Registered Interest and Principle of Securities
4) Separate Trading of Registered Interest and Principle of Securities
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 530 Which of the following countries, in 2011, gave birth to the Arab Spring? The country recently adopted new articles in its upcoming constitution which state that it is a "civil" republic and not an Islamic republic.

1) Libya
2) Tunisia
3) Egypt
4) Syria
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 531 The Centre approved the implementation of Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Project for Low Income States (RWSSP-LIS) recently. Which of the following states in NOT among the beneficiaries of the project which will be completed in 2019-20?

1) Assam
2) Bihar
3) Jharkhand
4) Uttar Pradesh
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 532 The Union Sports Ministry has finalised a new set of criteria to make the selection process for sports awards more transparent. Which of the following is true in this regard?

1) The 90 per cent weightage to sportspersons winning medals in the Olympics, Asian Games and Commonwealth Games.
2) For cricket and indigenous games, the selection committee will recommend the number of awards (not exceeding two).
3) In normal course not more than one award will be given in each discipline in a particular year
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 533 Who among the following has won the 2014 Brisbane International tennis title recently?

1) Lleyton Hewitt
2) Andy Murray

3) Gael Monfils
4) Rafael Nadal
5) Novak Djokovic
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 534 Which of the following is true with regard to the RBI's recent notification allowing Indian companies to issue non-convertible debentures?

1) It has allowed Indian companies to issue non-convertible or redeemable preference shares or debentures to non-resident shareholders as bonus.
2) The issue of preference shares, excluding non-convertible/redeemable preference shares and convertible debentures would be subject to Foreign Direct Investment Scheme.
3) So far, market regulator SEBI was granting permission for such issuances on a case-to-case basis.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 535 The 11-day long world famous Dhanu Yatra of Bargarh kicked off in Bargarh district in which of the following states recently?

1) Rajasthan
2) Tamil Nadu
3) Madhya Pradesh
4) Odisha
5) Gujarat
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 536 Which of the following countries successfully tested its advanced missile defense system Arrow 3 designed to intercept missiles closer to their launch sites? The system is expected to be operational around 2016.

1) US
2) Israel
3) China
4) Japan
5) South Korea
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 537 As per the RBI norms, domestic banks in India are required to tender 40 per cent of their advances towards priority sector. The above limit for the foreign banks (with less than 20 branches) operating in India is:

1) 30 per cent
2) 32 per cent
3) 35 per cent
4) 40 per cent
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 538 Which of the following is NOT a money/finance related term?

1) Knot
2) Demerger
3) Divestment
4) M-Cap
5) Actuaries
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 539 King Jigme Khesar Namgyel Wangchuck, who came to India on a five-day official visit recently, is the present king of:

1) Japan
2) Spain
3) Bhutan
4) Thailand
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 540 EEFC is an account maintained in foreign currency. It stands for:

1) Exchange Earners' Foreign Currency Account
2) Extra Earners' Foreign Currency Account
3) External Exchange Foreign Currency Account
4) End Earners' Foreign Currency Account
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 541 Who among the following has taken over as new president of NASSCOM?

1) Phaneesh Murthy
2) Kris Gopalakrishnan
3) Lakshmi Narayanan
4) R Chandrashekhar
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 542 Who among the following has won the Open du Gard squash title at Nimes, France recently?

1) Mahesh Mangaonkar
2) Ammar Altamimi
3) Scot Greg Lobban
4) Jan Koukal
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 543 Name the shuttler who has become the first male junior badminton player from India to be ranked No. 1 in the world. He got the number one slot in the Jan rankings of the World Badminton Federation (WBF).

1) Parupalli Kashyap
2) Valiyaveetil Diju
3) Chetan Anand
4) Aditya Joshi
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 544 The Supreme Court of which of the following countries, in a recent landmark judgment, has given voters the right to cast negative votes during the parliamentary or local elections?

1) Bangladesh
2) Egypt
3) Myanmar
4) Nepal
5) Nepal
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 545 Which of the following political parties has won the recently held parliamentary elections in Bangladesh?

1) Bangladesh Nationalist Party
2) Awami League
3) Bangladesh Jatiya Party
4) Bangladesh Muslim League
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 546 When a person wants to save money for longer period of time with a view to earn higher rate of interest, he/she should open which of the following types of accounts?

1) Savings account
2) Current account
3) Deposit account
4) Recurring account
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 547 The Sakala programme, that guarantees time bound delivery of services to citizens by govt departments, has won National award under outstanding performance in citizen centric service delivery category recently. The scheme has been launched by:

1) Madhya Pradesh
2) Bihar
3) Gujarat
4) Rajasthan
5) Karnataka
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 548 The three-day 12th Pravasi Bharatiya Diwas (PBD) was held in which of the following cities recently? The Chief Guest this year was Malaysian Minister of Natural Resource and Environment, YB Datuk Seri Palanivel.

1) Kochi
2) Bangalore
3) New Delhi
4) Chennai
5) Hyderabad
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 549 The Delhi High Court held that the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) can audit the accounts of _____under the relevant provisions of the law.

1) Private educational institutions
2) Private telecom operators
3) NGOs
4) MNCs
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 550 Which of the following countries has introduced visa-on-arrival facility for visiting Indian tourists recently? The facility is applicable to Indians travelling to this country from a third country.

1) Indonesia
2) Singapore
3) Malaysia
4) Thailand
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 551 India is a member of which of the following organisations?

1) SAARC
2) SCO
3) APEC
4) ASEAN
5) None of the above
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 552 Which of the following banks has agreed to pay USD 1.7bn to victims of the convicted fraudster, Bernard Madoff following a settlement with US prosecutors? The bank is accused of not maintaining an effective anti-money laundering programme.

1) Standard Chartered
2) City Bank
3) JP Morgan
4) Bank of America
5) HSBC
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 553 Banks are likely to start charging customers for more than a certain number of transactions a month. As of now, what number of transactions are offered free by banks at own ATMs?

1) Five
2) Ten
3) Fifteen
4) There is no cap
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 554 As per the guidelines of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), banks are obliged to maintain secrecy in case of which of the following accounts?

1) Only existing deposit accounts
2) Only existing loan accounts
3) Only closed accounts
4) All types of deposit/loan accounts (existing/closed)
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 555 According to the Justice MB Shah Commission report on illegal mining in the Odisha, its good quality iron ore reserves will last for how many years at present rate of extraction?

1) 10 yrs
2) 20 yrs
3) 30 yrs
4) 40 yrs
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 556 Itsunori Onodera, who was in India recently on an official visit, is the defence minister of which among the following countries?

1) Japan
2) Thailand
3) Singapore
4) Philippines
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 557 Who among the following has been invited as the chief guest at 65th Republic Day parade at Rajpath in Delhi?

1) Shinzo Abe (Japan)
2) Akihito and Michiko (Japan)
3) Jigme Khesar Namgyel Wangchuck (Bhutan)
4) Abdulla Yameen (Maldives)
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 558 Global competitiveness report is published by:

1) World Economic Forum
2) World Bank
3) IMF
4) European Central Bank
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 559 What is the expanded form of SFIO?

1) Serious Fraud Intervention Office
2) Serial Fraud Investigation Office
3) Serious Fraud Investigation Office
4) Securities Fraud Investigation Office
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 560 A nine-member panel has been tasked to review the framework on external commercial borrowings (ECBs) and foreign currency convertible bonds (FCCBs). The panel will be headed by:

1) Bimal Jalan
2) MS Sahoo
3) Y Venugopal Reddy
4) C Rangarajan
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 561 What is the foreign direct investment (FDI) cap for existing pharma firms in India stipulated by the govt at present?

1) 26 per cent
2) 49 per cent
3) 74 per cent
4) 100 per cent
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 562 With the successful launch of GSLV-D5 recently, India has entered into a select group of nations (cryo club) which have developed their own cryogenic rocket engine technology. Which of the following is NOT a member of the club?

1) US
2) Germany
3) Japan
4) China
5) Russia
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 563 The teams of the 14th Finance Commission are visiting different states to assess their needs. Who among the following is Chairman of the 14th Finance Commission?

1) S Venkitaramanan
2) YB Reddy
3) IG Patel
4) C Rangarajan
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 564 A committee set up by the RBI has drawn up a plan to overhaul the Indian banking landscape including providing all resident Indians above 18 years of age with full-service bank accounts by Jan 1, 2016. The Committee was headed by:

1) KV Kamath
2) CB Bhave
3) Narayanan Vaghul
4) Bimal Jalan
5) Nachiket Mor
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 565 When banks undertake insurance business on risk participation basis by setting up insurance joint ventures, it is termed as:

1) Bancassurance
2) Under-writing
3) Agency
4) Dealership
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 566 The animal rights body People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) India has named who among the following as the Person of the Year for 2013 recently?

1) Shashi Tharoor
2) Hrithik Roshan
3) Maneka Gandhi
4) Sachin Pilot
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 567 South Korean steel maker Posco has received environment clearance for its Rs 52,000 cr steel plant after remaining in the pipeline for the past eight years. The plant is to be set up in which of the following states?

1) West Bengal
2) Karnataka
3) Odisha
4) Jharkhand
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 568 We often read about the term CCEA in financial newspapers. What does CCEA stands for?

1) Cabinet Committee on Economic Affiliations
2) Cabinet Committee on External Affairs
3) Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs
4) Cabinet Committee on Environment Affairs
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 569 Which of the following is NOT a money market instrument?

1) Treasury Bills
2) Commercial Paper
3) Certificate of Deposit
4) Term Money
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 570 Under the Basic Savings Bank Deposit Account (BSBDA) scheme of the RBI, any individual can open zero balance account in which of the following banks?

1) Public sector banks
2) Private sector banks
3) Foreign banks operating in India
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 571 The book titled '1971: A Global History of The Creation of Bangladesh' has been authored by who among the following?

1) Srinath Raghavan
2) Fahad Samar

3) Devdutt Pattnaik **4)** Talmiz Ahmad
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 572 Which of the following teams has lifted both the Men's (Barna Ballack Cup) and Women's (Jayalakshmi Cup) Team titles of the 75th Senior National Table Tennis Championships recently in Patna?

1) West Bengal **2)** Petroleum Sports Promotion Board (PSPB)
3) Airport Authority of India (AAI) **4)** Railways Sports Board (RSPB)
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 573 Name the event organised by the Department of Disability Affairs under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Govt of India during 15 – 16 Jan, 2014 in New Delhi showcasing the abilities of Persons with Disabilities.

1) SAMARTH 2014 **2)** SAKSHAM 2014
3) SAATHI 2014 **4)** SAMBAL 2014
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 574 The govt has decided to form an Exchange Traded Fund (ETF) comprising scrips of 11 bluechip state-owned firms with a view to garnering _____from the market this fiscal.

1) Rs 2,500 cr **2)** Rs 3,000 cr
3) Rs 3,500 cr **4)** Rs 4,000 cr
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 575 The controversial sportsperson Ranjit Maheshwari was nominated for Arjuna Award but was not given the award because of an old doping case against him. He is associated with:

1) Discus throw **2)** Triple jump
3) Archery **4)** Boxing
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 576 Which of the following railway stations entered Limca Book of Records for world's longest platform (1,355.40 metres) recently?

1) Kharagpur **2)** Gorakhpur
3) Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus **4)** Patna
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 577 Name the country in which the United Nations and its humanitarian partners have launched "No Lost Generation" initiative to save millions of children amidst long civil war there.

1) Egypt **2)** Mali
3) Nigeria **4)** South Sudan
5) Syria **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 578 What does letter 'N' denote in the word 'FINO', a term we see frequently in financial newspapers?

1) Network **2)** Negotiable
3) National **4)** News
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 579 Indian workers residing in Emigration Check Required (ECR) countries will soon be able to avail life insurance and pension benefits under Mahatma Gandhi Pravasi Suraksha Yojana (MGPSY). This scheme was first launched in:

1) Kuwait **2)** Bahrain
3) Qatar **4)** UAE
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 580 Which of the following terms is used in the field of economy?

1) Rhetoric **2)** Provenance
3) Escrow **4)** Sudden death
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 581 National Youth Festival is held on the occasion of the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda every year and his birthday is observed as the National Youth Day which falls on:

1) 2 Jan
2) 10 Jan
3) 12 Jan
4) 18 Jan
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 582 Multi-lateral funding agency World Bank has announced to provide loan to construct disaster resilient houses and road in cyclonic disaster hit Uttarakhand. What is the amount of the loan?

1) USD 250 mn
2) USD 280 mn
3) USD 320 mn
4) USD 350 mn
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 583 Who among the following is NOT among the recipients of the Pravasi Bharatiya Samman Award conferred at 12th Pravasi Bharatiya Diwas in New Delhi?

1) Ramakrishna Mission, Fiji
2) Lisa Maria Singh, Australia
3) Kurian Varghese, Bahrain
4) Vasdev Chanchlani, Canada
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 584 Which of the following banks is NOT a Govt-owned bank?

1) Andhra Bank
2) IDBI
3) Indian Bank
4) Indusind Bank
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 585 The 25 paise coin, popularly known as 'chavanni', ceased to be legal tender from:

1) Jul 2009
2) Jul 2010
3) Jul 2011
4) Jul 2012
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 586 President Pranab Mukherjee addressed the 48th Convocation of Indian Statistical Institute recently. The institute is situated in which of the following places?

1) New Delhi
2) Chennai
3) Kolkata
4) Hyderabad
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 587 Who among the following can set up an overseas banking unit in Special Economic Zones (SEZs)?

1) Public Sector Banks
2) Private Sector Banks
3) Foreign Banks
4) Any of the above
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 588 Which of the following is correct with respect to the notification issued by the govt regarding National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) set up under the new Companies Act?

1) Its chairperson will be entitled to fixed monthly pay of Rs 90,000 besides other allowances.
2) It would be the appellate body for National Company Law Tribunal.
3) It will replace the Company Law Board.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 589 The name of Ashraf Jehan was in news recently for being the first female _____ of Pakistan.

1) judge of national Shariah court
2) advocate of the Supreme Court
3) chairperson of Human Rights Commission
4) Inspector General of Police of a province
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 590 Which of the following countries is the world's largest tobacco consumer which ordered its govt officials not to smoke in public places recently?

1) India
2) Australia
3) UK
4) Germany
5) China
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 591 What does letter 'S' denote in the abbreviation SUUTI, a term we often read in financial newspapers?

1) Securities **2)** Specified
3) Series **4)** Serious
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 592 Vijay Zol has been selected to lead India in ICC Under-19 World Cup scheduled to be held in:

1) Sri Lanka **2)** United Arab Emirates (UAE)
3) Australia **4)** South Africa
5) England **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 593 Footprints of Dinosaurs have been spotted in which of the following districts of Rajasthan recently?

1) Jaipur **2)** Jodhpur
3) Bikaner **4)** Jaisalmer
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 594 Ariel Sharon, who died recently, was the former Prime Minister of which of the following countries?

1) Israel **2)** England
3) Australia **4)** Canada
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 595 Centre has decided to provide an additional wage employment beyond the stipulated 100 days under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) for Scheduled Tribe households in forest areas. It will be for:

1) 20 days **2)** 30 days
3) 40 days **4)** 50 days
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 596 The Capital Adequacy Framework prescribed for banks is commonly known as:

1) Basel Accord **2)** Credit Policy
3) KYC Norms **4)** Monetary Policy
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 597 Which of the following terms/names is not associated with banking/financial terminology?

1) Automated Clearing House **2)** Credit Default Swaps
3) Double fault **4)** Provision Coverage Ratio
5) Market Stabilisation Scheme **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 598 As announced by its chairman Nandan Nilekani, Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) plans to cover over _____residents with Aadhaar numbers in 2014.

1) 20 crore **2)** 30 crore
3) 40 crore **4)** 50 crore
5) 60 crore **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 599 In a move that will benefit about 5 crore subscribers, retirement fund body EPFO has decided to increase the rate of interest on Provident Fund deposits to _____for 2013-14.

1) 8.25 per cent **2)** 8.50 per cent
3) 8.75 per cent **4)** 9.00 per cent
5) 9.25 per cent **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 600 India declared itself free from which of the following diseases for the third consecutive year without a single new case of the disease?

1) Measles **2)** Chickenpox
3) Polio **4)** Bird flu
5) Rickets **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 601 Prime Minister Manmohan Singh laid the foundation of 2,800 Megawatt nuclear power plant in Fatehabad district of _____recently.

1) Haryana **2)** Punjab
3) Andhra Pradesh **4)** Madhya Pradesh
5) Odisha **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 602 In the second largest deal in its history, Google Inc announced a $3.2 bn deal to buy which of the following tech firms recently?

1) Motorola **2)** Nest Labs
3) HTC **4)** AT&T
5) Acer **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 603 Banks are planning to ask the RBI to lift the cap on borrowing under the daily Liquidity Adjustment Facility (LAF). Currently, banks can borrow what per cent of net demand and time liabilities (NDTL) from the LAF window?

1) 0.5 per cent **2)** 1 per cent
3) 1.5 per cent **4)** 2 per cent
5) 2.5 per cent **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 604 Michelle Bachelet was officially declared as president-elect to be sworn in on 11 Mar in which of the following countries recently?

1) Chad **2)** Spain
3) Chile **4)** Norway
5) New Zealand **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 605 The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has eased the norms for extending loans against gold jewellery as collateral allowing non-banking finance companies (NBFCs) to give a loan up to _____of the gold value.

1) 50 per cent **2)** 65 per cent
3) 70 per cent **4)** 75 per cent
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 606 As revealed by the Prime Minister Office (PMO) recently, the average life expectancy of people in the country has increased by 5 years since 2004 to:

1) 63.9 years **2)** 69.6 years
3) 71.2 years **4)** 82.3 years
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 607 The central govt, which faces the uphill task of meeting Rs 40,000-cr disinvestment target this year, will get Rs 16,485.71 cr as royalty for its 90 per cent stake from the Maharatna company:

1) CIL **2)** Oil India
3) IOC **4)** ONGC
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 608 Name the South Korean President who came to New Delhi on a four-day visit recently.

1) Roh Moo-hyun **2)** Ahn Cheol-soo
3) Lee Myung-bak **4)** Park Geun-hye
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 609 Name the Indian sportswoman whose silver medal at the World Athletics Final in 2005 was elevated to gold by the International Association of Athletics Federations recently as gold winner Tatyana Kotova was disqualified for doping.

1) Kunjarani Devi **2)** Karnam Malleswari
3) Tintu Luka **4)** Anju B George
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 610 The banks put some amount from their pre-tax income aside in a separate account to build a corpus for such loans which may become non-performing assets (NPAs). This practice is termed as

1) Statutory Liquidity Ratio **2)** Cash Reserve Ratio
3) Provisioning **4)** Currency chest

5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 611 What is the term used for currency wherein its value is allowed to fluctuate according to the foreign exchange markets?

1) Fixed currency **2)** Floating currency
3) Cool currency **4)** Hot currency
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 612 The Supreme Court directed the govt to place the Justice Shah Commission's report before it. The Commission was set up on which of the following issues in Odisha and Jharkhand?

1) coal block allocation **2)** poaching
3) illegal mining **4)** child labour menace
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 613 The Indian Army celebrated the 66th Army Day, celebrated in recognition of Lt General KM Cariappa's taking over as the first commander-in-chief of the India Army, recently on:

1) 7 Jan **2)** 8 Jan
3) 13 Jan **4)** 15 Jan
5) 16 Jan **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 614 The RBI announced to launch Inflation Indexed National Saving Securities-Cumulative (IINSS-C) recently for which the minimum limit of investment per applicant per annum is:

1) Rs 5,000 **2)** Rs 10,000
3) Rs 15,000 **4)** Rs 25,000
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 615 Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority (Irda) has set up a ten-member committee to look into having 100% Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in insurance intermediaries and Third Party Administrators (TPAs). The Committee will be headed by:

1) TS Vijayan **2)** Usha Sangwan
3) Sushobhan Sarker **4)** SK Roy
5) Suresh Mathur **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 616 What is India's ranking globally in the recently released 2014 Index of Economic Freedom? The index is published annually by the Heritage Foundation and the Wall Street Journal.

1) 48th **2)** 52th
3) 79th **4)** 102th
5) 120th **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 617 The Indian coast guards conducted a joint exercise named "Sahyog-Kaijin-XI" with their counterparts from which of the following countries recently?

1) Russia **2)** China
3) Japan **4)** Australia
5) US **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 618 Which of the following countries has enacted a new law, Same Sex Marriage Prohibition Act, which criminalizes homosexual clubs, associations and organizations with penalties of up to 14 years in jail?

1) Chile **2)** Uganda
3) Nigeria **4)** Malaysia
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 619 The recently published book titled 'This Place' has been authored by who among the following?

1) Vikram Chandra **2)** Nighat M. Gandhi
3) Juliet Reynolds **4)** Amitabha Bagchi
5) Fatima Bhutto **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 620 The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) uses which of the following models for rating of Indian banks?

1) CAMEL
2) CAMELS
3) eRATING
4) BCBS
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 621 What is the term used for the bank which has only one office and it performs all its activities through that one branch?

1) Umbrella Banking
2) Union Banking
3) Unit Banking
4) Wholesale Banking
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 622 Which of the following oil companies has signed a MoU with the Institute of Rural Management-Anand (IRMA) to foray into milk production in the state of Assam?

1) Oil India Ltd (OIL)
2) Indian Oil Corporation (IOC)
3) Hindustan Petroleum
4) Bharat Petroleum
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 623 The Reserve Bank of India released the Financial Stability Report (FSR) – Dec 2013 recently. Aimed to create awareness about the vulnerabilities in the financial system, the FSR is published every:

1) month
2) two months
3) three months
4) four months
5) six months
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 624 The International Day of Commemoration in memory of the victims of the Holocaust is celebrated on which of the following dates?

1) 1 Jan
2) 9 Jan
3) 11 Jan
4) 19 Jan
5) 31 Jan
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 625 Who among the following has won the 2013 Fifa Player of the Year award Ballon d'Or recently?

1) Lionel Messi
2) Cristiano Ronaldo
3) Wayne Rooney
4) Arjen Robben
5) Franck Ribery
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 626 The govt has introduced a comprehensive regulatory framework for television rating agencies in India. Which of the following is correct in this regard?

1) All rating agencies including the existing ones shall obtain registration from the ministry of information and broadcasting.
2) The rating agency shall submit the detailed methodology to the govt and also publish it on its website.
3) Non-compliance of guidelines shall lead to forfeiture of Rs 1-cr bank guarantee in the first instance and the second instance shall lead to cancellation of registration.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 627 Market regulator SEBI has notified new norms called the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Collective Investment Schemes) (Amendment) Regulations, 2014 recently. Which of the following is correct in this regard?

1) It is now mandatory that all investments in the collective investment schemes (CIS) to be made in cash.
2) Entities charged with committing serious offences like illegal money pooling, insider trading and fraudulent trades would not be able to settle them anymore.
3) The new regulations have been notified with retrospective effect from 20th Apr 2007.
4) Only 1) and 2)
5) Only 2) and 3)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 628 Which of the following statements is/are correct with respect to International Development Association (IDA):

2) It helps the world's poorest countries in

1) It is a part of the World Bank.
2) providing interest-free loans with 25 years to maturity and a grace period of 5 years.
3) Established in 1960, it is headquartered in Frankfurt, Germany.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 629 Which of the following denominations of Indian currency notes is signed by the Finance Secretary of India?

1) Re 20
2) Rs 10
3) Rs 5
4) Rs 1
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 630 Which of the following instruments cannot be endorsed?

1) A bank draft
2) A promissory note
3) A fixed deposit receipt
4) A cheque
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 631 As per the govt's ordinance, any scheme or arrangement involving a corpus amount of _____or more will be deemed to be a Collective Investment Scheme (CIS) activity.

1) Rs 10 cr
2) Rs 20 cr
3) Rs 50 cr
4) Rs 100 cr
5) Rs 200 cr
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 632 The RBI announced to conduct open market operation (OMOs) recently. These operations are aimed to adjust the rupee liquidity conditions in the market by selling or purchasing which of the following?

1) Govt securities
2) Public Sector Banks (PSB)'s shares
3) Shares of bluechip PSUs
4) Gold
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 633 The recently published book titled 'Destruction of Hyderabad' has been authored by who among the following?

1) Frank Dikotter
2) AG Noorani
3) Nilanjana Roy
4) Paul Danahar
5) Vikram Chandra
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 634 What does letter 'P' denote in the abbreviation FIPB, a term we often read in financial newspapers?

1) Preference
2) Promotion
3) Protection
4) Prohibition
5) Proposal
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 635 The govt of India sponsored scheme RAY is associated with which of the following?

1) Housing
2) Child welfare
3) Skill development
4) Sanitation
5) Girl child protection
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 636 The World Trade Organisation (WTO) was earlier known as which of the following?

1) G-7
2) UNCTAD
3) GATT
4) FAO
5) IDA
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 637 According to the population-based study by the Indian Council for Medical Research (ICMR), which of the following cities in India has the largest number of child cancer cases?

1) Pune
2) Delhi
3) Chennai
4) Mumbai
5) Kolkata
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 638 Suchitra Sen, who died recently, was a legendary _____actress.

1) Marathi **2)** Bengali
3) Kannada **4)** Telugu
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 639 The World Hindi Diwas is celebrated on which of the following dates?

1) 10 Jan **2)** 12 Jan
3) 14 Jan **4)** 22 Jan
5) 24 Jan **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 640 YB Datuk Seri Palanivel was the chief guest at the 12th edition of the Pravasi Bharatiya Diwas held in New Delhi recently. A person of Indian origin (PIO), he is Minister of Natural Resources and Environment in:

1) Malaysia **2)** Indonesia
3) Fiji **4)** Trinidad and Tobago
5) Mauritius **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 641 Microsoft founder Bill Gates has been named as the most admired person on the planet in a poll conducted by YouGov for The Times in 13 countries. Who among the following Indians stood at fifth place in the same list?

1) Arvind Kejriwal **2)** Anna Hazare
3) Abdul Kalam **4)** Narendra Modi
5) Sachin Tendulkar **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 642 Who among the following industrialists has won USD 50,000 DSC prize for South Asian literature for his literary work 'Chronicles of a Corpse Bearer'?

1) Ratan Tata **2)** Cyrus Mistry
3) Anil Ambani **4)** Azim Premji
5) NR Narayana Murthy **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 643 Which of the following committees had recommended the concept of Universal Banking in India?

1) RH Khan Committee **2)** RN Malhotra Committee
3) Nayak Committee **4)** Tarapore Committee
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 644 The govt of India launched a scheme called RUSA with a fund of Rs 25,000 cr. RUSA is associated with:

1) Higher education **2)** Urban sanitation
3) Slum alleviation **4)** Rapid urbanization
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 645 Which of the following is NOT a risk associated with banks in India?

1) Liquidity risk **2)** Interest rate risk
3) Market risk **4)** Operational risk
5) None of these **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 646 After the state of Delhi announced to reduce the electricity bills by 50 per cent, which of the following states has announced to cut the power tariff by 10-20 per cent recently?

1) Gujarat **2)** Uttar Pradesh
3) Uttarakhand **4)** Maharashtra
5) Odisha **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 647 Which of the following countries has started the process to digitize most books published in the country before 2001 and making them available online for free? The copyright expires 70 years after the author's death in the country.

1) UK **2)** US
3) South Korea **4)** Spain
5) Norway **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 648 Viktor Yanukovich, who is facing stiff protest from the opposition in country for spurning alliance with the European Union, is the current president of which of the following countries? He signed off on a series of tough bills against public protests recently.

1) Ukraine
2) Tajikistan
3) Kazakhstan
4) Kyrgyzstan
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 649 Which of the following state govts has requested UNESCO to declare the historic 'Junbeel Mela' a heritage festival and Morigaon district a heritage site recently? Junbeel Mela is "the rarest of the rarest festivals" where both tribals and non-tribals practise a barter system for exchanging agricultural produce in a festive manner.

1) Himachal Pradesh
2) Assam
3) Manipur
4) Mizoram
5) Nagaland
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 650 The central govt has directed the implementation of 150 days of wage employment be provided under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), to Scheduled Tribe households living in _____areas.

1) forest
2) flood affected
3) draught affected
4) north-eastern
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 651 In order to enhance bilateral trade, India and Pakistan agreed on NDMA programme in place of the Most Favoured Nation (MFN) regime. What does NDMA stands for?

1) Non-Discriminatory Mandatory Access
2) Non-Discriminatory Marketing Accession
3) Non-Discriminatory Market Authorisation
4) Non-Discriminatory Mercantile Accord
5) Non-Discriminatory Market Access
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 652 Seeking to boost manufacturing sector, Govt has extended the benefits of the NMP throughout the country wherever industry can organise itself into clusters and adopt a self regulatory model. What does MNP stands for?

1) National Marketing Policy
2) National Manufacturing Policy
3) National Maintenance Policy
4) National Manufacturing Practice
5) National Manufacturing Promotion
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 653 India is a member of which of the following organisations?

1) SAARC
2) APEC
3) OPEC
4) SCO
5) Both 1) and 4)
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 654 In which of the following countries an overwhelming 98.1 per cent of voters approved the new constitution in a nationwide referendum, widely seen as a vote on a likely presidential bid by army chief Gen Abdel Fattah El-Sisi?

1) Yemen
2) Libya
3) Egypt
4) Tunisia
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 655 The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has constituted an expert committee to review governance of boards of banks under the chairmanship of:

1) PJ Nayak
2) C Rangarajan
3) Y Venugopal Reddy
4) Bimal Jalan
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 656 Afghanistan is likely to join the World Trade Organization (WTO) soon. The international organization, which deals with the rules of trade between nations, has currently _____nations as members.

1) 148
2) 150
3) 152
4) 158
5) 160
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 657 China's economy (the world's second-largest) grew at its slowest pace in 14 years in 2013 according to the latest figures. Its gross domestic product (GDP) expanded _____from a year ago.

1) 6.2 per cent
2) 6.7 per cent
3) 7.3 per cent
4) 7.7 per cent
5) 8.6 per cent
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 658 The book titled 'The New Middle East: After the Arab Spring' has been written by who among the following?

1) Supriya Dravid
2) Juliet Reynolds
3) Paul Danahar
4) Devdutt Pattnaik
5) Srinath Raghavan
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 659 The Financial Stability and Development Council (FSDC), the apex body of the financial sector regulators in India, is led by

1) The governor of RBI
2) The Finance Minister
3) The Prime Minister
4) The Law Minister
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 660 Which of the following is a financial contract that derives its value from other financial products?

1) Swap
2) Arbitrage
3) Option
4) Derivatives
5) Futures
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 661 Name the Indian-American who has been awarded with Baylor University's '2014 Robert Foster Cherry Award' for Great Teaching. It is the only teaching award in the US that carries the single largest monetary reward of $250,000.

1) Jaishankar Ganesh
2) V Ramanathan
3) Meera Chandrasekhar
4) Anjani Jain
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 662 As per the National Manufacturing Policy (NMP) 2011, the govt aims at raising the share of manufacturing sector to 25 per cent of GDP by _____from the current 16 per cent.

1) 2018
2) 2020
3) 2022
4) 2024
5) 2030
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 663 Which of the following technology firms has joined the elite club of Rs 1 trillion market-cap firms as the newest firm recently?

1) Tata Consultancy Services (TCS)
2) Infosys
3) Wipro
4) HCL Technologies
5) Tech Mahindra
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 664 It is required for an infrastructure finance company to deploy what per cent of its total assets in infrastructure loans?

1) 26
2) 51
3) 75
4) 90
5) 100
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 665 The scheduled tribe (ST) status of Mukul Sangma was challenged by political rivals and the Supreme Court asked the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes to verify the authenticity recently. He is the present Chief Minister of which of the following states?

1) Meghalaya
2) Mizoram
3) Manipur
4) Assam
5) Tripura
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 666 Which of the following pairs is not correctly matched?

1) Goswami Committee – Industrial sickness and

exit policy

2) S Padmanabhan – Banking supervision

3) KS Shere – Electronic Fund Transfer

4) SS Tarapore – Reforms in small savings

5) None of these

Ans.) 4

Ques. : 667 A new bill has been introduced in the parliament of which of the following countries that will give police special powers to maintain public order in Little India area which was the scene of the worst riot in 40 years in the country recently?

1) Thailand

2) Indonesia

3) Malaysia

4) Singapore

5) Bhutan

Ans.) 4

Ques. : 668 In the largest trial ever held in the country, a court in which of the following countries has sentenced 30 people to death over heroin smuggling recently?

1) Chile

2) Norway

3) Vietnam

4) Rhodesia

5) Rwanda

Ans.) 3

Ques. : 669 The govt launched the ambitious National Urban Health Mission (NUHM) recently. Which of the following is correct about the mission?

1) It is aimed at providing adequate and efficient urban public health delivery system for the urban poor.

2) It would cover 779 urban areas with over 50,000 population across the country by Mar 2015.

3) The central govt will share 50 per cent of the cost to implement the programme.

4) All the above

5) Only 1) and 2)

Ans.) 5

Ques. : 670 Akhilesh Das Gupta was unanimously re-elected as President of which of the following sports bodies in the country recently?

1) Badminton Association of India (BAI)

2) Indian Olympic Association (IOA)

3) All India Football Federation (AIFF)

4) Archery Association of India (AAI)

5) None of these

Ans.) 1

Ques. : 671 Which of the following is NOT correct about the India's strategic missile Agni-IV which was successfully test-fired recently?

1) It is a nuclear-capable strategic missile and has a strike range of about 4,000 km.

2) The missile cannot be launched from a road-mobile launcher which is its biggest disadvantage.

3) It has two stages of solid propulsion.

4) It has a re-entry heat shield which can withstand temperature of more than 3000 degree Celsius.

5) The state-of-the-art Ring Laser Gyros based high accuracy INS (INS) and Micro Navigation System (MINGS) have been incorporated into the missile system.

Ans.) 2

Ques. : 672 The Formula One administration has confirmed which of the following Grand Prix to be a night race under floodlights? It will become the second evening race.

1) New Delhi Grand Prix

2) Singapore Grand Prix

3) Chinese Grand Prix

4) Malaysian Grand Prix

5) German Grand Prix

Ans.) 2

Ques. : 673 The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has approved the proposal for increase in foreign investment to 74 per cent for which of the following private banks recently? The increase is subject to the aggregate foreign institutional investors (FIIs) shareholding cap.

1) Indusind Bank

2) Federal Bank

3) Kotak Mahindra Bank

4) Yes Bank

5) Saraswat Bank

Ans.) 2

Ques. : 674 In a major overhaul of foreign investment regime, the govt is considering splitting overseas inflows into two categories - Foreign Portfolio Investment (FPI) and Foreign Direct Investment (FDI). The proposal is being considered by the _____panel.

1) Arvind Mayaram
2) Anand Sinha
3) Subir Gokarn
4) KCChakrabarty
5) Usha Thorat
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 675 The annual meeting of World Economic Forum (WEF) was held in which of the following cities recently?

1) Paris
2) Toronto
3) Davos
4) Oslo
5) Frankfurt
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 676 Instead of fixing the price of new shares by a company, inviting bids and allowing the market to fix the price of shares is called:

1) Open Offer
2) Offer For Sale
3) Book-building
4) Price search
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 677 Nageswara Rao, who passed away recently, was a legendary _____actor.

1) Bengali
2) Marathi
3) Tamil
4) Telugu
5) Malayalam
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 678 Which of the following biodiversity hotspots has been named 'destination flyways' by United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) following its inclusion in a list of eight such sites worldwide recently? It is the only site to be selected from Asia.

1) Sundarbans
2) Wular Lake
3) Western Ghats
4) Chilika lagoon
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 679 The Supreme Court has laid down 12 guidelines for authorities in dealing with death-row prisoners recently. Which of the following is NOT true in this regard?

1) All the required documents and records should be sent to the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) in one stroke instead of piece-meal basis.
2) The MHA should convey its recommendations to the President "within a reasonable and rational time."
3) The rejection of mercy plea by the President should be communicated to prisoners in writing.
4) There should be a gap of 30 days between receipt of communication of rejection of mercy petition and execution date.
5) The post-mortem of death convicts after their hanging has been made obligatory.
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 680 For the first time, India is also participating in a UN-sponsored international conference on Syria to resolve the crisis and find a political solution to the conflict in the Arab country. Name the conference.

1) Vienna-I
2) Paris-II
3) London-I
4) Geneva-II
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 681 The temporary loans from the RBI to the govt given time-to-time to bridge the interval between expenditure and receipts, is called:

1) Dated Securities
2) Gilt edged securities
3) Ways and means advances
4) Treasury bills
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 682 The National Voters' Day is celebrated every year on which of the following dates in India?

1) 21 Jan
2) 22 Jan
3) 23 Jan
4) 24 Jan
5) 25 Jan
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 683 The United Nations World Tourism Organisation (UNWTO) awarded 'Ulysses Award' for Innovation in Public Policy and Governance, the highest honour given to the govt bodies for shaping global tourism policies through innovative initiatives, to the tourism department of which of the following states recently?

1) Kerala
2) Andhra Pradesh
3) Goa
4) West Bengal
5) Odisha
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 684 The RBI expert panel which has suggested adoption of new Consumer Price Index (CPI) for anchoring monetary policy in the country among others, was headed by who among the following?

1) Kamalesh Chandra Chakrabarty
2) Harun Rashid Khan
3) Urjit Patel
4) Anand Sinha
5) Subir Gokarn
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 685 The recently published book named 'Helium' has been penned by who among the following?

1) Jaspreet Singh
2) Fatima Bhutto
3) Nighat M Gandhi
4) Amitabha Bagchi
5) Vikram Chandra
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 686 Who among the following is not a deputy governor of the RBI at present?

1) Urjit R Patel
2) HR Khan
3) Anand Sinha
4) Arvind Mayaram
5) KC Chakrabarty
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 687 Kailash Meghwal has been elected as Speaker of the newly elected state legislative assembly of which of the following states?

1) Delhi
2) Rajasthan
3) Mizoram
4) Madhya Pradesh
5) Uttarakhand
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 688 The research ship Akademik Shokalskiy, which was trapped in thick ice in Antarctica recently, was finally been rescued recently. The ship belongs to which of the following countries?

1) Spain
2) Germany
3) Russia
4) Ukraine
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 689 Which of the following countries has introduced new restrictions on online shopping as part of efforts to stop foreign currency reserves from falling any further? Anyone buying items through international websites will now need to sign a declaration and produce it at a customs office.

1) Indonesia
2) Malaysia
3) Argentina
4) Brazil
5) Thailand
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 690 The term 'Rolling Settlement' is associated with which of the following?

1) Settlement of pending dues by borrowers of banks
2) Payment of govt securities
3) Trading at stock exchanges
4) Pre-payment of loans with the banks
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 691 The Sakala scheme that ensures timely govt services to the citizens, is running in which of the following states at present?

1) Madhya Pradesh
2) Gujarat
3) Bihar
4) Karnataka
5) Kerala
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 692 The National Girl Child Day is observed on which of the following dates annually?

1) 24 Jan
2) 26 Jan

3) 31 Jan **4)** 22 Feb
5) 26 Feb **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 693 Name the Indian-origin academician who has been appointed dean of the prestigious Harvard College and will take over his new role in Jul.

1) Soumitra Dutta **2)** Dipak Jain
3) Rakesh Khurana **4)** Sunil Kumar
5) Nitin Nohria **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 694 The book titled 'This Place' has been authored by who among the following?

1) Amitabha Bagchi **2)** AG Noorani
3) Paul Danahar **4)** Vikram Chandra
5) Nighat M Gandhi **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 695 In a move that is likely to hit currency hoarders and counterfeiters, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has decided to withdraw from circulation all currency notes issued prior to _____ as they do not have on them the year of printing on the reverse side.

1) 2000 **2)** 2002
3) 2005 **4)** 2009
5) 2011 **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 696 India and which of the following countries are building the third satellite, a state-of-the-art satellite for earth observation for climate change, after they have successfully designed Megha-Tropiques in 2011 and SARAL-AltiKa in 2013?

1) US **2)** Germany
3) Japan **4)** France
5) Russia **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 697 Which of the following states celebrated its 44th statehood day on 25 Jan?

1) Madhya Pradesh **2)** Arunachal Pradesh
3) Himachal Pradesh **4)** Uttar Pradesh
5) Andhra Pradesh **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 698 Which of the following cites hosted the annual two-day conference of central and state statistical organizations recently?

1) Panaji **2)** Kolkata
3) Chennai **4)** Hyderabad
5) New Delhi **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 699 Which of the following helps the banks and other lenders in sharing the information about the credit history of individuals?

1) CRISIL **2)** CIBIL
3) Banking Codes and Standard Board of India **4)** All the above
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 700 The term 'golden handshake' is associated with which of the following?

1) Merger and acquisition **2)** Free trade agreement
3) Voluntary retirement benefits **4)** Share market
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 701 Who among the following will take over as the new Chairman of the National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) from 1 Mar?

1) Amrita Patel **2)** T Nanda Kumar
3) Vipul Chaudhary **4)** MGVK Bhanu
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 702 Who among the following has won the men's single title of the 2014 edition of the Australia Open tennis

tournament recently?

1) Rafael Nadal
2) Stanislas Wawrinka
3) Roger Federer
4) Horia Tacau
5) Daniel Nestor
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 703 Name the shuttler who has clinched the women's singles title of the Syed Modi International India Grand Prix Gold badminton tournament recently?

1) PV Sindhu
2) Saina Nehwal
3) Chen Qingchen
4) Jia Yi Fan
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 704 Laimdota Straujuma has become the first woman Prime Minister of which of the following countries recently?

1) Latvia
2) Eretria
3) Slovakia
4) Slovenia
5) Serbia
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 705 The procedure for PAN allotment will undergo a change from the 3rd of Feb as applicant will have to submit self-attested copies of Identity Proof, Address Proof and Date of Birth documents. What is the expanded form of PAN?

1) Payment Accreditation Number
2) Permanent Accreditation Number
3) Payment Account Number
4) Permanent Authorisation Number
5) Permanent Account Number
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 706 Which of the following is NOT correct with respect to the Indian currency?

1) The Rs 5-note was the first paper currency issued by RBI in Jan 1938.
2) At present, notes of Rs 10; Rs 100; Rs 500; and Rs 1,000 are only printed.
3) The printing of Re 1, Rs 2 and Rs 5 has been stopped as these have been coinised.
4) Coins of up to Rs 1,000 denominations can be minted.
5) The RBI has the powers to print currency notes of up to Rs 20,000 denomination.
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 707 Name the India-born engineer-scientist who has been awarded the 2014 Marconi Prize, a Nobel equivalent for technology pioneers. His work in the US is at the heart of the current high speed WiFi and 4G mobile systems.

1) AJ Paulraj
2) Dipak Jain
3) Rakesh Khurana
4) Sunil Kumar
5) Nitin Nohria
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 708 The Govt has appointed who among the following as the new chief of the Hyderabad-based National Police Academy, the alma mater for IPS officers in the country?

1) Letika Saran
2) K Vijay Kumar
3) Subhas Goswami
4) Aruna Bahuguna
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 709 Karl Slym, who died recently in Bangkok, Thailand, was the Managing Director of which of the following automakers?

1) Tata Motors
2) General Motors
3) Ford Motors
4) Hyundai Motors
5) Renault
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 710 When a bank adjusts a loan from a deposit of the same name and the same capacity in the same bank, it is called:

1) Right to lien
2) Right to adjustment
3) Right to set off
4) Right to appropriation
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 711 Clayton's rule, one of the most important legal decisions relating to banking laws, is applicable to which of the following type of loan accounts?

1) Term loan accounts
2) Demand loan accounts
3) Cash credit accounts
4) Overdraft accounts
5) Only 3) and 4)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 712 Who among the following has won the women's singles title of the Australia Open tennis tournament recently?

1) Li Na
2) Serena Williams
3) Ana Ivanovic
4) Dominika Cibulkova
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 713 Name the shuttler who has clinched the men's singles title of the Syed Modi International India Grand Prix Gold badminton tournament recently?

1) Lui Yuchen
2) Li Junhui
3) Xue Song
4) K Srikant
5) HS Prannoy
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 714 The Empowered Group of Ministers (EGoM) approved what per cent spectrum usage charge (SUC) of the annual gross revenue of telcos on all the new airwaves acquired in auction.

1) 3 per cent
2) 5 per cent
3) 7 per cent
4) 8 per cent
5) 10 per cent
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 715 Who among the following are among the awardees of the prestigious Padma Bhushan awards announced recently?

1) Pullela Gopichand
2) Yuvraj Singh
3) Leander Paes
4) Only 1) and 3)
5) All the above
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 716 In which of the following conditions, a customer can approach a banking ombudsman?

1) Non-payment or delay in the payment or collection of cheques, drafts and bills etc.
2) Non-adherence to prescribed working hours
3) Internet Payments
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 717 The govt notified which of the following communities as the national minority recently?

1) Jain
2) Buddhist
3) Parsi
4) Wahabi
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 718 Which of the following teams has won the Federation Cup football tournament recently?

1) Mohun Bagan
2) Churchill Brothers
3) Mohammedan Sporting
4) Sporting Clube de Goa
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 719 Which of the following financial institutions has announced recently to install 3000 ATMs and 1.35 lakh micro-ATMs by Sep, 2015 in the country?

1) Mahindra Finance
2) Tata Capital
3) Muthoot Fincorp
4) Bajaj Capital
5) India Post
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 720 A banker is empowered not to pay the cheques drawn by a customer who has been sentenced and sent to jail for:

1) Theft
2) Criminal liability
3) Moral Ground
4) Insolvency

5) Both 1) and 2) **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 721 What do you mean by 'probate' in the banking parlance?

1) It is a will left by a deceased person.
2) It is a will certified by the court for settlement of the property of the deceased person.
3) It is a declaration of a deceased person.
4) The last will of a person certified by his/her legal heirs.
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 722 Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) exempts winners of which of the following from paying income tax on cash or other rewards given by the govt?

1) Ramon Magsaysay award
2) Olympic medal
3) Commonwealth medal
4) All the above
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 723 Which of the following countries defeated visiting Indian cricket team in a 5-match ODI series recently? India lost its top position in the ICC ODI team ranking with this defeat.

1) Australia
2) South Africa
3) England
4) New Zealand
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 724 Which of the following teams won the Under-19 Asia Cup cricket tournament recently?

1) India
2) Pakistan
3) Sri Lanka
4) Bangladesh
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 725 The producers of which of the following milk products brands has launched India's first milk ATM which has started selling milk through "Any Time Milk" vending machines?

1) Amul
2) Mother Dairy
3) Paras Milk
4) Sudha
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 726 Which of the following state govts has launched a new pension scheme dubbed as 'Samajwadi Pension Yojna', which will cover about 40 lakh poorest of the poor in the state? Each beneficiary under the scheme will receive Rs 500 per month.

1) Uttar Pradesh
2) Bihar
3) Haryana
4) Punjab
5) Tamil Nadu
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 727 Mykola Azarov resigned as Prime Minister of which of the following countries recently? The move came after the Parliament of the country voted overwhelmingly to annul a controversial anti-protest law.

1) Cambodia
2) Venezuela
3) Ukraine
4) Poland
5) Thailand
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 728 The permanent account number (PAN), which is an alphanumeric number allotted by the income tax department to taxpayers, have _____digits.

1) Seven digits
2) Eight digits
3) Nine digits
4) Ten digits
5) Eleven digits
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 729 Which of the following best defines the term 'bancassurance'?

1) An insured bank deposit exclusively for employees of insurance companies
2) An insurance scheme to ensure bank deposits
3) A composite financial service offering both bank and insurance products
4) An insurance scheme meant for bank employees only
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 730 Which of the following rates/ration is NOT correct with respect to the RBI's third quarter review of monetary policy which took place on 28-01-2014?

1) Short-term lending (repo) rate – 8 per cent
2) Reverse repo rate under the liquidity adjustment facility – 7 per cent
3) Marginal Standing Facility (MSF) rate and bank rate – 8.75 per cent
4) Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR) – 4 per cent
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 731 Who among the following is not a member of the National Development Council (NDC)?

1) The President of India
2) The Prime Minister of India
3) The members of the Planning Commission
4) The Chief Ministers of Indian States
5) All the above are members of NDC
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 732 The world's largest 4,000 MW ultra mega solar power project will be set up in which of the following states for which six public sector undertakings under three central ministries have signed MoU recently?

1) Madhya Pradesh
2) Rajasthan
3) Uttarakhand
4) Himachal Pradesh
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 733 The Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) pose a major challenge in banking system these days. Which of the following Acts was framed specially to deal more effectively with NPAs?

1) SARFAESI Act
2) Banking Regulation Act
3) Foreign Exchange Management Act
4) Industrial Dispute Act
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 734 President Pranab Mukherjee conferred the Ashok Chakra, the highest peacetime gallantry award, to Sub-Inspector K Prasad Babu posthumously on India's 65th Republic Day. He was a Sub-Inspector in Greyhounds, the anti-naxal force of:

1) Odisha
2) Jharkhand
3) Bihar
4) West Bengal
5) Andhra Pradesh
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 735 Kumari Selja, who resigned from the Union Cabinet recently, was Minister of

1) Social Justice and Empowerment
2) Law and Justice
3) Human Resource Development
4) Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 736 The RBI increased the MSF rate to 9 per cent recently in its quarterly policy review. What does letter 'S' denotes in the term MSF?

1) Standing
2) Statutory
3) Subsidy
4) Subscription
5) Standard
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 737 India's Sania Mirza and her Romanian partner Horia Tecau lost to which of the following pairs in the mixed doubles final of the Australian Open recently?

1) Kristina Mladenovic and Daniel Nestor
2) Anna-Lena Gronefeld and Alexander Peya
3) Jarmila Gajdosova and Matthew Ebden
4) Zheng Jie and Scott Lipsky
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 738 The Lusofonia Games, which were held in Goa (India) recently, are _____equivalent to British Commonwealth Games.

1) French
2) Dutch
3) Portuguese
4) Roman
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 739 Which among the following does not come under the organisational objectives of the banks in India?

1) To earn profit
2) To play a developmental role in rural India
3) To provide employment to maximum people
4) To improve customer relationships
5) All the above
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 740 India is considering buying as well as co-producing 15 ShinMaywa US-2 amphibious patrol aircraft from which of the following countries?

1) US
2) Russia
3) Israel
4) Japan
5) Sweden
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 741 Which of the following terms is not related to banking or finance?

1) Debenture
2) Equity
3) Zero coupons
4) Par value
5) Black box
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 742 The central bank of which of the following countries approved domestic trading in the Chinese Yuan, Japanese yen, Australian dollar as well as Indian rupee in a move that will effectively make those currencies legal tender in the country?

1) Azerbaijan
2) Mogadishu
3) Zimbabwe
4) Nigeria
5) Bhutan
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 743 The Union Cabinet approved the creation of India Inclusive Innovation Fund (IIIF) recently. Consider the following in this regard and choose the correct statement(s):

1) The National Innovation Council and the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) have jointly created the fund.
2) IIIF seeks to leverage the model of venture capital to transform the lives of the less privileged in the country.
3) The fund will be registered with the SEBI with an initial corpus of Rs 5000 cr.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 744 EGoM cleared 10 per cent stake sale in the mini-ratna public sector undertaking Engineers India Limited (EIL) through FPO route recently. What is expanded form of FPO?

1) Follow-on Private Offer
2) Follow-on Public Offer
3) Follow-on Preferential Offer
4) Follow-on Partial Offer
5) Follow-on Periodic Offer
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 745 Name the author of the book titled 'Vanity Bagh' who has won The Hindu Prize for best fiction 2013 for this novel.

1) Amish Tripathi
2) Anees Slim
3) Supriya Dravid
4) Fahad Samar
5) Talmiz Ahmad
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 746 It is an economic condition which causes a sustained increase in general price level over a particular period of time and reduces the purchasing power of money. Identify the condition.

1) Deflation
2) Inflation
3) Devaluation
4) Stagflation
5) Depression
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 747 According to new rules formed by the Govt aimed at checking political interference, officers of the three premier services IAS, IPS and IFoS will now spend a minimum of _____year(s) in each posting.

1) One
2) Two
3) Three
4) Four
5) Five
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 748 Top ULFA leader Paresh Barua, one of India's most wanted militants, including 13 other people have been sentenced to death by a court in which of the following countries for the country's biggest weapons haul seized

in 2004?

1) Myanmar **2)** Bangladesh
3) Bhutan **4)** China
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 749 The govt put on hold paying users the subsidy into bank accounts using Aadhaar platform and raised the quota of subsidised LPG to ____ cylinders per household in a year from 9 at present.

1) 10 **2)** 11
3) 12 **4)** 13
5) 15 **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 750 Banks in India are offering loans against property frequently these days. This business of the banks comes under which of the following categories?

1) Corporate Banking **2)** Personal Banking
3) Merchant Banking **4)** Portfolio Management Service
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 751 Which of the following is NOT a feature of debit cards offered by banks?

1) Anytime cash withdrawal **2)** No bad debts to banks
3) No interest earning for banks **4)** Facility to avail 45-days credit for the limit granted
5) None of the above **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 752 Which of the following cricket teams lost it one-day international status recently after it failed to win the final super six game in New Zealand in the World Cup qualifiers? It was awarded the one-day ranking in 1997.

1) Kenya **2)** Zimbabwe
3) Scotland **4)** UAE
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 753 Which of the following teams remained on top with 92 medals at the end of the third edition of the 2014 Lusofonia Games in Goa recently?

1) Macau (China) **2)** Goa (India)
3) Mozambique **4)** Portugal
5) Brazil **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 754 The country's first monorail service commenced its operations in which of the following cities recently?

1) Jaipur **2)** Bangalore
3) Bhopal **4)** Mumbai
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 755 India and which of the following countries entered into a double taxation avoidance agreement (DTAA) for the first time recently? The DTAA has provisions for exchange of banking information for tax administration purpose among other things.

1) Malaysia **2)** Mauritius
3) Fiji **4)** Rwanda
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 756 The book titled 'Self-Deception: India's China Policies Origins, Premises, Lessons' has been authored by who among the following?

1) Arun Shourie **2)** George Fernandes
3) Jaswant Singh **4)** Narendra Modi
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 757 The govt has decided to give a loan to which of the following state-owned firms running in losses to address the salary issue?

1) BSNL
2) MTNL
3) Hindustan Machine Tools (HMT)
4) Engineers India Ltd (EIL)
5) Both 1) and 2)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 758 State Bank of India (SBI) has raised Rs 8,032 cr by selling shares through QIP, making it the biggest ever equity sale via this route recently. What does QIP stands for?

1) Qualified Initial Placement
2) Qualified Institutional Proposal
3) Qualified International Placement
4) Qualified Initial Proposal
5) Qualified Institutional Placement
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 759 Vijay Bahuguna resigned as Chief Minister of which of the following states recently?

1) Chhattisgarh
2) Jharkhand
3) Himachal Pradesh
4) Uttarakhand
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 760 Which of the following regulators regulates credit rating agencies in India?

1) Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
2) Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)
3) Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority (IRDA)
4) Forward Markets Commission (FMC)
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 761 Which of the following services is/are exempted from services tax in India?

1) Insurance and medical services
2) Hotel and air travel services
3) Currency exchange and legal services
4) All the above
5) None of the above
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 762 The Arvind Mayaram panel is considering redefining overseas inflows. As per the proposal, any individual investment above 10 per cent of the paid up capital in a listed company will be treated as:

1) Foreign Direct Investment
2) Foreign Portfolio Investment
3) Qualified Foreign Investors
4) Foreign Institutional Investment
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 763 After Delhi, which of the following state govts has decided to revoke foreign direct investment (FDI) in multibrand retail recently?

1) Uttar Pradesh
2) Maharashtra
3) Rajasthan
4) Odisha
5) Karnataka
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 764 The RBI's report titled "State Finances - A study of Budgets of 2013-14" put which of the following states on top of a list of states based on different fiscal parameters?

1) Jharkhand
2) Goa
3) Madhya Pradesh
4) Bihar
5) Chhattisgarh
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 765 The Supreme Court stayed the execution of Devinderpal Singh Bhullar and agreed to review its judgment by which it had rejected his plea to commute his death sentence to life term. Bhullar is convicted in _____case.

1) 1993 Delhi bomb blast
2) Conspiring assassination of Indira Gandhi
3) Arms supply to Khalistan militants
4) Killing of Punjab CM Beant Singh
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 766 Who among the following has become the first woman to be inducted in the International Cricket Council's (ICC's) umpires' panel recently?

1) Katrina Keenan
2) Haidee Tiffen
3) Kathy Cross
4) Emily Drum
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 767 India is ranked at which of the following places out of 178 countries in the 2014 Environmental

Performance Index (EPI) issued by Yale University recently? Switzerland tops the 2014 EPI.

1) 72nd **2)** 73rd
3) 77th **4)** 118th
5) 155th **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 768 Which among the following companies comes under the category of Asset Reconstruction Companies (ARCs) functioning in India?

1) ARCIL **2)** CRISIL
3) RARC **4)** All the above
5) Only 1) and 3) **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 769 'The book titled 'Zealot: The Life and Times of Jesus of Nazareth' has been authored by who among the following?

1) Reza Aslan **2)** Vikram Chandra
3) Jaspreet Singh **4)** Deepika Ahlawat
5) Jagdish Khattar **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 770 Moulaye Ould Mohamed Laghdaf resigned as the prime minister of which of the following countries with his entire cabinet recently? He was holding the post since 2009.

1) Mauritius **2)** Fiji
3) Trinidad and Tobago **4)** Nigeria
5) Surinam **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 771 Which of the following may be the best alternative banking service to achieve the target of financial inclusion in the country?

1) Agricultural loans **2)** Kisan Credit Cards
3) Personal Banking Branches **4)** Mobile Banking Facility
5) None of the above **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 772 The 9th Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) Divas was observed recently on which of the following dates?

1) 30 Jan **2)** 31 Jan
3) 1 Feb **4)** 2 Feb
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 773 India has become the world's third-biggest crude oil importer in 2013 as per the recent data. Which of the following countries is the world's largest oil importer as of now?

1) Germany **2)** Japan
3) India **4)** China
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 774 The book titled 'Maverick Unchanged, Unrepentant' has been penned by who among the following?

1) Ram Jethmalani **2)** Preeti Shenoy
3) Chetan Bhagat **4)** Elizabeth Chatterjee
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 775 Which of the following teams has won the Ranji Trophy cricket tournament recently?

1) Karnataka **2)** Maharashtra
3) Punjab **4)** Delhi
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 776 The Oscar-winning actor Philip Seymour Hoffman, who was found dead in his apartment recently, was a _____actor.

1) Russian **2)** British
3) US **4)** French
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 777 Saketh Myneni and Yuki Bhambri, who helped India record a 5-0 rout of Chinese Taipei recently, are associated with which of the following games?

1) Tennis
2) Table Tennis
3) Badminton
4) Squash
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 778 Harish Rawat was sworn in as the new chief minister of which of the following states recently?

1) Chhattisgarh
2) Karnataka
3) Himachal Pradesh
4) Uttarakhand
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 779 Which of the following will be termed as cross-selling?

1) Selling a housing loan to a deposit customer
2) Selling a deposit product to a savings account holder
3) Selling a credit card to a debit card holder
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 3)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 780 Which of the following statements is/are NOT correct?

1) Cheap Money refers to a loan or credit with a low interest rate.
2) Hot money refers to a capital that is frequently transferred between financial institutions in an attempt to maximize interest or capital gain.
3) Call Money is lent by a bank or other institution that is repayable on demand.
4) Only 1) and 3)
5) None of the above
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 781 Olympic torch was lit on Mount Elbrus by two professional mountaineers recently. It is the highest point of which of the following countries?

1) Brazil
2) UK
3) Russia
4) Japan
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 782 The World Cancer Day is observed on which of the following dates annually?

1) 1 Feb
2) 2 Feb
3) 3 Feb
4) 4 Feb
5) 5 Feb
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 783 Who among the following has become the new CEO of the software giant Microsoft recently?

1) Sundar Pichai
2) Stephen Elop
3) Alan Mulally
4) Satya Nadella
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 784 Sachin Tendulkar and CNR Rao were conferred with the country's highest civilian honour Bharat Ratna by President Pranab Mukherjee recently. While Sachin is a legendary cricketer, Rao is a well recognized international:

1) Scientist
2) Author
3) Environmentalist
4) Economist
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 785 Expand the term CTS.

1) Cheque Tracking System
2) Cheque Transfer System
3) Cheque Timing System
4) Cheque Truncation System
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 786 After the direct benefit transfer project, the Govt is now planning to usher in a DTH scheme. Which of the following is correct with respect to this scheme?

1) DTH is the acronym for Direct-To-Home.
2) The scheme has already been initiated in Andhra Pradesh and will now be implemented across the country.

3) All wages, pensions, maternity benefits and subsidy schemes meant for the people will actually be delivered directly to the family through Micro ATMs and other means.

4) All the above

5) Only 1) and 3)

Ans.) 4

Ques. : 787 Who among the following will head the 7th Central Pay Commission set up by the govt?

1) Meena Agarwal
2) Rathin Roy
3) Vivek Rae
4) Ashok Kumar Mathur
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 788 Which of the following social networking sites completed 10 years in operation on 4 Feb 2014?

1) Twitter
2) Myspace
3) Facebook
4) Orkut
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 789 Joachim Guack, who visited India, recently, is the present President of which of the following countries?

1) Spain
2) Germany
3) New Zealand
4) Italy
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 790 What does repository refer to as in banking terminology?

1) Currency chest owned by state govt.
2) A separate small currency chest.
3) A sub chest, whose money forms part of the main chest.
4) A currency chest maintained by private financial companies.
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 791 The communication backbone launched by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for Indian Banking and Financial Sector is known as:

1) BANKNET
2) INFINET
3) INDIANET
4) SWIFT
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 792 As per currently prevailing norms, 49 per cent FDI is allowed under automatic route in private sector banks in India. However, under the govt route FDI limit is up to:

1) 64 per cent
2) 74 per cent
3) 84 per cent
4) 94 per cent
5) 100 per cent
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 793 Which of the following major automakers operating in India has launched two new models in passenger car section –Bolt hatchback and Zest sedan- recently?

1) Ford
2) General Motors
3) Hyundai
4) Tata Motors
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 794 As per the estimates of Planning Commission, the number of persons living below the poverty line in the country has declined from 40.74 crore in 2004-05 to _____in 2011-12.

1) 27 crore
2) 32 crore
3) 37 crore
4) 38 crore
5) 39 crore
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 795 Which of the following in NOT eligible for deposit insurance facility provided by Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation (DICGC)?

1) Regional Rural Banks (RRBs)
2) Private Banks
3) Foreign Banks
4) Primary Cooperative Societies
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 796 Which of the following corporate houses has made a surprise announcement of plans to hire over 56,000 new employees in 2014 along with investments to the tune of nearly Rs 32,400 cr recently?

1) Jindal Group
2) KM Birla Group
3) Sahara India Pariwar
4) Infosys
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 797 These days, banking services are available anywhere and anytime. Which of the following is/are the product(s)/service(s) that make the above possible?

1) Automated Teller Machine
2) Internet Banking
3) Mobile Banking
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 798 Paris-based FATF organisation released an international report on money laundering and terrorist financing on 2 Feb 2014. The term FATF stands for:

1) Financial Authentication Task Force
2) Financial Activity Tracking Forum
3) Financial Action Tracking Forum
4) Financial Activity Task Force
5) Financial Action Task Force
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 799 Which of the following cups in cricket is played between the winner of the Ranji Trophy of the year and a team representing rest of India?

1) Deodhar Trophy
2) Vijay Hazare Trophy
3) Duleep Trophy
4) Irani Cup
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 800 The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority (IRDA) has set up a 9-member panel to review the 14 non-legislative recommendations made by the Financial Sector Legislative Reforms Commission (FSLRC) which was headed by:

1) Ramesh Chandra Lahoti
2) AR Lakshmanan
3) BN Srikrishna
4) Ruma Pal
5) KG Balakrishnan
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 801 Heena Sidhu is associated with which of the following games? She was in news, recently, as she appeared on the cover of Dec 2013 issue of the magazine published by the international body of the game.

1) Air pistol (10m)
2) Boxing
3) Archery
4) Discus throw
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 802 As per the recent estimates of the Planning Commission, which of the following states had the highest number of poor people (5.98 crore) living below the poverty line in 2011-12?

1) West Bengal
2) Maharashtra
3) Madhya Pradesh
4) Bihar
5) Uttar Pradesh
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 803 Which of the following automobile manufacturers launched a new car Celerio, a hatchback with revolutionary 'automatic manual transmission' facility at the 12th India Auto Expo recently?

1) Tata Motors
2) Maruti Suzuki
3) Honda
4) Renault
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 804 Which of the following countries has become the first Asian country and only 3rd in the world to have Shore Based Test Facility (SBTF)? The facility is primarily meant for flight testing of naval aircrafts and pilots.

1) China
2) Japan
3) South Korea
4) India
5) Pakistan
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 805 The govt announced to extend the visa-on-arrival facility to all countries except eight with effect from Sep 2014. Which of the following countries has/have not been covered under this facility?

1) Iraq
2) Sri Lanka
3) Afghanistan
4) Pakistan
5) All the above
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 806 The govt has approved increase in the fair and remunerative price (FRP) for sugarcane by 10 rupees per quintal for 2014-15. The FRP for sugarcane for the current sugar year now stands at _____ per quintal.

1) Rs 210
2) Rs 225
3) Rs 261
4) Rs 270
5) Rs 282
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 807 The Union govt launched 'Meghraj' project, recently, which is a _____ project.

1) Cloud computing
2) Mother and child tracking
3) Weather forecasting
4) Artificial rain
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 808 India signed an Umbrella Agreement on Financial Cooperation with which of the following countries recently pertaining to concessional loans from the country for nine projects including New Approaches in Microfinance and Microenterprise Finance (by SIDBI)?

1) France
2) South Korea
3) Japan
4) Germany
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 809 Which of the following is a fictitious asset?

1) Very old stock that is not usable any more
2) Goodwill
3) Preliminary expenses
4) Pre-operative expenses
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 810 The govt allowed foreign institutional investors (FII) and non-resident Indians (NRIs) to invest in the insurance sector recently. Currently up to what per cent FDI is permitted in the insurance sector?

1) 26 per cent
2) 49 per cent
3) 51 per cent
4) 74 per cent
5) 100 per cent
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 811 The maximum amount that a card holder is allowed to make payment by way of credit card is called

1) Floor limit
2) Fixed limit
3) Card limit
4) Card ceiling
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 812 The Planning Commission estimates poverty line on Monthly Per Capita Consumption Expenditure based on the methodology developed by an expert group constituted in 2005 under the chairmanship of:

1) Late Suresh Tendulkar
2) Shankar Acharya
3) TN Srinivasan
4) Mihir Shah
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 813 The Finance Ministry, recently, intimated the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi), extending the term of current chairman _____by another two years. His term was to end on 17 Feb 2014.

1) M Damodaran
2) DR Mehta
3) UK Sinha
4) Y Venugopal Reddy
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 814 The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs approved the proposal of which of the following telecom majors to increase its stake in the Indian entity to 100% for Rs 10,141 crore from 64.38% at present?

1) Maxis
2) Sistema
3) Vodafone
4) Telenor
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 815 What is expanded form of CEPA?

1) Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement
2) Comprehensive Energy Partnership Agreement
3) Comprehensive Ecosystems Protection Agreement
4) Comprehensive Engineering Partnership Agreement
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 816 India's largest passenger carmaker Maruti Suzuki announced to discontinue which of the following models, dubbed as India's first people's car, recently?

1) Estilo
2) A-Star
3) Maruti 800
4) Zen
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 817 The Reserve Bank of India has removed the interest rate cap on loans given by microfinance institutions (MFIs) regulated by it effective 1 Apr and such lenders will now be able to charge interest rate based on their borrowing cost. What was the earlier cap for interest rate?

1) 18 per cent
2) 22 per cent
3) 24 per cent
4) 26 per cent
5) 28 per cent
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 818 Which of the following statements is/are true?

1) India's per capita income is projected to soar to Rs 74,920 in 2013-14 based on current prices.
2) The size of the economy at current prices is projected to rise to Rs 105.39 lakh crore (USD 1.7 tn) at the end of 2013-14 fiscal.
3) The country's population is expected to increase to 123 crore by the end of Mar 2014.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 819 Indian participants to the Sochi Winter Olympics 2014 were forced to march under Olympic flag as independent participants recently as the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) was banned. Who among the following Indians were qualified for the winter Olympics?

1) Himanshu Thakur
2) Nadeem Iqbal
3) Shiva Keshavan
4) All the above
5) Only 2) and 3)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 820 Who among the following has never been the Finance Minister of India?

1) Manmohan Singh
2) Jaswant Singh
3) Yashwant Sinha
4) Pranab Mukherjee
5) None of the above
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 821 Which of the following regulators functioning in India regulates the credit rating agencies?

1) Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
2) Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)
3) Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority (IRDA)
4) Forward Markets Commission (FMC)
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 822 The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has permitted some non-bank entities to set up white label ATMs in India. Which of the following are among them?

1) Tata Communications Payment Solutions
2) Vakrangee
3) Muthoot Finance
4) Prizm Payment Services
5) All the above
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 823 Who among the following has become the new Prime Minister of Nepal recently?

1) KP Sharma Oli
2) Ram Chandra Poudyal
3) Jhala Nath Khanal
4) Sushil Koirala
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 824 The 'Project Arrow' is associated with which of the following govt departments? It is a project undertaken

for quality improvement and transform the department into a vibrant and responsive organization?

1) India Post **2)** Indian Railways
3) National Highway Authority of India **4)** National Sample Survey Organisation
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 825 Which of the following countries was in news regarding its alleged role in operation Blue Star which was carried out to evacuate Sikh militants from the famous Golden Temple?

1) USA **2)** Russia
3) UK **4)** Japan
5) Canada **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 826 The Central Statistical Office (CSO) released estimates of the 2013-14 Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth recently. CSO has pegged the GDP growth at:

1) 4 per cent **2)** 4.5 per cent
3) 4.9 per cent **4)** 5 per cent
5) 10.9 per cent **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 827 The Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) are the United Nations' eight officially established targets to be achieved by 2015. Which of the following is NOT a MDG?

1) Ensure environmental sustainability **2)** Improve Computer Literacy
3) Reduce child mortality **4)** Achieve universal primary education
5) None of the above **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 828 Apex court, it its recent verdict, uphold recommendations of Majithia Wage Board. The 6th (Majithia) Wage Board was constituted by the Labour Ministry in 2007 to review pay structure for:

1) Armed forces employees **2)** Journalists and non-journalists
3) Indian Railways employees **4)** Employees in unorganised sector
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 829 The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) is gearing up to introduce about one billion plastic notes of which of the following denominations in five cities — Kochi, Mysore, Jaipur, Shimla and Bhubaneswar on a trial basis in the second half of 2014?

1) Rs 10 **2)** Rs 20
3) Rs 50 **4)** Rs 100
5) All the above **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 830 Currently, the aggregate foreign investment (FDI, FII and NRI) limit for public sector banks (PSBs) is:

1) 20 per cent **2)** 24 per cent
3) 49 per cent **4)** 74 per cent
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 831 Who among the following has been elected as the new president of the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) clearing the decks for India's return to the Olympic fold after a 14-month suspension?

1) Lalit Bhanot **2)** Abhay Singh Chautala
3) Anil Khanna **4)** Rajeev Mehta
5) N Ramachandran **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 832 Yulia Lipnitskaya, who became the youngest athlete (15 yrs old) to win Gold at Winter Olympics, recently, belongs to which of the following countries?

1) Ukraine **2)** Russia
3) Czechoslovakia **4)** Kazakhstan
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 833 A Supreme Court-appointed committee submitted its report on betting and fixing in the sixth edition of the Indian Premier League (IPL) recently saying allegations against Gurunath Meiyappan stands proved. The Committee was headed by who among the following?

1) Asok Kumar Ganguly **2)** Indira Jaising

3) Mukul Mudgal
4) Swatanter Kumar
5) SH Kapadia
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 834 National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has sanctioned loans worth over Rs 19,100 cr under RIDF to states for agriculture and allied activities. Expand the term RIDF.

1) Rural Industries Development Fund
2) Rural Infrastructure Development Facility
3) Rural Innovation and Development Fund
4) Rural Irrigation Development Fund
5) Rural Infrastructure Development Fund
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 835 Who among the following has authored the recently published book titled 'Catch Up: Developing Countries in the World Economy'?

1) Ratnesh Dwivedi
2) Deepak Nayyar
3) Pankaj Mishra
4) Jaswant Singh
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 836 India's indigenous aircraft Sitara, whose development is in advanced stages of certification, is a/an:

1) Intermediate Jet Trainer
2) Light Combat Aircraft
3) Transport Aircraft
4) Advanced Jet Trainer
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 837 International Day of Zero Tolerance to Female Genital Mutilation is a UN-sponsored awareness day that takes place each year on _____.

1) 4 Feb
2) 6 Feb
3) 13 Feb
4) 20 Feb
5) 21 Feb
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 838 2014 Winter Olympics was held in Sochi, Russia recently. 2018 Winter Olympics is scheduled to take place in which of the following countries?

1) Pyeongchang, South Korea
2) Turin, Italy
3) Salt Lake City, United States
4) Chamonix, France
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 839 Which of the following states has become the first state in the country to achieve 100 per cent sanitation in rural and urban households, schools, sanitary complexes and Aanganwadi centres?

1) Uttarakhand
2) Manipur
3) Kerala
4) Goa
5) Sikkim
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 840 As per the guidelines of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), banks are obliged to maintain secrecy in case of which of the following accounts?

1) Only existing deposit accounts
2) Only existing loan accounts
3) Only closed accounts
4) All types of deposit and loan accounts (existing/closed)
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 841 Which among the following publishes Global competitiveness report?

1) World Economic Forum
2) World Bank
3) IMF
4) European Central Bank
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 842 Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF), with the sole objective of giving low cost fund support to state govts and State Owned Corporations, was instituted in:

1) SIDBI
2) NABARD
3) State Bank of India
4) Central Bank of India
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 843 The book titled 'A Great Clamour: Encounters with China and Its Neighbours' is authored by who among

the following?

1) Jaspreet Singh
2) Deepika Ahlawat
3) Reza Aslan
4) Pankaj Mishra
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 844 The USA, recently, alleged that India's policies are in contravention to their obligations under TRIPS, an agreement associated with:

1) Export subsidies
2) Manufacturing malpractices
3) Intellectual property rights
4) Preferential trade agreements
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 845 Railway Minister Mallikarjun Kharge presented Interim Rail Budget in the Parliament recently. Which of the following is not a highlight of the budget?

1) Passenger fares to remain unchanged and freight rates have also been left untouched.
2) The Annual Plan 2014-15 envisages investment of Rs 64,305 cr.
3) The Capital of Arunanchal Pradesh would soon be on rail map in this financial year.
4) Indian Rail Finance Corporation to raise Rs 12,800 cr from the market in FY15.
5) None of the above
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 846 The Reserve Bank of India has suggested use of PKI in payment system applications. PKI, which is a set of hardware and software that enables users of internet to securely and privately exchange data and money by using a pair of public and private cryptographic passwords, stands for:

1) Public Key Initiative
2) Public Key Information
3) Public Key Interference
4) Public Key Introduction
5) Public Key Infrastructure
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 847 The Union Cabinet chosen Dugarajapatnam as the location for one of two new govt-controlled ports in the country recently. It is situated in which of the following states?

1) Tamil Nadu
2) Gujarat
3) Andhra Pradesh
4) Maharashtra
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 848 Which of the following has become the first rail system in the world to be awarded the Gold Standard foundation—a globally accepted certification standard for carbon mitigation projects recently?

1) Delhi Metro
2) New York Metro
3) London Metro
4) Kolkata Metro
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 849 The first public sector bank (PSB) exclusively for women, Bhartiya Mahila Bank, is headquartered in which of the following cities?

1) Delhi
2) Kolkata
3) Lucknow
4) Mumbai
5) Chennai
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 850 India's official crime data is maintained by which of the following establishments?

1) CBI
2) NIA
3) NCRB
4) NHRC
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 851 When banks undertake insurance business on risk participation basis by setting up insurance joint ventures, it is termed as

1) Bancassurance
2) Under-writing
3) Agency
4) Dealership
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 852 The Govt has set up a six-member committee to suggest remedial measures to address concerns of

people from the Northeast following outrage over the death in Delhi of a 19-year-old student from Arunachal Pradesh recently. The Committee will be headed by:

1) P Bharat Singh
2) Tape Bagra
3) Allen Temshi Jamir
4) HWT Syeim
5) MP Bezbaruah
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 853 The RBI has repeatedly stressed that investors and users should exercise caution before using Bitcoin as a consistent means of exchange. Bitcoin is a _____.

1) Digital currency
2) Personal currency
3) A type of black money
4) A symbolic currency
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 854 Which of the following banks is NOT operating its branch/branches in India as of now?

1) National Australia Bank
2) State Bank of Mauritius
3) Bank of Ceylon
4) Bank of America
5) None of the above
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 855 The Penguin publication announced to withdraw a book titled 'The Hindus: An Alternative History' after a number of Hindu activist opposed the book. Who among the following is the author of the book?

1) Sheldon Pollock
2) Sudhir Kakar
3) Rajiv Malhotra
4) Marjorie Garber
5) Wendy Doniger
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 856 India has been ranked at which of the following positions in the recently released World Press Freedom Index published by the media watchdog Reporters Without Borders (RSF)?

1) 140th
2) 158th
3) 172nd
4) 173rd
5) 175th
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 857 The World Radio Day is observed on which of the following dates?

1) 4 Feb
2) 6 Feb
3) 13 Feb
4) 20 Feb
5) 21 Feb
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 858 The G-4 grouping consists of India, Japan, Brazil and which of the following countries? These four countries support each other's bids for permanent seats on the United Nations Security Council.

1) Germany
2) South Africa
3) Indonesia
4) Italy
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 859 Which of the following teams won the Irani Trophy 2013-14 recently?

1) Mumbai
2) Karnataka
3) Delhi
4) Punjab
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 860 Which of the following terms is used in the field of banking?

1) Retardation
2) Synthesizer
3) Depository receipt
4) Extinct
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 861 What does the last letter 'P' denotes in the term STRIPS?

1) Principal
2) Preference
3) Product
4) Prevention
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 862 Shirley Temple Black, who died recently, was a/an _____.

1) Author
2) Scientist
3) Singer
4) Iconic child star
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 863 India along with 41 countries adopted a new global standard for automatic exchange of information on offshore tax evasion developed by Organisation of Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). OECD is based in:

1) New York
2) Oslo
3) Tokyo
4) Paris
5) London
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 864 Who among the following is all set to take over as the new chairperson of Broadcasting Content Complaints Council (BCCC), a self-regulatory body for non-news channels in India?

1) Indira Jaising
2) Mukul Mudgal
3) Asok Kumar Ganguly
4) Swatanter Kumar
5) SH Kapadia
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 865 Which of the following countries has been ranked at the bottom in the Global Gender Gap Report 2013, published by the World Economic Forum for 136 countries recently? Iceland tops the list.

1) Yemen
2) Pakistan
3) India
4) China
5) Japan
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 866 Which of the following countries had launched its first lunar rover Yutu or the Jade Rabbit which is now declared dead after attempts to revive it failed recently?

1) Japan
2) Russia
3) France
4) India
5) China
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 867 The Homs city, controlled by rebels and under siege by govt troops for more than one and a half year, is situated in which of the following countries? The United Nations is engaged in extending humanitarian aid to the people trapped in the city.

1) Egypt
2) Syria
3) Nigeria
4) Mali
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 868 The central govt has approved two additional attempts to all categories of candidates of Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)'s civil services examination with effect from 2014. Which of the following is correct regarding earlier cap on attempts?

1) General – Four
2) OBC – Seven
3) SC/ST – No restriction
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 869 In the recently concluded extremely successful spectrum auction, the govt has received bids worth over _____, far exceeding its own target.

1) Rs 41,000 cr
2) Rs 48,000 cr
3) Rs 53,000 cr
4) Rs 61,000 cr
5) Rs 72,000 cr
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 870 Which of the following is a leading electronic-payment technology firm?

1) Nifty
2) Visa
3) Max
4) APEC
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 871 Which of the following is true? The SEBI is a

1) Statutory body
2) Advisory body

3) Non-statutory body
4) A society
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 872 The govt conducted spectrum auction in the premium 900 Mega-Hertz and not so efficient 1,800 MHz recently. The auction is done for how many circles in the country?

1) 11
2) 14
3) 18
4) 22
5) 28
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 873 Who among the following was conferred Rotary's highest award for his leadership recently? The award is recognition for heads of countries or govts for service to the humanity upholding values reflected in the Rotary's motto 'Service Above Self'.

1) Pranab Mukherjee
2) Vladimir Putin
3) Barack Obama
4) Shinzo Abe
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 874 Which of the following countries has become the first country in the world to allow euthanasia for terminally ill children recently?

1) Norway
2) Sweden
3) Belgium
4) Brazil
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 875 Indian Navy conducted its largest exercise till date under the lens of India’s first dedicated military satellite recently. Which of the following is India’s first dedicated military satellite?

1) IRNSS-1A
2) GSAT-10
3) GSAT-7
4) GSAT-14
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 876 Which of the following countries is planning to build the world's longest underwater tunnel, a $36-bn shortcut to be built between two of its northern port cities in an earthquake-prone region?

1) Japan
2) Canada
3) China
4) South Korea
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 877 India has signed a loan agreement for $275 mn with which of the following international agencies/banks for improving rural road connectivity in five states in the country?

1) ADB
2) IMF
3) Bank of Japan
4) World Bank
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 878 Enrico Letta resigned after serving as the Prime Minister of which of the following countries for just 10 tumultuous months recently?

1) Spain
2) Italy
3) Norway
4) Norway
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 879 Which of the following is a non-banking financial company (NBFC)?

1) LIC of India
2) Reliance Capital
3) SIDBI
4) Unit Trust of India
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 880 Which of the following is the first country in the world to implement a new tax called ‘Tobin Tax’ which is imposed on all financial transactions (share, bond and currency transactions)?

1) France
2) US
3) Japan
4) Italy
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 881 Which of the following is NOT a money/finance related term?

1) Knot
2) Demerger
3) Divestment
4) M-Cap
5) Actuaries
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 882 Margaret Hamburg, who wrapped up her India trip, recently, after meeting with govt as well as industry officials, is designated at which of the following positions in the US?

1) Director, FBI
2) Administrator, USAIDS
3) Commissioner, US FDA
4) Vice Chairman, Federal Reserve
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 883 The issue of the pepper spray incident in the Lok Sabha, which saw widespread outrage and condemnation, was referred by Lok Sabha Speaker Meira Kumar to the Privileges Committee with punitive powers. Who is heading the Committee?

1) PC Chacko
2) P Chidambaram
3) Kamal Nath
4) Mallikarjun Kharge
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 884 India's 14-month old Olympic exile ended, recently, with the election of N Ramachandran as the new president of the Indian Olympic Association (IOA). He is the president of which of the following world sports bodies?

1) Badminton World Federation
2) FIDE
3) International Tennis Federation
4) World Squash Federation
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 885 The 22nd session of World Economic Forum (WEF) was held in the Swiss city of Davos recently. WEF is a/an _____.

1) UN body
2) US agency
3) Independent international organisation
4) World Bank institution
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 886 The govt raised the import tariff value on gold and silver recently. Import tariff value is the base price at which customs duty is determined to prevent under-invoicing. The tariff value is revised on a _____basis after analysing the global price trend.

1) Weekly
2) Fortnightly
3) Monthly
4) Quarterly
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 887 The Human Immunodeficiency Virus and Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (Prevention and Control) Bill, 2014, was tabled in the Upper House of the Parliament, Rajya Sabha recently. Which of the following in correct with respect to the Bill?

1) Jail term up to two years and fine up to Rs 1 lakh for propagating hatred against HIV affected.
2) It provides for protection to those infected by HIV and AIDS from denial of employment and harassment of any kind.
3) It seeks to put in place an obmudsman to deal with such complaints both at the state and central level.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 3)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 888 The meeting of finance ministers and central bank governors of the G20 major economies was organised in which of the following countries recently?

1) Turkey
2) Australia
3) Russia
4) Mexico
5) France
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 889 The Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) is a part of which of the following?

1) World Bank
2) United Nations
3) US Govt
4) Asian Development Bank

5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 890 The Ivanpah solar power plant, which is a venture among BrightSource Energy, NRG Energy and Google and is the largest and first electric generation project of its kind, was formally inaugurated recently in:

1) Australia **2)** US
3) France **4)** Germany
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 891 Which of the following norms/facilities of the banks is aimed at ensuring that the money from illegal sources does not come to banks?

1) Financial inclusion **2)** Know Your Customer
3) Core banking **4)** NEFT
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 892 Brendon McCullum and BJ Watling made 352 runs for the sixth wicket, the highest by any pair in Test cricket recently. Both the players play for which of the following countries?

1) Australia **2)** West Indies
3) South Africa **4)** New Zealand
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 893 Presenting the Interim budget for 2014-15, the finance minister P Chidambaram proposed a venture capital fund to promote entrepreneurship among scheduled castes and scheduled tribes. What will be the initial capital for the fund?

1) Rs 50 cr **2)** Rs 100 cr
3) Rs 150 cr **4)** Rs 200 cr
5) Rs 250 cr **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 894 In the interim budget for 2014-15, presented in the Parliament recently, the fiscal deficit has been pegged at what per cent of the GDP in 2013-14-?

1) 4.6 per cent **2)** 4.9 per cent
3) 5.6 per cent **4)** 5.9 per cent
5) 6.6 per cent **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 895 Plan expenditure for the financial year 2014-15 has been fixed at what amount in the interim budget for 2014-15? It remains unchanged from last financial current year.

1) Rs 454,365 cr **2)** Rs 467,522 cr
3) Rs 498,555 cr **4)** Rs 522,355 cr
5) Rs 555,322 cr **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 896 As announced by the finance minister in the interim budget for 2014-15, the Govt will provide what amount for capital infusion in state run banks in 2014-15?

1) Rs 80 bn **2)** Rs 92 bn
3) Rs 108 bn **4)** Rs 112 bn
5) Rs 125 bn **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 897 Jnanpith Awardee Amar Kant, who passed away recently, was a noted _____writer.

1) Hindi **2)** Urdu
3) Bengali **4)** Telugu
5) Tamil **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 898 The defence spending has been raised by 10 per cent from the previous year in the interim budget and has been fixed at _____for 2014-15.

1) Rs 2.11 tn **2)** Rs 2.24 tn
3) Rs 2.44 tn **4)** Rs 3.25 tn
5) Rs 3.85 tn **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 899 Finance Minister P Chidambaram allocated an additional Rs 1,000 cr to the Nirbhaya Fund while presenting the Interim budget. Nirbhaya Fund is aimed at which of the following?

1) Checking female feticide
2) Employment generation for women
3) Safety and empowerment of women
4) Providing loan to women entrepreneurs
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 900 The Finance Minister P Chidambaram presented interim budget for 2014-15 in Lok Sabha recently. This is India's _____ budget.

1) 81st
2) 82nd
3) 83rd
4) 84th
5) 85th
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 901 The service tax exemption has been extended to which of the following services in the interim budget for 2014-15 presented in Lok Sabha recently?

1) Storage and warehousing of rice
2) Blood banks
3) Insurance broking agencies
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 902 Which of the following countries ordered the immediate recall of its Ambassador in India, Daniele Mancini, for consultations recently?

1) Spain
2) Italy
3) Norway
4) Sweden
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 903 Which of the following states in India has been declared as the best state in the country for implementing Rural Tourism Project and has been conferred the National Tourism Award 2012-13 recently?

1) Sikkim
2) Kerala
3) Andhra Pradesh
4) Maharashtra
5) Rajasthan
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 904 In the interim budget presented in the Lok Sabha recently, the fiscal deficit for 2014-15 has been pegged at what per cent of the GDP?

1) 4.1 per cent
2) 4.6 per cent
3) 5.6 per cent
4) 5.9 per cent
5) 6.6 per cent
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 905 Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, who visited India on a three day official visit recently, is the present king of which of the following countries?

1) Oman
2) Jordan
3) Yemen
4) Bahrain
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 906 Om Prakash Singh Karhana, who gave the lone gold to India in the 6th Asian Indoor Athletics Championships event held at Hangzhou (China) recently, is a player of:

1) Billiards
2) Pole vault
3) Triple jump
4) Shot put
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 907 Which of the following cellular operators has acquired Mumbai based Loop Mobile for about Rs 700 cr recently?

1) Vodafone
2) Maxis
3) Telenor
4) Idea
5) Bharti Airtel
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 908 Which of the following public sector lenders has sanctioned loans totalling Rs 10,000 cr to six telecom companies to help them buy spectrum?

1) Central Bank of India
2) State Bank of India
3) Bank of Baroda
4) Bank of India

5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 909 India has emerged as the fourth largest country to grow biotech or genetically modified (GM) crops in 2013. Which of the following countries is the largest grower of GM crops as of now?

1) Brazil **2)** Canada
3) US **4)** Spain
5) Portugal **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 910 As per the provisions in the interim budget for 2014-15, which of the following is NOT correctly matched as far as excise duty on below mentioned vehicles is concerned?

1) Small cars, motorcycles, scooters and commercial vehicles – 8 per cent **2)** SUVs – 30 per cent
3) Large segment cars – 24 per cent **4)** Middle segment cars – 20 per cent
5) All the above **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 911 As mentioned in the interim Budget for 2014-15, implementation of national food security law will cost how much in 2014-15?

1) Rs 66,500 cr **2)** Rs 75,500 cr
3) Rs 88,500 cr **4)** Rs 92,500 cr
5) Rs 1,12,500 cr **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 912 Who among the following took charge as the chairman of prestigious Indian Institute of Management Bangalore (IIMB) recently?

1) Mukesh Ambani **2)** Kiran Mazumdar Shaw
3) Sunil Mittal **4)** Navin Jindal
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 913 President Goodluck Jonathan suspended the governor of country's central bank, Lamido Sanusi, in which of the following countries recently? The governor was seen as an outspoken critic of the govt's record on tackling rampant corruption.

1) Nigeria **2)** South Sudan
3) Uganda **4)** Bolivia
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 914 India and which of the following countries has signed three pacts to strengthen ties in the fields of economic engagement, sports and diplomat training recently? The present king of the country visited India recently.

1) Yemen **2)** UAE
3) Jordan **4)** Bahrain
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 915 As announced by the Railways Minister in the interim Railway Budget for 2014-15, which of the northeastern states will be brought within the railway network this fiscal?

1) Meghalaya **2)** Arunachal Pradesh
3) Tripura **4)** Nagaland
5) Only 1) and 2) **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 916 The Railway Ministry announced, in the interim Railway Budget for 2014-15, that production in which of the following newly established factories has commenced as of now?

1) Rail Wheel Plant, Chhapra **2)** Rail Coach Factory, Rae Bareli
3) Diesel Component Factory, Dankuni **4)** All the above
5) Only 1) and 3) **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 917 N Kiran Kumar Reddy resigned as Chief Minister of which of the following states recently?

1) Assam **2)** Uttarakhand
3) Andhra Pradesh **4)** Karnataka
5) Kerala **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 918 In view of its success in providing skills to the youth, what amount has been proposed for the National

Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) in the interim union budget for 2014-15?

1) Rs 500 cr
2) Rs 750 cr
3) Rs 1000 cr
4) Rs 1250 cr
5) Rs 1500 cr
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 919 As announced in the interim union budget for 2014-15, the restructured Integrated Child Development Scheme will be rolled out in all the districts of the country. So far, the scheme is being implemented in how many districts?

1) 225
2) 250
3) 300
4) 355
5) 400
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 920 What is the current Marginal Standing Facility (MSF)?

1) 7.75 per cent
2) 8 per cent
3) 8.75 per cent
4) 9 per cent
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 921 Which of the following is correct with respect of agriculture sector as mentioned in the interim Budget for 2014-15?

1) Foodgrain production is estimated at 263 million tons in 2013-14.
2) Agriculture exports are likely to cross USD 45 bn in 2013-14.
3) Agriculture growth is estimated at 4.6 per cent in 2013-14.
4) The target for agriculture credit has been fixed at Rs 8 lakh cr for 2014-15.
5) All the above
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 922 Which of the following states has become the first state in the country to launch the National Urban Health Mission (NUHM) recently? Under the mission, special focus is being laid on urban poor, construction labourers, homeless wage earners and slum dwellers.

1) Bihar
2) Madhya Pradesh
3) Karnataka
4) Uttar Pradesh
5) Haryana
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 923 The 35th meeting of the Foreign Ministers of South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) countries was held at Bandos Island Resort in Maldives recently. Which of the following countries is NOT among the nine observer countries to the SAARC?

1) Japan
2) Iran
3) Australia
4) US
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 924 The Banking Ombudsman is a senior official tasked with redressing customer complaints against deficiency in certain banking services and is appointed by the

1) Reserve Bank of India
2) Ministry of Finance
3) Indian Banks' Association
4) High Court of each state
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 925 Which of the following telecom operators in India hold dual technology (GSM and CDMA both the services) licence?

1) Reliance Communications
2) Tata Teleservices
3) MTS
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 926 The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) has given nod for declaring how many kilometers of state highways as national highways recently? The present length of the National Highways in the country is about 80,000 km.

1) 6,000 km
2) 7,200 km
3) 7,500 km
4) 8,100 km
5) 10,000 km
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 927 Which of the following social media giants has acquired mobile messaging company WhatsApp in USD 19-bn deal recently?

1) Google
2) Twitter
3) Facebook
4) LinkedIn
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 928 Street Vendors bill has been finally passed by both the houses of the Parliament recently. Which of the following is correct with respect to the Bill?

1) It provides for protection of livelihood rights and social security of street vendors.
2) It provides for constitution of a Town Vending Authority in each Local Authority.
3) It is aimed at creating "conducive" atmosphere for street vendors, and designated spaces for them to carry out their business.
4) All the above
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 929 The Central Govt has announced to set up Equal Opportunities Commission (EOC) recently. Consider the following in this respect and choose the correct statement(s):

1) The much-awaited EOC will be set up as a statutory body.
2) It will be tasked with checking discrimination of minority communities in jobs and education.
3) The Justice Sachar Committee, which went into the socio-economic backwardness of Muslims, had recommended setting up of such a panel.
4) All the above
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 930 Different stake holders have raised concerns over the RBI panel's recommendation to create dedicated banks for rural inclusion which will be known as:

1) Development banks
2) Payments banks
3) Permanent banks
4) Priority banks
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 931 As informed by the Finance Minister in the Parliament, the gross NPAs of 40 listed banks advanced 36.9 per cent and in Sep 2013 stand at:

1) Rs 1.62 lakh cr
2) Rs 2.22 lakh cr
3) Rs 2.81 lakh cr
4) Rs 3.42 lakh cr
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 932 As projected by the multilateral agency International Monetary Fund (IMF), Indian economy is likely to expand at what per cent in 2014-15 (at factor cost)?

1) 4.6 per cent
2) 5.4 per cent
3) 6 per cent
4) 8 per cent
5) 8.79 per cent
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 933 The Tier I capital of banks, also termed as core capital, consists of which of the following?

1) Share capital
2) Disclosed reserves
3) Certain reserves and subordinate debts
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2) minus goodwill, if any
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 934 Archana Bhargava quit as Chairman and Managing Director of which of the following public sector banks recently? Her resignation came in the wake of a surge in bad-loans at the bank.

1) State Bank of India
2) United Bank of India
3) Indian Bank
4) Bank of Baroda
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 935 As stated in the interim Railway Budget, Indian Railways, through its two companies - Indian Railways Finance Corporation (IRFC) and Rail Vikas Nigam - will borrow what amount from market for capital expenditure during 2014-15?

1) Rs 11,200 cr
2) Rs 12,500 cr

3) Rs 13,800 cr
4) Rs 14,300 cr
5) Rs 15,400 cr
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 936 The Parliament passed the Interim Budget 2014-15 recently. What is the budget allocation for the non-plan expenditure for the financial year 2014-15?

1) Rs 12,07,892 cr
2) Rs 10,12,000 cr
3) Rs 7,11,235 cr
4) Rs 5,55,532 cr
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 937 Forward Contract, Options and Swaps are the examples of which of the following?

1) Derivative
2) Gilt-edged securities
3) Preferential shares
4) IPOs
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 938 The union cabinet gave its go-ahead for setting up an independent coal regulator recently. Which of the following statements is/are NOT correct in this regard?

1) It will be set up as a non-statutory regulator through an executive order.
2) The authority would determine methodology for coal price fixation, methods for testing and declaration of grades.
3) It will adjudicate upon disputes between parties and monitor mine closure plans.
4) The regulator would have power to decide prices of coal in the domestic market.
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 939 India successfully test fired Akash missile recently. Which of the following is NOT correct about the missile?

1) It is compared to American Patriot surface-to-air missile system.
2) It has the capability to neutralise aerial targets like fighter jets and cruise missiles.
3) This is developed by the Defence Research Development Organisation (DRDO) as part of the Integrated Guided Missile Development Programme.
4) It has a strike range of 30 km and can carry a warhead of 50 kg.
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 940 Under which of the following markets, the funds are transacted by banks on an overnight basis?

1) Money market
2) Call money market
3) Term money market
4) Capital market
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 941 The narrow money is represented by which of the following?

1) M1
2) M2
3) M3
4) M4
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 942 Name the state which has been given Krishi Karman award for overall foodgrain production (more than 10 million tonnes category) for 2012-13?

1) Madhya Pradesh
2) Uttar Pradesh
3) West Bengal
4) Maharashtra
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 943 The National Women's Day is celebrated in India on 13 Feb every year. This day is celebrated in the memory of:

1) Sarojini Naidu
2) Indira Gandhi
3) Rani Lakshmibai
4) Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit
5) None of the above
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 944 India defeated Sri Lanka by 76 runs in the ICC U-19 World Cup to finish at which of the following positions recently?

1) Third
2) Fourth

3) Fifth **4)** Sixth
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 945 An Individual having a 'Basic Savings Bank Deposit Account' in a bank cannot have which of the following types of accounts in that bank?

1) Savings account **2)** Term/Fixed Deposit
3) Recurring Deposit **4)** All the above
5) None of the above **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 946 Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, who embarked on a three day official visit to India, recently, is the crown price of which of the following countries?

1) Kuwait **2)** Saudi Arabia
3) Bahrain **4)** Yemen
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 947 The International Women's Day is observed on which of the following dates?

1) 13 Feb **2)** 21 Feb
3) 8 Mar **4)** 20 Mar
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 948 Who among the following is the current President of the International Olympic Committee (IOC)?

1) Thomas Bach **2)** Juan Antonio Samaranch
3) Sergei Bubka **4)** Jacques Rogge
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 949 Which of the following sports federations clinched the Best National Sports Federation award from the Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) recently?

1) All India Football Federation (AIFF) **2)** Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)
3) National Rifle Association of India (NRAI) **4)** Federation of Motor Sports Club of India
5) Billiards and Snooker Federation of India. **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 950 Which of the following telecommunication companies has become the first company to cross 200 million mobile subscribers mark in India recently?

1) Reliance **2)** Vodafone
3) Bharti Airtel **4)** Idea
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 951 Which of the following countries topped the medal chart at the recently concluded Sochi Winter Olympics?

1) Netherlands **2)** USA
3) Canada **4)** Norway
5) Russia **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 952 The banking ombudsman scheme provides an expeditious and inexpensive forum to bank customers for resolution of complaints. Introduced by RBI with effect from 1995, the scheme covers which of the following types of banks?

1) Public Sector Banks **2)** Private Banks
3) Regional Rural Banks **4)** Scheduled Primary Co-Operative Banks
5) All the above **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 953 KYC is an acronym for "Know your Customer", a term used for customer identification process. It does not help banks in which of the following?

1) Determining true identity of account holder **2)** Source of funds
3) Nature of customer's business **4)** Maximizing profitability
5) All the above **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 954 The bilateral ties between India and Saudi Arabia are growing rapidly. Which of the following is/are NOT

correct in this context?

1) India and Saudi Arabia had signed Riyadh Declaration during Prime Minister Manmohan Singh's visit to the country in 2010.

2) Bilateral trade between the two countries was over USD 43 bn in 2012-13 and the target is to double it over the next five years.

3) Saudi Arabia is India's largest crude oil supplier accounting for about 20 per cent of total imports in 2013.

4) Saudi Arabia is the fourth largest market in the world for Indian exports.

5) None of the above

Ans.) 4

Ques. : 955 Which of the following Olympics event is the costliest till date with $51 bn investment?

1) Beijing Olympics
2) Sochi Olympics
3) London Olympics
4) Barcelona Olympics
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 956 Who among the following has lifted the USD 100,000 ONGC-GAIL Open ATP Challenge recently?

1) Yuki Bhambri
2) Rohan Bopanna
3) Aleksandr Nedovyesov
4) Somdev Devwarman
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 957 Who among the following has won the Rio Open 2014 tennis tournament recently?

1) Stanislas Wawrinka
2) Alexandr Dolgopolov
3) Rafael Nadal
4) Roger Federer
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 958 Who among the following was given the Player of the Year award at the National Sports Award by presented by the FICCI recently?

1) Sunil Chhetri
2) Devendra Jhajharia
3) Yuvraj Singh
4) PV sindhu
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 959 The Bimal Jalan panel, which scrutinised applications for new bank licences, submitted its report to the Reserve Bank of India recently. Which of the following is/are correct with the respect of number of banks of different categories in India?

1) Public sector banks – 27
2) Private sector banks – 22
3) Regional rural banks – 56
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 960 LIBOR, which is acronym for London Inter Bank Offered Rate, is the interest rate at which banks offer to lend funds to which among the following?

1) Govts
2) Interbank market
3) Major infrastructure projects
4) Acquisitions by firms
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 961 We often read about decreasing or increasing different rates and ratios by the RBI by certain basis points. One basis point is equal to which of the following?

1) 1%
2) 0.1%
3) 0.01%
4) 0.001%
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 962 The govt has given its nod to classify which of the following languages as the sixth Indian classical language?

1) Odia
2) Marathi
3) Gujarati
4) Bengali
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 963 The book 'Crossing the Bay of Bengal' has been authored by who among the following?

1) Sunil S Amrith
2) Reza Aslan

3) Chaman Lal
4) Pankaj Mishra
5) Sunil S Amrith
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 964 India's heaviest rocket ever is expected to take to the sky on an experimental flight whose later versions could be used to send humans on space missions. Name the rocket which is a GSLV version.

1) GSLV-D1
2) GSLV-D2
3) GSLV-Mk II
4) GSLV-Mk III
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 965 David Johnston, who visited to India recently, is the present Governor General of which of the following countries? Three agreements were signed between the two countries during his visit.

1) Canada
2) Spain
3) Norway
4) Switzerland
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 966 Name the cricketer who has been appointed the brand ambassador of Gujarat state Election Commission recently.

1) Rahul Dravid
2) Cheteshwar Pujara
3) R Ashwin
4) Virat Kohli
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 967 Which of the following is NOT classified as a Classical Languages of India by the govt so far?

1) Tamil
2) Sanskrit
3) Kannada
4) Telugu
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 968 The world's longest (20km) free Wi-Fi zone was inaugurated in which of the following cities recently?

1) Chennai
2) Bangalore
3) Patna
4) Lucknow
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 969 The Archeological Survey of India (ASI) along with Google unveiled 360-degree online view of how many of 100 nationally important monuments recently?

1) 10
2) 20
3) 30
4) 40
5) 50
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 970 Who among the following has become the first Indian to be elected as the president of Administrative Tribunal of the Asian Development Bank (ADB) for three years recently?

1) Arundhati Bhattacharya
2) Lakshmi Swaminathan
3) Shikha Sharma
4) Archana Bhargava
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 971 Name the oldest Member of Parliament (MP) till date, who retired after seven decades in politics recently.

1) Praveen Rashtrapal
2) Thangso Baite
3) Rishang Keishing
4) Thokchom Meinya
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 972 As per the prevailing norms, banks declare an account inoperative if it is not used for what period?

1) Six months
2) One year
3) Two years
4) Five years
5) Never
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 973 Expand the term IMPS.

1) Immediate Payment Service
2) Inter-Mobile Payment Service
3) International Mobile Payment Service
4) Instant Payment Service

5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 974 Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC) has launched e-wallet scheme aimed at making purchase of e-tickets easier. Currently, IRCTC provides facility to make the payment for booking e-ticket through which of the following means?

1) Net banking only **2)** Debit card only
3) Credit card only **4)** All the above
5) Only 1) and 3) **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 975 Asian Development Bank (ADB), which has 64 members including India, is headquartered at which of the following cities?

1) Kuala Lumpur **2)** Manila
3) Tokyo **4)** Bangkok
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 976 The Vice President of India, Hamid Ansari released a book titled “Public Issues before Parliament” recently. The book is authored by:

1) Vijay Darda **2)** Praveen Rashtrapal
3) Thangso Baite **4)** Rishang Keishing
5) Thokchom Meinya **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 977 Name the India-born doctor, a senior cardiovascular surgeon at Harvard University, who has worked out a 21-chemical solution named SOMAH that could preserve a donated organ for up to a week before a transplant.

1) Pawan Kumar **2)** Vivek Rao
3) Hemant Thatte **4)** Harminder Dua
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 978 Javad Zarif, who visited New Delhi on a two day official visit, recently, is the present Foreign Minister of which of the following countries?

1) Indonesia **2)** Malaysia
3) Kuwait **4)** Iran
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 979 The Indian Navy Chief DK Joshi resigned, recently, taking responsibility of a mishap in which of the following submarine?

1) INS Sindhughosh **2)** INS Sindhuratna
3) INS Sindhurakshak **4)** INS Sindhukesari
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 980 Which among the following countries has been ranked on top among 10 countries in a new study by Accenture in their use of "digital government"? India has been ranked 8th in the study.

1) Singapore **2)** Norway
3) UAE **4)** US
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 981 Who among the following was given the Lifetime Achievement award at the National Sports Award presented by the FICCI recently?

1) Saurabh Ganguly **2)** Rahul Dravid
3) Sachin Tendulkar **4)** Baichung Bhutia
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 982 What does letter ‘C’ denotes in the term ECS?

1) Collection **2)** Certification
3) Cancellation **4)** Clearing
5) Credit **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 983 What is the expanded form of VCES, a facility provided by the Finance Ministry to tax defaulters?

1) Voluntary Compliance Expansion Scheme
2) Voluntary Compliance Exemption Scheme
3) Voluntary Compliance Establishment Scheme
4) Voluntary Compliance Encouragement Scheme
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 984 Who among the following was given the Most Inspiring Sportsperson of the Year award at the National Sports Award presented by the FICCI recently?

1) Deepika Kumari
2) PV Sindhu
3) Saina Nehwal
4) Vijay Zol
5) Yuvraj Singh
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 985 Name the Indian-origin scientist in the UK, who has discovered an ultra-thin layer hidden deep in the eye that may help cure blindness caused by glaucoma recently.

1) Harminder Dua
2) Pawan Kumar
3) Vivek Rao
4) Hemant Thatte
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 986 The govt has decided against changing the appointment criteria for RBI deputy governors. The rules, which were last altered around five years ago, prohibits which among the following from being considered for a deputy governor's job in the RBI?

1) Non-Banking Finance Companies
2) Private Banks
3) Foreign Banks
4) All the above
5) None of the above
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 987 Bank's non-performing assets (NPAs) surged 50% in 2013 as revealed in a report released by NPAsource.com recently. Which of the following banks had the highest share of NPAs among the listed banks in 2013?

1) Bank of Baroda
2) Punjab National Bank
3) State Bank of India
4) Union Bank of India
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 988 Which of the following countries has overtaken India as the world's largest gold consumer according to a World Gold Council report released recently?

1) US
2) Russia
3) Japan
4) China
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 989 The govt has notified quadricycle as a new vehicle which can ply on roads from 1 Oct. Which of the following is correct about quadricycles as described by the govt?

1) The vehicle can be used for carrying passengers as well as transporting cargo.
2) The kerb weight (vehicle weight) of passenger quadricycle has been fixed at 450 and for cargo vehicle the total weight is 550 kg.
3) These vehicles are barred from taking highways and their maximum designed speed will be only 70 kmph.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 990 Expand the term MFI as used in banking/finance.

1) Market Finance Institution
2) Medium Finance Institution
3) Micro Finance Institution
4) Mega Finance Institution
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 991 In the recent meeting of finance ministers and central bank governors from the Group of 20 (G20) held at Sydney, the group vowed to add what amount to world economy to lift growth?

1) USD 2 tn
2) USD 3 tn
3) USD 4 tn
4) USD 5 tn
5) USD 6 tn
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 992 The book titled ‘Homeless on Google Earth’ has been authored by who among the following?

1) Hansda Sowendra Shekhar **2)** Mukul Kesavan
3) Indrajit Hazra **4)** Manoj Mitta
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 993 Which of the following is NOT a banking/finance related term?

1) Underwriting **2)** Undertaking
3) Underpinning **4)** Outstanding
5) None of the above **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 994 Which of the following Swiss banks has agreed to pay $196 mn to settle charges that it violated US securities law by providing cross-border financial services for US clients without registering with regulators?

1) RBS **2)** Julius Baer Group
3) Credit Suisse AG **4)** Zurich Cantonal Bank
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 995 Which of the following countries is planning to reduce its army to its lowest manning levels since 1940, before its military dramatically expanded after entering World War II?

1) Japan **2)** US
3) UK **4)** Germany
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 996 PM Matteo Renzi was sworn in as youngest-ever Prime Minister, recently, in which of the following countries?

1) Norway **2)** Spain
3) Italy **4)** Singapore
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 997 The World Bank has postponed a $90-mn loan for the health system in which of the following countries after an anti-gay bill was signed into law by the president in the country recently?

1) Uganda **2)** Nigeria
3) Belgium **4)** Bulgaria
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 998 Bangaru Laxman, who died recently, was the first Dalit to head which of the following parties? He was convicted under the Prevention of Corruption Act by a special CBI court and sentenced to four years in jail in Apr 2012.

1) INS **2)** BJP
3) TDP **4)** DMK
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 999 Who among the following has won the men's singles title of the Dubai Duty Free tennis championships recently?

1) Daniel Nestor **2)** Tomas Berdych
3) Roger Federer **4)** Juan Martín del Potro
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1000 Former Director General of Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) Rajiv was appointed as a vigilance commissioner in Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) recently. Who among the following is the Central Vigilance Commissioner at present?

1) Pradeep Kumar **2)** R Sri Kumar
3) S K Sarkar **4)** J M Garg
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1001 The Govt notified rules for mandatory 'corporate social responsibility (CSR)' spending recently. Consider the following in this regard and identify the correct statement(s):

1) Under new rules, companies with sizable businesses would need to spend minimum 2 per cent of net profit for benefit of society.

2) The CSR activities will have to be within India, and the new rules will also apply to foreign companies registered here.

3) Funds given to political parties and the money spent for the benefit of the company's own employees (and their families) will not count as CSR.

4) All the above

5) Only 1) and 3)

Ans.) 4

Ques. : 1002 Which of the following teams has won the ICC U-19 World Cup recently?

1) Pakistan
2) South Africa
3) India
4) Sri Lanka
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 1003 Which of the following banks has the highest number of branches outside India?

1) HDFC Bank
2) ICICI Bank
3) Bank of Baroda
4) Indian Overseas Bank
5) Punjab National Bank
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1004 The Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) Summit was held on 4 Mar in which of the following countries?

1) India
2) Bangladesh
3) Myanmar
4) Nepal
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1005 The United Nations launched a series of events named "Kwibuka 20" to mark the 20th anniversary of the genocide claiming more than 500,000 lives in which of the following countries?

1) Central African Republic
2) Rwanda
3) Nigeria
4) Mali
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 1006 India and which of the following countries have signed a slew of agreements on cooperation in legal assistance and public and homeland security recently?

1) Israel
2) Norway
3) New Zealand
4) US
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 1007 What is the upper limit prescribed for Real Time Gross Settlement (RTGS) transactions by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)?

1) Rs 2 lakh
2) Rs 3 lakh
3) Rs 5 lakh
4) Rs 10 lakh
5) No upper limit
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 1008 The govt has raised workdays for tribals under MNREGA scheme from 100 to 150 recently. Consider the following in this regard and identify the correct statement(s):

1) The Union Cabinet decision will come into effect from Apr 2015.

2) Those tribals who have received land rights under the Forest Rights Act, 2006 will be eligible for additional 50 days.

3) The beneficiaries would be those who have completed 100 workdays in that particular financial

4) All the above

5) Only 2) and 3)

Ans.) 5

Ques. : 1009 The Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) rules will take effect from 1 Apr, as part of the new Companies Act. They will apply to the companies with:

1) At least Rs 5 cr net profit
2) Rs 1,000 cr turnover
3) Rs 500 cr net worth
4) Any of the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 1010 Which among the following pairs won the doubles title of the Dubai Duty Free tennis championships recently?

1) Daniel Nestor and N Zimonjic
2) Rohan Bopanna and Aihsan ul Haq Qureshi
3) Roberto Batiusta Agut and Igor Susling
4) Mahesh Bhupathi nad David Istomin
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 1011 The govt gave its nod to a proposal to provide support to visually impaired students recently. Which among the following is correct in this regard?

1) Accessible mobile phones will be provided to visually impaired students of 18 years and above only once in five years.
2) Laptop, Braille Note Taker and Brailler will be provided to school-going disabled students (10th and above) once in 10 years.
3) The income eligibility ceiling for 100 per cent concession in purchase of support fittings has been increased from the existing Rs 6,500 per month to Rs 15,000 per month.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 1012 The BIMSTEC grouping does not comprise which of the following countries?

1) Nepal
2) Bhutan
3) Myanmar
4) Thailand
5) China
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 1013 What does the term ‘red herring’ refers to in the context of an IPO?

1) Minimum offer per share
2) No of shares offered
3) Preliminary prospectus
4) Size of IPO
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1014 Ahead of Lok Sabha polls, the govt has decided to include the Jat community in the central list of OBCs in nine states. Which of the following states is not among these nine states?

1) Rajasthan
2) Himachal Pradesh
3) Gujarat
4) Bihar
5) Punjab
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 1015 Which of the following movies has won the best picture Oscar at the 86th Academy Awards recently?

1) The Great Gatsby
2) Gravity
3) Frozen
4) 12 Years a Slave
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 1016 GK Chadha, who passed away recently, was the first president of the SAARC-established South Asian University and a noted

1) Economist
2) Chemist
3) Physicist
4) Biologist
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 1017 The World Wildlife Day is observed on:

1) 28 Feb
2) 1 Mar
3) 2 Mar
4) 3 Mar
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 1018 AIBA, which terminated India from its fold recently, is the international governing body associated with the game of:

1) Badminton
2) Billiards
3) Boxing
4) Baseball
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1019 The Govt removed restrictions on onion exports by doing away with the MEP recently. MEP stands for:

1) Minimum Export Price
2) Minimum Exchange Price
3) Maximum Export Price
4) Maximum Exchange Price

5) Minimum Established Price **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1020 The govt has launched the 'Maulana Azad Sehat Scheme'. Under the scheme, a 'Sehat Card' will be issued to each student enrolled in institutions aided by the Maulana Azad Education Foundation belonging to _____population.

1) Refugee **2)** Tribal
3) Nomadic **4)** Minority
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1021 Which among the following is the first private bank of India which has commenced its operations in China recently?

1) ICICI **2)** YES Bank
3) Axis Bank **4)** Kotak Mahindra Bank
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1022 Market regulator SEBI has proposed 'Monitoring Agency' to oversee possible misuse of IPO funds. Currently, companies are required to appoint such agencies only for IPOs and other public issues worth _____or more.

1) Rs 100 cr **2)** Rs 200 cr
3) Rs 300 cr **4)** Rs 400 cr
5) Rs 500 cr **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 1023 Which of the following has been made compulsory by the RBI for all debit card transactions from 1 Dec, 2013?

1) Punching PIN **2)** Furnishing ID card
3) Using one-time password send by the bank **4)** Shopping at RBI-authorised point-of-sales only
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1024 Which of the following sports federations in India has been accorded status of National Sports Federation recently and now it will represent India in international events? Earlier, the Sports Ministry had derecognised it for not adhering to govt guidelines.

1) Hockey India **2)** Indian Boxing Federation
3) All India Tennis Association **4)** Badminton Association of India
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1025 The Lok Sabha poll schedule was announced recently by the Election Commissioner of India. Who among the following is the current Chief Election Commissioner?

1) KG Balakrishnan **2)** Navin Chawla
3) VS Samapath **4)** Harishankar Brahma
5) SY Quraishi **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1026 The RBI has extended the date for exchanging pre-2005 banknotes and has advised banks to facilitate the exchange of these notes for full value and without causing any inconvenience to the public. Now exchange will be available till:

1) 31 Jul 2014 **2)** 30 Sep 2014
3) 1 Jan 2015 **4)** 31 Jan 2015
5) 31 Mar 2015 **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1027 Sheila Dikshit has been appointed Governor of which of the following states recently?

1) Karnataka **2)** Tamil Nadu
3) Kerala **4)** Odisha
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1028 Which of the following state govts has announced to introduce health insurance scheme for journalists with provision of insurance cover worth Rs 1 lakh per annum for them?

1) Madhya Pradesh **2)** Uttar Pradesh
3) Odisha **4)** Kerala

5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1029 Graeme Smith, who retired from international cricket, recently, was erstwhile captain of which of the following teams?

1) Australia **2)** West Indies
3) New Zealand **4)** South Africa
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1030 In a ground-breaking discovery, researchers have found that nearly 4,200 years ago the Indus Valley civilisation was doomed by:

1) A monster drought **2)** A massive flood
3) An epidemic **4)** An invasion
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1031 As announced by the Election Commission, the Lok Sabha elections will be held between 7 Apr and 12 May in how many phases? These elections will witness the highest number of phases so far.

1) Five **2)** Six
3) Seven **4)** Nine
5) Eleven **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1032 In case of dishonour of a cheque due to insufficient funds in the account of the person drawing the cheque, a court can punish the guilty (defaulter) with a prison term of two years and/or a fine, which can be as high as _____the cheque amount.

1) Twice **2)** Thrice
3) Four-times **4)** Five-times
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1033 What is the priority sector lending target (as per cent to net bank credit) for foreign banks in India with less than 20 branches?

1) 20 per cent **2)** 22 per cent
3) 30 per cent **4)** 32 per cent
5) 40 per cent **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1034 The US space agency NASA is planning to send a robotic mission by 2025 to Europa which is one of the best bets for alien life beyond Earth in our solar system. It is a moon of:

1) Mercury **2)** Venus
3) Mars **4)** Jupiter
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1035 The political and economic alliance of six Middle Eastern countries, Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), does not comprise which of the following countries?

1) Saudi Arabia **2)** Kuwait
3) United Arab Emirates **4)** Qatar
5) None of these **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 1036 Chief Minister Nabam Tuki recommended the dissolution of the state assembly demanding simultaneous state elections along with the Lok Sabha polls recently. He was the erstwhile chief minister of which of the following states?

1) Arunachal Pradesh **2)** Assam
3) Manipur **4)** Tripura
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1037 The Winter Paralympics held in Sochi witnessed the largest number of athletes and countries taking part in the event. The Winter Paralympics were first held in:

1) 1964 **2)** 1968
3) 1972 **4)** 1976
5) 1980 **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1038 The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) sold SDRs to the International Monetary Fund (IMF) for interim payment to the govt for meeting the fiscal deficit target of 4.8 per cent of GDP in the current financial year. SDR stands for:

1) Share Drawing Rights
2) Special Drawing Rights
3) Structural Drawing Rights
4) Systematic Drawing Rights
5) Sovereign Drawing Rights
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 1039 Who among the following assumed charge as the Secretary General of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) recently?

1) Ahmed Saleem
2) Fathimath Dhiyana Saeed
3) Arjun Bahadur Thapa
4) Sheel Kant Sharma
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1040 Who among the following has been awarded with the Gandhi Peace Prize for the year 2013 recently?

1) Karan Singh
2) MK Narayanan
3) Gopalkrishna Gandhi
4) Chandi Prasad Bhatt
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 1041 Which among the following is the first universal bank of India?

1) HDFC
2) Axis Bank
3) ICICI
4) Federal Bank
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1042 A debit card holder cannot perform which of the following functions?

1) Make Point of Sale (POS) purchase
2) Recharge pre-paid mobile phones
3) Pay Life insurance premium.
4) Make donation
5) None of the above
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 1043 Which of the following is the best option to park money for a long period of time to earn a high rate of interest?

1) Savings account
2) Current account
3) Deposit account
4) Recurring account
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1044 As per the latest data released by the Central Statistics Office (CSO), which of the following is India's fastest growing State with its Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) growing at 15.05 per cent during 2012-13?

1) Gujarat
2) Odisha
3) Jharkhand
4) Chhattisgarh
5) Bihar
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 1045 The Crimean parliament voted unanimously to enter into the Russian Federation and break away from which of the following countries? A referendum is proposed to be held to approve the same.

1) Ukraine
2) Romania
3) Kazakhstan
4) Uzbekistan
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 1046 The President's rule was imposed in Andhra Pradesh recently. In the first instance, the duration of the President's rule in a state is:

1) One month
2) Three months
3) Six months
4) Nine months
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1047 The leaders of the BIMSTEC grouping have agreed to set up the permanent secretariat in which of the following countries to coordinate and facilitate the implementation of activities and projects agreed by the grouping?

1) India
2) Bangladesh
3) Myanmar
4) Nepal

5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 1048 According to the Worldwide Cost of Living 2014 index, which of the following Indian cities tops the list of word's ten least expensive cities?

1) Delhi **2)** Mumbai
3) Kolkata **4)** Chennai
5) Bangalore **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 1049 The book titled 'A Never Before World' has been authored by who among the following?

1) Sidharth Bhatia **2)** Ravinder Singh
3) Rama Bijapurkar **4)** Sudeep Nagarkar
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1050 BIMSTEC was established as a new sub-regional grouping through the Bangkok declaration in which of the following years? Earlier, it was named BIST-EC.

1) 1992 **2)** 1993
3) 1995 **4)** 1997
5) 1999 **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1051 Third BIMSTEC Summit concluded in Myanmar recently. Which of the following is correct with respect to the declaration made after the summit?

1) The Third BIMSTEC Energy Ministerial Meeting will be held in Nepal. **2)** The Fourth BIMSTEC Energy Ministerial Meeting will be held in Bhutan in 2015.
3) The BIMSTEC Energy Centre is planned to be established in Bengaluru. **4)** All the above
5) Only 2) and 3) **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1052 The process through which an investor's physical share certificate gets converted to electronic format which is maintained in an account with the Depository Participant, is termed as:

1) Materialisation **2)** Dematerialisation
3) Conversion **4)** Prioritization
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 1053 What is take-out financing?

1) A method of providing finance for longer duration projects **2)** A method of providing finance for short duration projects
3) A method of providing finance without any paper work **4)** A method of providing finance on very low interest rates
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1054 Which of the following teams has won the Santosh Trophy 2014 football tournament recently?

1) Railways **2)** Mizoram
3) Punjab **4)** Kerala
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 1055 Eight time world champion Pankaj Advani is associated with which of the following games? He has won a national men's title recently.

1) Snooker **2)** Table tennis
3) Chess **4)** Badminton
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1056 Saudi Arabia has formally designated the Muslim Brotherhood as a terrorist organisation recently. Muslim Brotherhood is active in which of the following countries?

1) Syria **2)** Egypt
3) Libya **4)** Yemen
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 1057 The Home Ministry withdrew the sanction given to NIA to prosecute the two Italian marines under SUA

Act recently. SUA stands for:

1) Submission of Unlawful Acts
2) Sanction of Unlawful Acts
3) Suspicion of Unlawful Acts
4) Subvention of Unlawful Acts
5) Suppression of Unlawful Acts
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 1058 The book titled '12 Years A Slave' has been authored by:

1) Solomon Northup
2) Hasan Suroor
3) Vesna P Jacob
4) Simon Denyer
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 1059 Name the Indian envoy to Saudi Arabia who regularised status of 14 lakh Saudi Indians and has been conferred the SK Singh Award for excellence in Indian Foreign Service.

1) Suresh K Reddy
2) Dinkar Prakash Srivastava
3) Sanjiv Arora
4) Siby George
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 1060 A Navy commander died and two personnel were hospitalised following an accident on board in a destroyer of Indian Navy undergoing trials at the Mumbai Port Trust. Name the destroyer.

1) INS Kochi
2) INS Chennai
3) INS Kolkata
4) INS Mumbai
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1061 Which of the following teams has won the ICC Asia Cup cricket tournament recently?

1) Pakistan
2) Sri Lanka
3) Bangladesh
4) India
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 1062 Which of the following auto majors has announced a tie up with Bharatiya Mahila Bank to provide retail finance to its passenger vehicle customers recently?

1) Maruti Suzuki
2) Tata Motors
3) Mahindra and Mahindra
4) Force Motors
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 1063 What is the expanded form of TDS, a term related with taxation in India?

1) Tax Deducted at Source
2) Tax Defaulted at Source
3) Tax Demanded at Source
4) Tax Differed at Source
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 1064 Expand the term FSDC.

1) Financial Suitability and Development Council
2) Financial Sustainability and Development Council
3) Financial Structure Development Council
4) Financial Stability and Development Council
5) Financial Sovereignty and Development Council
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 1065 Anwar Ibrahim, who is facing sodomy charges, is the opposition leader in which of the following countries? Sodomy is illegal in this Muslim-majority country and punishable by up to 20 years in jail.

1) Malaysia
2) Indonesia
3) Pakistan
4) Iraq
5) Iran
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 1066 Which of the following is correct about Special Drawing Rights (SDR) created by the International Monetary Fund (IMF)?

1) SDR is an international reserve asset created by the IMF in 1969.
2) Each member country of IMF has SDRs allocated to it in proportion to its quota in the IMF.
3) Its value is based on a basket of key international currencies - the euro, Japanese yen,
4) All the above

pound sterling, and US dollar.

5) Only 2) and 3) **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1067 Armies of India and which of the following countries carried out joint disaster relief operations named 'Surya Kiran' in Pithoragarh in Uttarakhand recently?

1) Myanmar **2)** Nepal
3) China **4)** Bangladesh
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 1068 What is the term used for the debt instrument, secured by the collateral of an immovable property, in which the borrower is obliged to pay back the debt on terms agreed upon?

1) Lien **2)** Assignment
3) Mortgage **4)** Hypothecation
5) Pledge **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1069 As per the industry estimates, by 2015-16 the domestic steel capacity of India is slated to go up to _____from the present level of 90 mt.

1) 100 mt **2)** 120 mt
3) 135 mt **4)** 140 mt
5) 150 mt **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1070 What does letter 'A' represents in the term CRAR?

1) Allocation **2)** Advance
3) Adequacy **4)** Assets
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1071 The country's largest lender State Bank of India (SBI) has proposed to offer share purchase scheme for all its employees to raise additional equity capital of:

1) Rs 500-700 cr **2)** Rs 600-9200 cr
3) Rs 700-1100 cr **4)** Rs 800-1,200 cr
5) Rs 900-1,300 cr **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1072 The RBI is gearing up to issue new bank licences subject to the Election Commission's nod as the model code of conduct took effect on 5 Mar. Which of the following is correct in this regard?

1) The applicants for new licences include the Aditya Birla group, Anil Ambani's Reliance group, IDFC, IFCI, L&T Finance Holdings, Muthoot Finance and LIC Housing Finance.
2) The applications have been examined by a committee headed by former RBI Governor Bimal Jalan.
3) Now, the Finance Minister will examine the applications and forward his views to the committee of the RBI's Central Board to take the final call.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2) **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 1073 Which among the following is a landlocked country?

1) Bhutan **2)** Sri Lanka
3) Pakistan **4)** Myanmar
5) None of the above **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1074 The present length of the National Highways in the country is about:

1) 60,000 km **2)** 70,000 km
3) 80,000 km **4)** 90,000 km
5) 95,000 km **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1075 The Govt has announced to transfer the special drawing rights (SDRs) of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and in return will receive Rs 15,000 cr in three years. What is size of SDR allocation to India?

1) 2.28 bn **2)** 3.29 bn
3) 3.47 bn **4)** 3.86 bn
5) 4.25 bn **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 1076 India's Heena Sidhu bagged Gold medal in 7th Asian C'ships recently. She is associated with which of the following games?

1) Air pistol shooting **2)** Archery
3) Discus throw **4)** Short put
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1077 Which of the following is NOT an intangible asset?

1) Patents **2)** Trademarks
3) Copyrights **4)** Goodwill
5) None of these **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 1078 Purchase now and pay later is the feature of:

1) Debit card **2)** Credit card
3) Smart card **4)** Discount card
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 1079 Funeral ceremony of First Vice President Marshal Mohammad Qasim Fahim was held at the presidential place with full state honor in which of the following countries recently?

1) Afghanistan **2)** Malaysia
3) Indonesia **4)** Iran
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1080 Who among the following is the Chairman and Managing Director of Bharatiya Mahila Bank Limited, the first women's bank in India and a wholly owned Govt institution which will have 25 branches across the main cities of the country by the end of 2014?

1) Usha Sangwan **2)** Shikha Sharma
3) Usha Ananthasubramanian **4)** Arundhati Bhattacharya
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1081 What is the transaction limit for mobile phone transactions as stipulated by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)?

1) As per the discretion of the concerned bank **2)** Rs 25000
3) Rs 30000 **4)** Rs 35000
5) Rs 50000 **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1082 India has pledged to provide what amount to Bhutan for its 11th Five Year Plan, helping the country to implement major projects that will improve the livelihood of its people?

1) Rs 6.5 bn **2)** Rs 7.5 bn
3) Rs 8.5 bn **4)** Rs 9.5 bn
5) Rs 10.5 bn **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1083 As announced by the BCCI, recently, the initial phase of the IPL 7 will be staged in which of the following countries? IPL is scheduled to be held from 16 Apr to 1 Jun.

1) United Arab Emirates **2)** South Africa
3) England **4)** Sri Lanka
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1084 Public sector bank Canara bank has appointed who among the following as its brand ambassador?

1) Shikhar Dhawan **2)** Ravindra Jadeja
3) Virat Kohli **4)** Cheteshwar Pujara
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1085 Michelle Bachelet has been sworn in as the president of which of the following counrtries recently?

1) Latvia **2)** Chile
3) Chad **4)** Bulgaria
5) Belgium **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 1086 The book titled 'India's Muslim Spring' has been authored by:

1) Indrajit Hazra **2)** Vesna P Jacob
3) Anita Nair **4)** Hasan Suroor
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1087 When the Reserve Bank of India injects liquidity in the monetary economy, it is done through which of the following mechanisms?

1) Increase in CRR **2)** Increase in SLR
3) Repo **4)** LSF
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1088 President Pranab Mukherjee conferred the Stree Shakti Puraskar 2013 awards on six women on the eve of international women's day recently. Who among the following is NOT among these six women?

1) Vartika Nanda **2)** Tessy Thomas
3) Mansi Pradhan **4)** Bina Sheth Lashkari
5) Seema Sakhare **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 1089 When buying and selling of securities is done by a person having access to privileged information, it is known as?

1) Privilege trading **2)** Authorised trading
3) Unauthorised trading **4)** Insider trading
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1090 India's per capita steel consumption is around _____ at present.

1) 60 kg **2)** 120 kg
3) 180 kg **4)** 210 kg
5) 460 kg **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1091 When banks distribute insurance products to their customers acting as corporate agents, it is termed as

1) Dealership **2)** Underwriting business
3) Bancassurance **4)** Dual business
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1092 The Goods and Services Tax, which will bring together most of the taxes that are imposed on all goods and services (except a few) under a single banner, will replace which among the following?

1) Excise duty **2)** Service tax
3) Value-added tax (VAT) **4)** All the above
5) None of the above **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1093 Gilt-edged market deals in which of the following?

1) Precious metals **2)** Corporate bonds
3) Foreign exchange **4)** Govt securities
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1094 The govt has made it mandatory to carry proof of vaccination against which of the following diseases after 15th Mar for everyone entering India from Pakistan?

1) Swine flu **2)** Bird flu
3) Polio **4)** Typhoid
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1095 Who among the following has authored the book titled 'Fit to Fight'?

1) Vesna P Jacob
2) Indrajit Hazra
3) Anita Nair
4) Hasan Suroor
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 1096 Name the Indian-American attorney who is all set to become California's first federal judge of South Asian descent?

1) Neal Katyal
2) Srikanth Srinivasan
3) Vince Chhabria
4) Preet Bharara
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1097 Name the Indian acid attack victim who has won the prestigious International Women of Courage Award from the US First Lady Michelle Obama for successfully leading the campaign against acid attacks on women in India.

1) Sonali Mukherjee
2) Laxmi
3) Anu Mukherjee
4) Late Preeti Rathi
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 1098 The Karnataka Govt has sought over Rs 109 cr from the NDRF for crop loss due to untimely rain. What does NDRF stands for?

1) National Draught Relief Fund
2) National Dedicated Relief Fund
3) National Disaster Relief Fund
4) National Distributed Relief Fund
5) National Domastic Relief Fund
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1099 The Union Govt decided to hike interest rates on fixed deposit schemes offered by post offices by up to 0.2 % based on the recommendations of:

1) Nachiket Mor Committee
2) YV Reddy Committee
3) Shyamala Gopinath Committee
4) R H Khan Committee
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1100 Who among the following has been given the title of the world's richest person in the Forbes 2014 billionaire list released recently?

1) Carlos Slim Helu
2) Warren Edward Buffett
3) Amancio Ortega
4) Bill Gates
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 1101 Which of the following is NOT a term used in banking/finance?

1) Factoring
2) Forfaiting
3) Leasing
4) Sublimation
5) CAMELS
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 1102 What is the term used for the investible funds seeking short term gains from investment?

1) Premium
2) Hot money
3) Debenture
4) Blue chip
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 1103 The term ICAAP is associated with which of the following in the context of banks in India?

1) Risk management
2) Bad loans
3) Capital adequacy
4) Priority sector lending
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1104 In which of the following countries 16 big banks has been sued, recently, accusing them of fraud and conspiring to keep a key global interest rate low to enrich themselves?

1) UK
2) US
3) Switzerland
4) China
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 1105 The recently released book titled, "India at Risk: Mistakes, Misconceptions and Misadventures of

security policy" has been authored by who among the following?

1) AK Antony **2)** Jaswant Singh
3) Pranab Mukherjee **4)** George Fernandes
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 1106 The ICC T20 World Cup 2014 is scheduled to be organised in which of the following countries from 16 Mar to 6 Apr?

1) Sri Lanka **2)** South Africa
3) Bangladesh **4)** England
5) Australia **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1107 The Supreme Court refused to lift the restraint on the sale of its Indian assets by which of the following mobile handset makers as part of its global deal with the software giant Microsoft?

1) Motorola **2)** Nokia
3) Huawei **4)** HTC
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 1108 The Election Commission announced free telecast/broadcast time on Doordarshan and AIR for campaigning for upcoming parliamentary elections. Which of the following is NOT correct in this respect?

1) The facility will be available to six national and 47 state parties.
2) The facility is not available to registered unrecognised parties and Independents.
3) The criticism of other countries, attack on religions or communities, defamatory or obscene matter etc will not be allowed.
4) The concept of free time for parties on state-owned TV and radio was introduced by EC in Feb, 1998.
5) None of these **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 1109 The committee constituted by the govt to assess implementation of the Sachar Committee recommendations and the Prime Minister's 15-point programme for minorities submitted its report recently. The Committee was chaired by:

1) Amitabh Kundu **2)** VR Krishna Iyer
3) Binayak Sen **4)** Sandeep Pandey
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1110 Expand the term ICAAP.

1) Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment Process
2) International Capital Adequacy Assessment Process
3) Internal Capital Advance Assessment Process
4) Internal Capital Adherence Assessment Process
5) International Capital Adherence Assessment Process **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1111 GK Pillai resigned as the MCX-SX chairman recently. Who among the following has been appointed the new chairman of the MCX-SX stock exchange?

1) Saurabh Sarkar **2)** KV Kamath
3) OP Bhatt **4)** Thomas Mathew T
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1112 We often come across the term CSR. What does letter S denote in the word CSR?

1) Security **2)** Specified
3) Social **4)** Substitute
5) Senior **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1113 Which of the following is NOT a delivery channel for the banking sector in India?

1) Call centre **2)** Branch
3) Internet **4)** Kiosk
5) None of these **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 1114 Which of the following is a scheme to augment the urban infrastructure in India?

1) JNNURM
2) Bharat Nirman
3) RAY
4) TRYSEM
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 1115 Which of the following is NOT the name of the currency of a country?

1) Rand
2) Pound
3) Ngultrum
4) Ecuador
5) Dollar
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 1116 Which of the following functions are not being performed by the Reserve Bank of India?

1) Regulation of banks in India
2) Regulation of foreign direct investment in India
3) Foreign currency management in India
4) Control and supervision of money supply
5) None of the above
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 1117 What is the condition for a bank to be called a 'Scheduled Bank'?

1) Its business has crossed Rs 1000-cr mark.
2) Its branch network is over 100.
3) It is included in the second schedule of the RBI Act.
4) It complies with all the above conditions.
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1118 Which of the following is NOT a banking related term?

1) MSME
2) Overdraft
3) Syndication
4) Turnover
5) Equinox
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 1119 We often read about CRISIL and ICRA in financial newspapers. These are:

1) brokerage firms
2) credit rating agencies
3) mutual funds
4) telecommunication service providers
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 1120 Many times we read in financial newspapers about the performance of the "core sector" in Economy. Which of the following is NOT included in the core sector?

1) Coal
2) Auto sector
3) Steel
4) Cement
5) Oil and Petroleum industry
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 1121 Which of the following is a programme launched for school children which has been very successful?

1) Antyodaya Yojana
2) Food for work
3) Mid Day Meal
4) ASHA
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1122 Which of the following is Statutory Liquidity Ratio (SLR) at present?

1) 10%
2) 15%
3) 20%
4) 23%
5) 33%
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 1123 Which of the following names is not associated with the operations of the defence forces in India?

1) Sukhoi-30
2) MIG-29
3) Tejas
4) SARAS
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 1124 As announced by the election commission, recently, the first two states to be issued with plastic photo identity card for elections in India are:

1) Assam and Nagaland
2) Arunachal Pradesh and Mizoram
3) West Bengal and Sikkim
4) Tripura and Nagaland

5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1125 Which of the following mobile operators operating in India has announced to buy Spanish cable operator Ono for 7.2 bn euros recently?

1) Bharti Airtel **2)** Reliance Communication
3) Vodafone **4)** Idea Cellular
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1126 Bru or Reang refugees living in relief camps in Tripura, originally belongs to which of the following states? The chief minister of their home state has submitted a memorandum to the Election Commission urging not to allow them to vote in relief camps.

1) Mizoram **2)** Manipur
3) Assam **4)** Arunachal Pradesh
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1127 Which of the following cities was in news for traffic restrictions imposed there allowing vehicles with certain registration numbers only to ply on the roads on a particular day recently? The action was taken after the air pollution exceeded safe levels in the city.

1) Shanghai **2)** London
3) Paris **4)** Mumbai
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1128 The term broad money is known as which among the following?

1) M1 **2)** M2
3) M3 **4)** M4
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1129 Which of the following banks has launched its Namma Metro Transit cum Debit Card with which people can travel in Bangalore Metro without waiting for travel tokens?

1) ICICI Bank **2)** HDFC Bank
3) Axis Bank **4)** Federal Bank
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1130 Who among the following has won the 2014 BNP Paribas Open (also known as the 2014 Indian Wells Masters) title recently?

1) Roger Federer **2)** Novak Djokovic
3) Stanislas Wawrinka **4)** Andy Murray
5) Rafael Nadal **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 1131 Which of the following regions declared independence from Ukraine in a recent referendum conducted there and applied to join Russian federation?

1) Kiev **2)** Kharkiv
3) Crimea **4)** Moldova
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1132 Who among the following won the Formula One season opener, Australian Grand Prix, recently?

1) Fernando Alonso **2)** Jenson Button
3) Kevin Magnussen **4)** Daniel Ricciardo
5) Nico Rosberg **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 1133 In case of which among the following cards, the user can make payment to the extent of balance lying in his/her account only?

1) Credit card **2)** Debit card
3) Smart card **4)** All the above
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 1134 Nishi Vasudeva has become the first women Chairman and Managing Director of which of the

following blue-chip PSUs recently?

1) HPCL **2)** BPCL
3) IOC **4)** ONGC
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1135 Which of the following state govts signed an agreement with the National Dairy Development Board (NDDB), recently, under which NDDB will manage the State Cooperative Milk Producers' Federation Ltd for five years?

1) West Bengal **2)** Bihar
3) Madhya Pradesh **4)** Rajasthan
5) Jharkhand **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 1136 The govt has agreed to the Election Commission's suggestion regarding ceiling on poll expenditure in elections. Now, the new ceiling on poll expenditure in Lok Sabha and Legislative Assembly elections will be _____respectively. However, this is applicable only in the bigger States.

1) Rs 50 lakh, Rs 20 lakh **2)** Rs 60 lakh, Rs 30 lakh
3) Rs 70 lakh, Rs 40 lakh **4)** Rs 75 lakh, Rs 45 lakh
5) Rs 80 lakh, Rs 50 lakh **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1137 Name the Reserve Bank of India deputy governor who resigned recently?

1) Anand Sinha **2)** Harun Rashid Khan
3) Kamalesh Chandra Chakrabarty **4)** Urijit Patel
5) Subir Gokarn **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1138 What is the expanded for of the term CAGR.

1) Compounded Annual Growth Rate **2)** Calculated Annual Growth Rate
3) Corresponding Annual Growth Rate **4)** Corrected Annual Growth Rate
5) Comparative Annual Growth Rate **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1139 The National Green Tribunal (NGT) directed that no traffic would be permissible on the roads used by animals as corridors along the Kaziranga National Park for five hours daily. Who among the following is the chairperson of the NGT?

1) Ananga Kumar Patnaik **2)** Indira Jaising
3) Asok Kumar Ganguly **4)** Swatanter Kumar
5) SH Kapadia **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1140 Tony Benn, a noted socialist, politician and firebrand campaigner for progressive causes, died recently. He belonged to which of the following countries?

1) France **2)** Germany
3) UK **4)** US
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1141 The United States suspended operations of the embassy and its consulates of which of the following countries in Washington and told their diplomats and staff who are not US citizens or permanent residents to leave the country recently?

1) Ukraine **2)** Russia
3) Syria **4)** Libya
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1142 Which of the following teams has won the Vijay Hazare Trophy recently?

1) Railways **2)** Karnataka
3) Maharashtra **4)** Uttar Pradesh
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 1143 One of India's best-known authors and journalists, Khushwant Singh died recently. Which of the following statements is/are correct about him?

1) He started his writing career with Yojana, the Planning Commission's journal which he founded **2)** He was a Member of Parliament from 1980 to 1986.

and edited.

3) He was awarded the Padma Bhushan (1974) and Padma Vibhushan (2007).

4) All the above

5) Only 2) and 3)

Ans.) 4

Ques. : 1144 World Water Day is observed on:

1) 3 Mar
2) 8 Mar
3) 14 Mar
4) 21 Mar
5) 22 Mar
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 1145 The govt sold what per cent stake held through SUUTI in Axis Bank through a block deal, recently, to garner over Rs 5,500 cr?

1) 9 per cent
2) 10 per cent
3) 13 per cent
4) 16 per cent
5) 20 per cent
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 1146 Which of the following pairs won the women's doubles title of the BNP Paribas Open 2014 recently?

1) Hsieh Su-Wei of and Peng Shuai
2) Sania Mirza and Cara Black
3) Hao-Ching Chan and Yung-Jan Chan
4) Sara Errani and Roberta Vinci
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 1147 The foundation of a 70-storey temple 'Vrindavan Chandrodaya Mandir', billed to be the tallest shrine in the world, was laid down in which of the following states in India recently?

1) Gujarat
2) Bihar
3) Uttar Pradesh
4) Madhya Pradesh
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1148 Take-out financing is a method of providing finance by banks for:

1) Longer periods
2) Shorter periods
3) Mergers and acquisitions
4) Startups
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 1149 Which of the following public sector lenders has announced, for the first time in its history, to offload around Rs 5,000 cr of its Rs 67,799 cr dud assets to asset reconstruction companies (ARCs) recently?

1) Union Bank of India
2) State Bank of India
3) Punjab National Bank
4) Canara Bank
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 1150 Who among the following has won the women's singles title of the BNP Paribas Open 2014 recently?

1) Agnieszka Radwanska
2) Li Na
3) Sara Errani
4) Flavia Pennetta
5) Roberta Vinci
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 1151 A Microsoft survey has ranked India fourth among nations sending out botnet spam during Jan-Jun 2013 period. Which of the following countries has been ranked on the top?

1) Russia
2) China
3) US
4) UK
5) Japan
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1152 The Export-Import Bank of India (Exim Bank) has, at the behest of the Govt of India, extended a Line of Credit of $89.90 mn to which of the following countries, for developing transportation system recently?

1) Cameroon
2) Republic of Congo
3) Tanzania
4) Kenya
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 1153 Which of the following insurers has come under the scanner of IRDA for alleged irregularities in implementation of govt sponsored insurance schemes meant for poor people? The CBI had registered a Preliminary

Enquiry (PE) against the insurer earlier.

1) Bajaj Allianz **2)** ICICI Lombard
3) Max Insurance **4)** Bharti Axa
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 1154 The govt agreed to increase the ceiling for Lok Sabha poll to Rs 70 lakh recently. However, in the Arunachal Pradesh, Goa, Sikkim and Union Territories, the ceiling for LS poll will be:

1) Rs 30 lakh **2)** Rs 35 lakh
3) Rs 45 lakh **4)** Rs 50 lakh
5) Rs 54 lakh **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 1155 Which of the following is not a work of late Khushwant Singh?

1) Train to Pakistan **2)** Chronicle of a Corpse Bearer
3) The Sunset Club **4)** Truth, Love and a Little Malice
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 1156 The new index, proposed by the Rajan committee, asses the backwardness of the states based on averages of ten sub-components. Which of the following is NOT among these components?

1) monthly per-capita consumption expenditure **2)** female literacy
3) share of scheduled castes and scheduled tribes in the total population **4)** household amenities
5) None of these **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 1157 UN unanimously voted in favor of resolution condemning illegal oil export from which of the following countries recently?

1) Syria **2)** Libya
3) Yemen **4)** Iraq
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 1158 Which of the following states continues to remain the top-ranked Indian state in terms of “economic freedom,” an index that measures governance, growth, citizens’ rights and labour and business regulation among the country’s 20 largest states?

1) Madhya Pradesh **2)** Haryana
3) Kerala **4)** Gujarat
5) Tamil Nadu **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1159 The book titled ‘Indian Muslim Spring’ is authored by:

1) Hasan Suroor **2)** Reza Aslan
3) Hansda Sowendra Shekhar **4)** Mukul Kesavan
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1160 According to the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), which of the following countries is the biggest buyer of arms in the world over the last five years?

1) China **2)** Iran
3) Pakistan **4)** India
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1161 Who is the winner of the 2014 Templeton Prize?

1) Jan Sokol **2)** Dominik Duka
3) Tomas Halik **4)** Miloslav Vlk
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1162 Which of the following is NOT a part of the prudent guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank of India?

1) Asset classification **2)** Income recognition
3) Provisioning norms **4)** Loan recovery rules
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1163 In the context of banking sector, DRT is associated with:

1) Recurring deposits
2) Loan recovery
3) Deposit insurance
4) Demand and time liabilities of banks
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 1164 World Tuberculosis Day is observed on:

1) 11 Mar
2) 14 Mar
3) 22 Mar
4) 24 Mar
5) 25 Mar
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 1165 Who among following has been appointed the Secretary of the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP) recently?

1) Saurabh Chandra
2) Ruma Pal
3) Amitabh Kant
4) Vivek Rae
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1166 Nearly two decades after Indian languages were removed from the official curriculum, Hindi, Tamil, Gujarati, Telugu and Urdu are to be reinstated in state schools in which of the following countries? The country is home to 1.4 million citizens of Indian origin.

1) Mauritius
2) Indonesia
3) South Africa
4) Zimbabwe
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1167 Soma Mondal has been appointed the new Director (Commercial) of which of the following Navratna PSUs recently? She is the first woman employee of the company to be elevated to the post of Director.

1) Bharat Electronics Limited
2) National Aluminium Company Limited
3) Shipping Corporation of India Limited
4) Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited
5) Oil India Limited
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 1168 The Reserve Bank came out with final guidelines for the non-banking finance companies (NBFCs) with regard to the early detection and recovery of bad loans recently. Which of the following is correct in this regard?

1) The guidelines will be effective from 1 Apr 2015.
2) Before a loan account turns into an NPA, NBFCs will be required to identify incipient stress in the account by creating a sub-asset category 'special mention accounts' (SMA).
3) The Bank permitted NBFCs to sell NPAs to other banks, financial institutions or NBFCs without any initial holding period.
4) All the above
5) Only 2) and 3)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 1169 The two-month long campaign 'U & Me Against Dengue', a public-private partnership, will be launched in six major cities in the country. Which of the following cities is NOT among them?

1) Delhi
2) Mumbai
3) Kolkata
4) Chennai
5) Ahmedabad
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 1170 India has nominated the Great Himalayan National Park in Himachal Pradesh and Rani-ki-Vav, a 11th-century step well as candidates for UNESCO's World Heritage Site status this year. Rani-Ki-Vav is located in which of the following states?

1) Rajasthan
2) Delhi
3) Gujarat
4) Madhya Pradesh
5) Uttar Pradesh
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1171 Who among the following has been voted the cricketer of the generation by a 50-member jury of current and former cricketers and journalists recently? He will be awarded by ESPNcricinfo.

1) Shane Warne
2) Jacques Kallis
3) Sachin Tendulkar
4) Brian Lara

5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1172 India is one of the fastest growing aviation markets in the world and is expected to become the third largest after US and China by 2020. What is India's current position in this field?

1) Fifth **2)** Sixth
3) Seventh **4)** Eighth
5) Ninth **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 1173 The nation observed 84th Martyrdom Day to pay homage to Bhagat Singh, Sukhdev, Rajguru recently on:

1) Mar 21 **2)** Mar 22
3) Mar 23 **4)** Mar 24
5) Mar 25 **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1174 The govt plans to build how many low-cost airports in the next 20 years in tier-II and tier-III cities as smaller cities are set to lead the air traffic growth in the country in the coming years?

1) 50 **2)** 100
3) 150 **4)** 200
5) 300 **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1175 Who among the following emerged winner of the inaugural Tata T1 Prima Truck Racing Championship held at the Buddh International Circuit recently?

1) David Jenkins **2)** Mathew Summerfield
3) Stuart Oliver **4)** Matt Allison
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 1176 Kendra Sahitya Akademi Awards, 2013 were felicitated recently. Who among the following is NOT among the award winners this year?

1) Javed Akhtar **2)** Ambika Dutt
3) Subodh Sarkar **4)** Mridula Garg
5) None of these **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 1177 Who among the following has been appointed the chairman of the Financial Planning Standards Board India (FPSB), the professional standards setting body for financial planners?

1) Dhirendra Swarup **2)** BN Srikrishna
3) AR Lakshmanan **4)** Dhananjaya Y Chandrachud
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 1178 Which of the following teams won the final of the 4th Hockey India men's National Championship recently?

1) Railways **2)** Air India
3) Comptroller and Auditor General of India XI **4)** Punjab
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 1179 Who among the following has won the women's world squash championship recently?

1) Laura Massaro **2)** Nour El Sherbini
3) Raneem El Weleily **4)** Jenny Duncalf
5) Nicol David **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 1180 Nissan's low-cost brand, Datsun, made a comeback into the car world after a 30-year gap with the launch of a 1,200cc hatchback model recently. Name the new car launched by the company.

1) Celerio **2)** Figo
3) Beat **4)** Go
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 1181 Which of the following automakers in the US will pay a record $1.2 bn to resolve a criminal probe into safety issues?

1) General Motors
2) Toyota Motors
3) Ford Motors
4) BMW
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 1182 How many banks can participate to facilitate a consortium advance?

1) Two
2) Three
3) Four
4) Five
5) Any number
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 1183 The present definition of willful default was adopted by the RBI on the recommendation of which of the following committees?

1) KC Chakrabarty Committee
2) C Rangarajan Committee
3) HR Khan Committee
4) SS Kohli Committee
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 1184 Which of the following countries has been suspended from the powerful G8 grouping recently?

1) Italy
2) Germany
3) Russia
4) Canada
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1185 According to the data from World Health Organization, most drug-resistant TB patient live in which of the following countries?

1) China
2) Pakistan
3) US
4) India
5) Russia
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 1186 Which of the following countries announced a surprise air tax reform in its budget statement which will slash air ticket prices from the country to India?

1) US
2) UK
3) Japan
4) Germany
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 1187 Which of the following state govts has finalized Rs 4,000 cr relief package to farmers in 28 districts of the state hit by hailstorms? The unseasonal rains had caused heavy damage to about 20 lakh hectares crops in these districts.

1) Gujarat
2) Rajasthan
3) Madhya Pradesh
4) Maharashtra
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 1188 The recently concluded TROPEX drill was conducted by:

1) Indian Army
2) Indian Navy
3) Indian Air Force
4) All the above combined
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 1189 The recently published book 'Rogue Elephant: Harnessing The Power of India's Unruly Democracy' has been authored by who among the following?

1) Simon Denyer
2) Anita Nair
3) Indrajit Hazra
4) Solomon Northup
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 1190 What is the expanded form of NCBC?

1) National Commission for Broadcasting Control
2) National Commission for Backward Classes
3) National Commission for Border and Coasts
4) National Commission for Backward Communities
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 1191 International thinktank SIPRI is associated with which of the following?

1) Arms control
2) Sanitation
3) Child rights
4) Refugees
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 1192 The Women in Politics Map 2014 launched by the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) and UN Women has ranked India at which of the following positions?

1) 24th
2) 42nd
3) 73rd
4) 92nd
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 1193 As per the revised ceiling for assembly elections, now, in Arunachal Pradesh, Goa, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura and Puducherry, poll expenditure per candidate is allowed up to:

1) 16 lakh
2) 18 lakh
3) Rs 20 lakh
4) Rs 28 lakh
5) None of these
Ans.) 3