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Ques. : 1 Who among the following candidates created a new record in the history of General Elections in India by winning the election with a margin of 5.7 lakh votes?

1) Darshana Jardosh, Surat
2) CR Patil, Navsari
3) VK Singh, Ghaziabad
4) Narendra Modi, Vadodara
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 2 Which of the following automakers in the US will pay a record $35 mn fine over faulty ignition switches? The US govt's investigated the company for recall of 2.59 mn small cars with the above issue.

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

Ques. : 3 The veteran hotelier Capt CP Krishnan Nair, who died recently, was associated with which of the following hotel chains?

1) Clarks
2) Oberoi
3) Trident
4) Leela Palace
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 4 'Project-75India' is associated with which of the following armed forces?

1) Indian Navy
2) Indian Army
3) Indian Air Force
4) BSF
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 5 Name the Hollywood star was conferred with a special honour, 'Most Popular All Time International Star in India,' at the International Indian Film Academy (IIFA) awards recently?

1) Uma Thurman
2) John Travolta
3) Bruce Willis
4) Tom Cruise
5) Nicolas Cage
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 6 Which of the following does not represent the name of a bank functioning in India?

1) Indusind
2) Kotak Mahindra
3) Yes
4) Tata
5) Federal
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 7 Many a time we come across a term GDR. What is the expanded form of the same in the context of banking/economy?

1) Gross Depository Revenue
2) Global Depository Receipt
3) Gross Domestic Revenue
4) Global Depository Revenue
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 8 Which of the following stock exchanges will cease to exist from May 30 after it failed to adhere to several new regulatory requirements outlined by markets regulator Sebi? It was a 76-year-old stock exchange.

1) Jaipur Stock Exchange
2) Bhubaneswar Stock Exchange
3) Bangalore Stock Exchange
4) Madras Stock Exchange
5) Ahmedabad Stock Exchange
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 9 A new political party that meets the 4% criterion in a particular state is recognised as a 'state party' in that state. To gain recognition as a national party, a party must be recognised as a state party in at least _____states.

1) two
2) three
3) four
4) five
5) six
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 10 Which of the following islands became the first island in the world fully energy self-sufficient through combined water and wind power recently?

1) El Hierro
2) Mindanao
3) Hokkaido
4) Sakhalin

5) Banks Island

Ans.) 1

Ques. : 11 The expert committee headed by former Axis Bank Chairman, PJ Nayak, constituted to review the governance of Boards of Banks in India, submitted its report recently. Which of the following is NOT recommended by the Committee?

1) Banks should not be incorporated under the Companies Act.

2) A Bank Investment Company should be constituted where the govt holding in all the banks should be transferred.

3) If a bank is identified as 'distressed', private equity and sovereign wealth funds should be permitted to take a controlling stake of up to 40 per cent.

4) There should be a minimum five-year tenure for bank chairmen and minimum three year tenure for executive directors.

5) Constraints like applicability of the Right to Information Act should be rapidly eliminated or significantly reduced in order to avoid erosion of competitiveness.

Ans.) 1

Ques. : 12 The BJP became the first political party in India to get a majority in the General Election on its own since _____when the Indian National Congress had done so.

1) 1952

2) 1962

3) 1971

4) 1984

5) 1989

Ans.) 4

Ques. : 13 Name the footballer who agreed to sign a new contract with Barcelona making him the best paid player in the world recently?

1) Lionel Messi

2) Cristiano Ronaldo

3) Neymar

4) Gareth Bale

5) None of these

Ans.) 1

Ques. : 14 Who among the following topped the list of UK billionaires made public in London recently?

1) Lord Swraj Paul

2) Lakshmi N Mittal

3) Prakash Lohia

4) Srichand and Gopichand Hinduja

5) Anil Agarwal

Ans.) 4

Ques. : 15 The sixteenth Lok Sabha election has created a situation when no single party qualify for a Leader of the Opposition post as the rules mandated that the LoP should be from a party whose members constitute at least _____of the total strength of the House.

1) 5 per cent

2) 7 per cent

3) 10 per cent

4) 12 per cent

5) 15 per cent

Ans.) 3

Ques. : 16 Russi Mody, who passed away, recently, was former chief of which of the following companies?

1) Tisco (now Tata Steel)

2) Telco (now Tata Motors)

3) Balco

4) Nalco

5) None of these

Ans.) 1

Ques. : 17 Citizens of which of the following counties rejected adopting world's highest minimum wage (25 dollars an hour) in a referendum held there recently?

1) Switzerland

2) Norway

3) South Korea

4) US

5) France

Ans.) 1

Ques. : 18 India suffered loss to Malaysia in Thomas Cup held in New Delhi recently. Thomas Cup is associated with which of the following games?

1) Women's tennis

2) Men's tennis

3) Men's badminton

4) Women's badminton

5) None of these

Ans.) 3

Ques. : 19 Nabam Tuki was sworn in as the new Chief Minister of which of the following states after the assembly poll held there recently?

1) Mizoram

2) Manipur

3) Tripura

4) Arunachal Pradesh

5) None of these

Ans.) 4

Ques. : 20 The RBI is all set to launch one billion plastic notes of Rs 10 denomination in a field trial in five cities selected for their geographical and climatic diversity. Which of the following cities is NOT among them?

1) Bhubaneswar
2) Jaipur
3) Mysore
4) Kochi
5) Chennai
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 21 Which of the following countries approved a new tax regime, recently, under which those with annual net income of over USD 333,000 will be subject to a 45 per cent income tax rate?

1) Taiwan (Republic of China)
2) South Korea
3) Singapore
4) Philippines
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 22 Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia (CICA) is a multi-national forum for peace, security and stability in Asia. The fourth CICA summit was held in which of the following cities recently?

1) Istanbul
2) Astana
3) Shanghai
4) Ankara
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 23 Sir Jack Brabham, who passed away, recently, was three-time _____ world champion.

1) Badminton
2) Chess
3) Squash
4) Formula One
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 24 The Bhagwan Mahaveer Viklang Sahayata Samiti (BMVSS), an Indian NGO manufacturing the world famous Jaipur Foot, signed an agreement with which of the following countries to supply artificial limbs to some 1000 people free of cost recently?

1) Iraq
2) Syria
3) Libya
4) Afghanistan
5) Turkey
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 25 Biju Janata Dal won the recent assembly polls in Odisha. Who among the following is all set to become the next Chief Minister of the state?

1) Janaki Ballabh Patnaik
2) Srikant Kumar Jena
3) Baijayant Panda
4) Pyarimohan Mohapatra
5) Naveen Patnaik
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 26 Who among the following won women's singles title at the Rome Masters tennis tournament recently?

1) Sara Errani
2) Serena Williams
3) Victoria Azarenka
4) Maria Sharapova
5) Venus Williams
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 27 According to the advance estimates released by the Govt, the foodgrains production is likely to cross _____million tonnes in 2013-14 in the country. It will be the highest ever production of food grains in the country.

1) 257
2) 264
3) 271
4) 288
5) 295
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 28 Balkan countries are scrambling to rescue victims and battling landslides as the worst floods hit the area since modern recording began 120 years ago. Which of the following is NOT a Balkan country?

1) Bulgaria
2) Albania
3) Herzegovina
4) Bosnia
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 29 The Defence Minister of Laos, Douangchay Phichit, and others were killed in a plane crash in the country recently. Which of the following is the capital city of Laos?

1) Phuket
2) Pattaya
3) Vientiane
4) Hanoi
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 30 Pawan Chamling has been sworn in as the Chief Minister of which of the following states recently?

1) Tripura **2)** Manipur
3) Mizoram **4)** Sikkim
5) Meghalaya **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 31 The military of which of the following countries imposed martial law in the country amid a political crisis recently?

1) Afghanistan **2)** Libya
3) Vietnam **4)** Thailand
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 32 The Supreme Court banned 'jallikattu' (bull fighting) and bullock cart racing in which of the following states recently?

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

Ques. : 33 In a breakthrough, scientists have for the first time discovered a revolutionary technique to turn light into matter. The idea was first theorised by scientists _____in 1934.

1) Gregory Breit and John Wheeler **2)** Albert Einstein
3) Max Bom and Wemer Heisenberg **4)** Paul Dirac and John Bardeen
5) Michael Faraday **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 34 China lashed out at the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) for backing Vietnam over tensions in the South China Sea recently. Who among the following is the Secretary General of ASEAN at present?

1) Phung Quang Thanh **2)** Ong Keng Yong
3) Marty Natalegawa **4)** Nguyen Tan Dung
5) Le Luong Minh **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 35 In its recent verdict, the of Supreme Court ordered interim stay on iron ore mining in which of the following states by companies whose leases have expired and directed the state govt to consider and dispose of all renewal applications within six months?

1) Karnataka **2)** Goa
3) Jharkhand **4)** Odisha
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 36 Paleontologists have discovered fossils of the largest dinosaur ever to roam the earth in which of the following countries recently? The creature is believed to be a new species of Titanosaur.

1) Egypt **2)** Argentina
3) Chile **4)** Bolivia
5) Paraguay **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 37 As announced by the Russian President, the country is all set to sign a major gas deal with which of the following countries in order to diversifying gas supply destinations amid tension in ties with the West over Ukraine?

1) Kazakhstan **2)** Pakistan
3) India **4)** China
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 38 The ace player Rakesh Kumar, who emerged as the top money earner in a recent auction for a league, is associated with which of the following games?

1) Kho-kho **2)** Kabaddi
3) Hockey **4)** Badminton
5) Football **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 39 The term of members of which of the following institutions is co-terminus with the union govt and all its members submit their resignation after the general elections?

1) Election Commission **2)** Central Vigilance Commission
3) Planning Commission **4)** Finance Commission
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 40 Who among the following was sworn in as the new Chief Minister of Bihar recently?

1) Ramai Ram **2)** Jitan Ram Manjhi
3) Basistha Narayan Singh **4)** Narendra Singh
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 41 Who among the following succeeded Narendra Modi as the new Chief Minister of Gujarat state?

1) Nitinbhai Patel
2) Parsottambhai Rupala
3) Amit Shah
4) Anandiben Patel
5) Ramanlal Vora
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 42 The RBI governor announced that the central bank is planning to issue bank licences with restrictions and encourage payment banks. As he mentioned, what will be the function(s) of such banks? Payment banks

1) will not take deposits.
2) will offer payment and remittance services.
3) will be constrained to invest all its funds in safe instruments such as govt securities.
4) All the above
5) Only 2) and 3)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 43 The World Free Zones Organization (WFZO), aimed at providing a platform for boosting cooperation among free zones globally, was launched with its headquarters in _____recently.

1) Dubai
2) New Delhi
3) Shanghai
4) Ottawa
5) Manila
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 44 The US announced to never use a vaccine campaign again in counterterrorism operations, recently. It had used such campaign in which of the following major operations?

1) Operation Neptune Spear
2) Operation Odyssey Dawn
3) Operation Geronimo
4) Operation Desert Storm
5) Operation Eagle Claw
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 45 A new study by the International Labour Organisation (ILO) estimates that forced labour worldwide generates illegal profits of at least USD 150 bn a year. The ILO is headquartered at

1) Geneva
2) Wellington
3) Perth
4) Hague
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 46 A US court convicted cleric Abu Hamza for supporting terrorism, recently. He was extradited to the US from _____in 2012 after an eight year legal battle.

1) Jordon
2) UAE
3) UK
4) Saudi Arabia
5) France
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 47 Name the chief minister who is all set to surpass the record of former West Bengal chief minister Jyoti Basu of being the longest serving chief minister of the country?

1) Naveen Patnaik
2) Pawan Chamling
3) Shivraj Singh Chauhan
4) Nabam Tuki
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 48 The PJ Nayak Committee, which has submitted its report to the RBI, has mention about the dual regulation of public sector banks (PSBs) as they are regulated by the RBI as well as the_____.

1) Ministry of Finance
2) Ministry of Commerce and Industry
3) Ministry of Law
4) Ministry of Home Affairs
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 49 An expert group of the Planning Commission has estimated that India needs to invest _____for lower emissions by 2030.

1) USD 400 bn
2) USD 634 bn
3) USD 750 bn
4) USD 834 bn
5) USD 900 bn
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 50 Morgan Stanley predicted that India will emerge from stagflation over next few quarters. Which of the following are the features of the stagflation in a country's economy?

1) Persistent high inflation
2) High unemployment
3) Stagnant demand
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 3)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 51 With the youngest state of India, Telangana, set to come into being on Jun 2, which of the following banks is expected

to manage the general banking and debt account of the State?

1) State Bank of India
2) Indian Bank
3) Syndicate Bank
4) Central Bank of India
5) Reserve Bank of India
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 52 Which of the following telecommunication companies working in India raised nearly $2 bn from the sale of dual currency USD and EUR bonds, recently? It is said to be the largest debt issuance by a domestic firm till date.

1) Idea
2) Bharti Airtel
3) Reliance Communication
4) Reliance Jio Infocomm
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 53 Muslim representation hit the worst tally in the history of Indian Parliament in 16th Lok Sabha election held recently. It stood at just

1) 22
2) 23
3) 49
4) 52
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 54 What is total number to public sector banks (PSBs) operating in India at present?

1) 22
2) 23
3) 25
4) 26
5) 29
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 55 India's Jeevan Nedunchezhiyan is associated with which of the following games?

1) Tennis
2) Badminton
3) Squash
4) Table tennis
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 56 Which of the following autonomous regions of China witnessed a terrorist attack, recently, which left at least 31 people killed and 94 injured?

1) Guangxi
2) Ningxia
3) Xinjiang
4) Inner Mongolia
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 57 The Supreme Court, in its recent decision, held that hiding information can lead to elected candidates' unseating. As per the SC, disclosing which of the following information is mandatory?

1) Their criminal antecedents
2) Their educational qualifications
3) Assets and liabilities of their spouse and dependent children
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 58 Consider the following statements in the context of the 16th Lok Sabha election and identify the correct statement(s):

1) It was the second largest election in the world.
2) Average election turnout was around 66.38%, the highest ever in the history of Indian general elections.
3) The BJP registered second best tally in Uttar Pradesh only behind INS which had won 83 out of 85 seats in 1984.
4) All the above
5) Only 2) and 3)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 59 The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) allowed banks to provide loans with tenures of up to _____to exporters to help them ensure capital flows to fulfill long-term contracts, recently. Existing norms allow banks to give loans for up to one year only.

1) 2 years
2) 4 years
3) 5 years
4) 7 years
5) 10 years
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 60 The ousted Egyptian president Hosni Mubarak was sentenced to _____in prison after found guilty of embezzling public funds, recently?

1) one year
2) two years
3) three years
4) four years
5) seven years
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 61 The state-owned power equipment maker Bhel has commissioned all the four units of the 520 MW Parbati underground hydro electricity project in the state of _____, recently.

1) Himachal Pradesh
2) Jammu & Kashmir
3) Uttarakhand
4) Arunachal Pradesh
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 62 Name the Indian-American student who won the prestigious 2014 National Geographic Bee contest carrying a 50,000 US dollars college scholarship recently?

1) Ameya Mujumdar
2) Akhil Rekulapelli
3) Krish Patel
4) Sathwik Karnik
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 63 The govt has ordered Oil and Natural Gas Corp (ONGC) to pay a record _____ in subsidy to help state-owned fuel retailers cover part of the losses they incurred on diesel and cooking fuel in 2013-14.

1) Rs 49,421 cr
2) Rs 56,384 cr
3) Rs 67,021 cr
4) Rs 70,772 cr
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 64 Indian Consulate in which of the following provinces in Afghanistan was attacked by heavily armed gunmen, recently, which security personnel rebutted and all the Indian staff remain unhurt?

1) Kandahar
2) Ghor
3) Herat
4) Bamyan
5) Badakhshan
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 65 The Reserve Bank eased gold import norms recently. Earlier, the central bank had prescribed a formula under which at least _____of every lot of imported gold had to be exclusively used for exports.

1) 10 per cent
2) 20 per cent
3) 25 per cent
4) 30 per cent
5) 40 per cent
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 66 Veteran Madhav Mantri, who died recently, was India's oldest player of

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

Ques. : 67 In which of the following countries, recently, the army seized power in a bloodless coup, suspended the Constitution and declared night curfew after months of anti-govt protests that left the country in limbo?

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

Ques. : 68 The results of 16th Lok Sabha election indicate that no party qualify as the Opposition and this could affect appointments to key offices that mandate that the govt consult the LoP. These offices are

1) Lokpal
2) Chief of armed forces
3) Central Vigilance Commissioner
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 3)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 69 The Committee headed by PJ Nayak, which submitted its report, recently, pointed out that all PSBs violate Sebi listing norms. The Sebi regulation for listed companies mandates that _____of directors must be independent.

1) 20 per cent
2) 25 per cent
3) 40 per cent
4) 50 per cent
5) 60 per cent
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 70 Negotiations between India and South African Customs Union (SACU) are in progress. Which of the following is NOT a member of SACU?

1) Namibia
2) South Africa
3) Swaziland
4) Lesotho
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 71 India lost to which of the following countries and settled for a historic bronze in Uber Cup women's badminton tournament recently?

1) Denmark **2)** Japan
3) Indonesia **4)** China
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 72 In 1969, in the fourth Lok Sabha, who among the following became the first person to be formally recognised and given the status of leader of the opposition?

1) Ram Subhag Singh **2)** GV Mavalankar
3) Jagjivan Ram **4)** CM Stephen
5) YB Chavan **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 73 Who among the following has been temporarily appointed as the US ambassador to India after Nancy Powell resigned from the post recently?

1) Tara Sonenshine **2)** Stephen W Bosworth
3) Christopher R Hill **4)** Kathleen Stephens
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 74 Who among the following took over as the new Chief Information Commissioner in the Central Information Commission recently?

1) Syed Asif Ibrahim **2)** Rajiv Mathur
3) N Sandhu **4)** PC Haldar
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 75 TR Zeliang has been sworn in as the new Chief Minister of which of the following states?

1) Arunachal Pradesh **2)** Sikkim
3) Nagaland **4)** Manipur
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 76 Which of the following teams has lifted Thomas Cup men's badminton championship recently?

1) Indonesia **2)** China
3) Malaysia **4)** Japan
5) India **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 77 Which of the following teams won the Women's Asian Cup Football championship recently?

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

Ques. : 78 Narendra Modi sworn-in on 26 May as the _____Prime Minister of India.

1) thirteenth **2)** fourteenth
3) fifteenth **4)** sixteenth
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 79 ONGC Videsh Ltd (OVL) has signed a deal with Rosneft to jointly explore hydrocarbons in the offshore Arctic. Rosneft is the largest oil and gas producer of

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

Ques. : 80 Who among the following has won the recent Presidential election in Ukraine?

1) Arseniy Yatsenyuk **2)** Sergei Tigipko
3) Petro Poroshenko **4)** Yulia Tymoshenko
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 81 Who among the following has been sworn in as new External Affairs Minister, the first woman to get External Affairs portfolio?

1) Najma A Heptulla **2)** Sushma Swaraj
3) Smriti Zubin Irani **4)** Maneka Gandhi
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 82 Who among the following has been appointed as the new principal secretary to the Prime Minister of India?

1) Nripendra Mishra
2) RK Mathur
3) Anil Goswami
4) Arun Ramanathan
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 83 The movie 'Frozen' has become the fifth highest-grossing film in box office history across the world. Which of the following movies is the highest grosser?

1) Avatar
2) Titanic
3) The Avengers
4) Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 84 Which of the following currencies has been the best performing currency in Asia-Pacific region against the US dollar so far in 2014?

1) Indian Rupee
2) Malaysian Ringgit
3) South Korean Won
4) Japanese Yen
5) New Zealand dollar
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 85 Which of the following cities has been awarded the rights to host the inaugural European Games to be held in 2015?

1) Minsk, Belarus
2) Zagreb, Croatia
3) Sofia, Bulgaria
4) Baku, Azerbaijan
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 86 Who among the following has won the 2014 Monaco Formula One Grand Prix?

1) Nico Rosberg
2) Jenson Button
3) Fernando Alonso
4) Sebastian Vettel
5) Lewis Hamilton
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 87 Which of the following movies has won the prestigious Palme d'Or award, the festival's highest honour, at the 67th annual Cannes Film Festival?

1) Foxcatcher
2) Mr Turner
3) Maps to the Stars
4) The Wonders
5) Winter Sleep
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 88 As informed by the Afghanistan President Hamid Karzai during has recent India visit, which of the following terrorist groups was responsible for attack on the Indian consulate in Afghanistan's Herat province?

1) Lashkar-e-Omar
2) Jaish-e-Mohammed
3) Lashkar-e-Taiba
4) Al-Qaeda
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 89 Name the coup leader who overthrown the govt in Thailand recently?

1) Jatuporn Prompan
2) Prem Tinsulanonda
3) Anupong Paochinda
4) Prayuth Chan-ocha
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 90 William Pinckney, who was arrested by the Andhra Pradesh Police, recently, is the Chairman and CEO which of the following companies?

1) Nestle India
2) Amway India
3) Nokia India
4) Hindustan Unilever
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 91 As announced by the US President Barack Obama, the US military will be completely pulled out of Afghanistan by the end of

1) 2015
2) 2016
3) 2017
4) 2018
5) 2020
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 92 Which of the following teams won the Sub-Junior Girls National Championship title recently?

1) Hockey Haryana
2) Chandigarh Olympic Association
3) Madhya Pradesh Hockey Academy (MPHA)
4) Jharkhand
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 93 During his recent visit to India, the head of which of the following countries said to have decided to provide automatic

exchange of tax related information with India?

1) Maldives
2) Mauritius
3) Fiji
4) Switzerland
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 94 In the first decision after assuming office, the Narendra Modi govt constituted a special investigative team (SIT) to unearth black money. Which of the following is NOT correct about the new SIT?

1) It will be headed by former Supreme Court judge Mukul Mudgal.
2) It will include Revenue Secretary, CBI and IB directors, Enforcement Directorate official, CBDT Chairman and RBI deputy governor.
3) Former Supreme Court judge Arijit Pasayat will be the vice-chairman of the panel.
4) It has been charged with the responsibility and duties of investigation, initiation of proceedings and prosecution in cases involving unaccounted money.
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 95 The leaders of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) group took part in the swearing in ceremony of the new PM Narendra Modi, recently. Which of the following countries is NOT a member of the group?

1) China
2) Afghanistan
3) Bhutan
4) Nepal
5) Mauritius
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 96 Who among the following has been sworn in as the Minister of Human Resource Development? He/She is the youngest minister of the new Union Cabinet as of now?

1) Radha Mohan Singh
2) Harsimrat Kaur Badal
3) Ananth Kumar
4) Smriti Zubin Irani
5) Sushma Swaraj
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 97 The SEBI wants the govt to pare its holdings in PSUs to ensure what per cent public share holding which the regulator has successfully implemented for private companies?

1) 10 per cent
2) 15 per cent
3) 20 per cent
4) 25 per cent
5) 40 per cent
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 98 Designated by the UN General Assembly, the annual International Day to End Obstetric Fistula is observe on

1) May 21
2) May 23
3) May 27
4) May 29
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 99 Who among the following has been appointed Chairman of the Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal, recently?

1) Justice NP Singh
2) Justice P Sathasivam
3) Justice MB Shah
4) Justice BS Chauhan
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 100 Who has authored the book 'Redesigning the Aeroplane While Flying: Reforming Institutions'?

1) Pallavi Aiyar
2) Mihir Shah
3) Arun Maira
4) Sam Pitroda
5) Montek Singh Ahluwalia
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 101 The international hockey suffered a big setback as the Sultan of Perak, Sultan Azlan Shah passed away recently. He was a father figure for hockey in which of the following countries?

1) Indonesia
2) Malaysia
3) Yemen
4) Pakistan
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 102 Indian Cricket team for upcoming Bangladesh tour for ODI series was announced recently. Who among the following will lead the team?

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

Ques. : 103 Punjab govt has given in-principle approval for setting up a Rs 150-cr mega food park at which of the following cities to promote food processing industry in the state, recently?

1) Ludhiana
2) Patiala
3) Amritsar
4) Mohali
5) Jalandhar
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 104 The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has cleared purchase of a 50 per cent stake in Tata Group firm Trent Hypermarket by which of the following global retail firms? It is the first FDI transaction in multi-brand retail since the sector was opened up in 2012.

1) Carrefour
2) Walmart
3) Kroger
4) Tesco
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 105 Name the Andhra Pradesh Governor who has been given the additional charge of Telangana, the youngest state of the country which will come into existence on 2 Jun.

1) MC Bhandare
2) Hansraj Bhardwaj
3) ESL Narasimhan
4) Konijeti Rosaiah
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 106 In a specialty hospital for patients suffering from dementia and palsy in which of the following countries, at least 20 patients and a nurse were killed in a fire, recently?

1) Singapore
2) Japan
3) Thailand
4) South Korea
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 107 Who among the following has been named the Protem Speaker of the Lok Sabha to conduct oath-taking ceremony of the newly elected MPs?

1) Venkiah Naidu
2) Murli Manohar Joshi
3) Kamal Nath
4) Lal Krishna Advani
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 108 Who among the following has been named to be the next Attorney General (AG) of India?

1) Mukul Rohatgi
2) Maninder Singh
3) Mohan Parasaran
4) Ranjit Kumar
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 109 Nripendra Misra has been appointed Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister through an ordinance as his previous appointment as the chairman of which of the following regulators prohibited him to take the post?

1) SEBI
2) CCI
3) TRAI
4) IRDA
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 110 Who among the following is the present chairman of the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)?

1) VK Saraswat
2) Tessy Thomas
3) RK Tyagi
4) Avinash Chander
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 111 Name the Chinese Foreign Minister who is scheduled to arrive in New Delhi on Jun 8 as a special envoy of his govt to formally establish contacts with the new govt in India.

1) Li Yuanchao
2) Wang Yi
3) Hong Lei
4) Yang Jiechi
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 112 Who among the following has been appointed the new Solicitor General?

1) Mukul Rohatgi
2) Maninder Singh
3) Mohan Parasaran
4) Ranjit Kumar
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 113 In the biggest ever deal in the Indian media sector, Reliance Industries Ltd (RIL) will acquire control in which of the following media houses for Rs 4,000 cr?

1) India TV
2) TV Today Network

3) Network 18 Group
4) NDTV
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 114 According to the information provided by Sri Lanka govt, which of the following countries has emerged as its biggest importing source nation as of now?

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

Ques. : 115 BG Srinivas resigned as the president of which of the following leading Indian software exporters, recently?

1) TCS
2) Infosys
3) HCL
4) Tech Mahindra
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 116 Maya Angelou, who died recently, was one of the greatest poets and writers of

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

Ques. : 117 Seen as Russia's answer to the European Union, an agreement was signed to set up Eurasian Union in the Kazakhstan's capital Astana, recently. Which of the following statements is/are NOT correct in this regard?

1) Russia, Belarus and Kazakhstan have agreed to set up the full-fledged economic bloc.
2) The Eurasian Economic Union will come into force on Jan 1, 2015.
3) It will create a market of 170 mn people, with a combined annual GDP of $2.7 tn and a quarter of the world energy resources.
4) Ukraine, the second largest economy of the erstwhile Soviet Union, too has agreed to join the bloc.
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 118 The Protem Speaker performs the duties of the office of the Speaker from the commencement of the first sitting of the Lok Sabha till

1) the next session
2) the election of the Speaker
3) the govt proves its majority in the lower house
4) the opposition supports him
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 119 National Development Council (NDC) is the highest body in India to approve

1) the Union Budget
2) the Five Year Plan
3) withdrawal from the contingency fund
4) All the above
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 120 The theory of Purchasing Power Parity (PPP) is associated with

1) exchange rate
2) interest rate
3) bank rate
4) wage rate
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 121 Who among the following has been appointed the National Security Advisor (NSA) to the Prime Minister?

1) RK Mathur
2) Ajit Doval
3) Anil Goswami
4) Arun Ramanathan
5) Nripendra Mishra
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 122 Judge MB Shah is the chairman of the Special Investigation Team (SIT) set up to probe black money. Who among the following is its Vice Chairman?

1) Arijit Pasayat
2) Maninder Singh
3) Mohan Parasaran
4) Ranjit Kumar
5) Mukul Rohatgi
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 123 World No Tobacco Day (WNTD) is observed around the world every year on

1) May 22
2) May 23
3) May 25
4) May 29
5) May 31
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 124 Pakistan has said to grant India the status of NDMA to facilitate enhanced bilateral trade. What does NDMA stands

for?

1) Non-Discursive Market Access
2) Non-Discriminatory Market Access
3) National Direct Market Access
4) Non-Divisive Market Access
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 125 The govt has proposed to raise Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in defence sector to 100 per cent. As of now what per cent FDI is permitted in the defence sector?

1) 10 per cent
2) 15 per cent
3) 20 per cent
4) 26 per cent
5) 49 per cent
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 126 The first session of the newly constituted 16th Lok Sabha will be held from _____.

1) 4th Jun to 12th Jun
2) 5th Jun to 13th Jun
3) 6th Jun to 14th Jun
4) 7th Jun to 15th Jun
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 127 Abdel Fattah al-Sisi won a landslide victory bagging over 96 per cent votes in the presidential polls in which of the following countries, recently?

1) Thailand
2) Philippines
3) Egypt
4) Libya
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 128 Which of the following state govts is all set to appoint nearly 1.70 lakh Shiksha Mitras as regular primary teachers?

1) Tripura
2) Uttar Pradesh
3) Bihar
4) Rajasthan
5) West Bengal
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 129 The Indian economy expanded at what per cent during the period 2013-14 as per the official data released by the Central Statistical Office (CSO)

1) 4.3 per cent
2) 4.5 per cent
3) 4.7 per cent
4) 4.9 per cent
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 130 The Union govt declared Polavaram project a national project paving the way for transfer of 136 villages from Telangana to

1) Seemandhra (Successor of Andhra Pradesh)
2) Tamil Nadu
3) Karnataka
4) Odisha
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 131 Who among the following is the present president of the industry body Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI)?

1) Naina Lal Kidwai
2) Sidharth Birla
3) Rana Kapoor
4) Rajkumar Dhoot
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 132 Who among the following is all set to be sworn in as the first Chief Minister of the newly formed 29th state of the country, Telangana?

1) Vijayashanti
2) YS Jaganmohan Reddy
3) T Harish Rao
4) N Chandrababu Naidu
5) K Chandrashekar Rao
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 133 Peter Mutharika has been sworn in as the new President in which of the following countries, recently?

1) Zambia
2) Mozambique
3) Malawi
4) Angola
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 134 Budaun district, which has been in news for gang-rape and murder of two young girls, is situated in which of the following states?

1) Haryana
2) Maharashtra
3) West Bengal
4) Uttar Pradesh

5) Bihar **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 135 What is the number of Rajya Sabha members allotted to the newly created state of Telangana?

1) 7 **2)** 11
3) 12 **4)** 18
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 136 Which of the following technology firms unveiled a prototype driverless car, recently?

1) Microsoft **2)** Intel
3) Google **4)** IBM
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 137 Which of the following Internet giants come up with 'right to be forgotten' option, recently, for the people who opt for removal of results about them?

1) Google **2)** Facebook
3) LinkedIn **4)** Whatsapp
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 138 Which of the following television channels is all set to air Amitabh Bachchan's television debut in the fiction show named Yudh?

1) Colors **2)** Sony
3) Zee TV **4)** Star TV
5) Life OK **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 139 Power Finance Corporation (PFC) and Rural Electrification Corp (REC) rescued Reliance Infrastructure's power distribution companies in Delhi by disbursing a combined _____to clear the dues of NTPC, recently?

1) Rs 400 cr **2)** Rs 600 cr
3) Rs 800 cr **4)** Rs 1000 cr
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 140 Which of the following teams won the seventh season of the Indian Premier League (IPL), recently?

1) Kings XI Punjab **2)** Mumbai Indians
3) Chennai Super Kings **4)** Kolkata Knight Riders
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 141 The 25th anniversary of Tiananmen Square crackdown in China, when soldiers brutally ended student-led protests in 1989, is observed on _____.

1) 1 Jun **2)** 2 Jun
3) 3 Jun **4)** 4 Jun
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 142 As the trends show, households in India put two-thirds of their savings in _____in 2012-13.

1) pension and insurance funds **2)** physical assets
3) bonds **4)** banks deposits
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 143 In its efforts to contain inflation in the country, the RBI announced to suck out excess liquidity, recently. The central bank uses which of the following tools to suck excess liquidity?

1) Reverse repo **2)** Repo
3) CRR **4)** SLR
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 144 The promoters of the Kotak Mahindra Bank reduced their stake in the lender as per the directions from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI). The RBI had asked the bank to cut its promoter holding to _____ by Sep 2014.

1) 60% **2)** 40%
3) 20% **4)** 10%
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 145 The celebrated Indian sportsperson Yogeshwar Dutt is associated with which of the following games?

1) Wrestling **2)** Boxing
3) Badminton **4)** Short put

5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 146 The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) hiked the amount of foreign exchange that individuals can take out of the country to _____ in a fiscal year, recently.

1) $75,000 **2)** $100,000
3) $125,000 **4)** $200,000
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 147 Output of the country's eight core industries rose by 4.2 per cent in Apr 2014 compared to the same month last year. Which of the following is NOT a core industry in India?

1) Steel **2)** Coal
3) Cement **4)** Fertiliser
5) None of these **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 148 Gopinath Munde, who died in a road accident, recently, was serving as _____in the present Union Cabinet.

1) Rural Development Minister **2)** Agriculture Minister
3) Chemicals and Fertilizers Minister **4)** Railways Minister
5) Road Transport and Highways, Shipping Minister **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 149 King Juan Carlos is the present king of which of the following countries? The cabinet of the country is to discuss his abdication and the accession of his son, Crown Prince Felipe.

1) Norway **2)** Spain
3) Argentina **4)** Poland
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 150 Who among the following has been given the charge as Chairman of the nation's largest company Indian Oil Corporation (IOC)?

1) PK Goyal **2)** AMK Sinha
3) RS Butola **4)** RK Malhotra
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 151 Which of the following statements is/are NOT correct with respect to a recent decision taken by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) related to currency?

1) Non-resident Indians (NRIs) who were so far not allowed to take any Indian currency notes out of the country have been allowed to take out up to Rs 25,000. **2)** The citizens of Pakistan and Bangladesh will be allowed to take only Rs 10,000 out of India.
3) Indian residents who were so far only allowed to take out Rs 10,000 have also been allowed a higher limit of Rs 25,000. **4)** All the above
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 152 The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has reduced the availability of funds under the export credit refinance (ECR) window from 50 per cent of export credit outstanding to _____with immediate effect.

1) 40 per cent **2)** 36 per cent
3) 32 per cent **4)** 25 per cent
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 153 Which of the following statements is correct with respect to Arihant? It is

1) India's first indigenously built nuclear submarine **2)** India's first fighter jet armed with nuclear warheads
3) India's first indigenously built nuclear reactor **4)** India's first indigenously built aircraft carrier
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 154 Sania-Cara pair bows out of French Open tennis tournament, recently. The pair succeeded to reach up to _____.

1) first round **2)** quarterfinals
3) semifinals **4)** final
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 155 The first solar plane which is able to fly day and night without fuel or polluting emissions, Solar Impulse 2, was

successfully tested in which of the following countries recently?

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

Ques. : 156 Finance Minister Arun Jaitley has been appointed on the Board of Governors of Asian Development Bank (ADB). Founded in 1966, the multi-lateral funding agency aims to improve people's lives in Asia and the Pacific and is headquartered at

1) Manila
2) Kuala Lumpur
3) Tokyo
4) Jakarta
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 157 The Reserve Bank of India announced its bimonthly policy review on 3rd Jun. Which of the following is correct in this regard?

1) Repo rate – 8 per cent
2) Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR) – 4 per cent
3) Statutory Liquidity Ratio (SLR) – 23 per cent
4) Only 1) and 2)
5) All 1), 2) and 3)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 158 India has emerged as the second largest textile exporter in the world. Which of the following countries is the largest exporter of textiles as of now?

1) US
2) China
3) Italy
4) Germany
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 159 Which of the following countries has announced to start a USD 5-bn anti-terrorism partnership fund to be used to help train other countries to take on rising extremism?

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

Ques. : 160 The term ‘double fault’ is associated with which of the following games?

1) Cricket
2) Football
3) Tennis
4) Badminton
5) Chess
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 161 Who among the following is all set to be the next Speaker of the Lok Sabha?

1) Sumitra Mahajan
2) Kamal Nath
3) Murli Manohar Joshi
4) Karia Munda
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 162 In a breakthrough, scientists have found that a Martian volcano may have been home to one of the most recent habitable environments. This volcano is situated at

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

Ques. : 163 The 2014 Commonwealth Games are scheduled to be held in

1) Los Angeles
2) Rio
3) PyeongChang
4) Glasgow
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 164 Who among the following has won the presidential election held in Syria, recently?

1) Maher Hajjar
2) Hassan al-Nouri
3) Jihad Lahan
4) Bashar Assad
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 165 Who among the following is all set to be sworn in as the first Chief Minister of the successor state Andhra Pradesh post bifurcation?

1) Kiran Kumar Reddy
2) N Chandrababu Naidu
3) YS Jaganmohan Reddy
4) K Chandrashekar Rao
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 166 Defence Minister Arun Jaitley plans to visit aircraft carrier INS Viraat. Which of the following is correct about INS Viraat?

1) It is the aircraft carrier procured from Russia, recently.
2) It is a retired aircraft carrier of the Indian Navy.
3) It is one of the two operational aircraft carriers with the Indian Navy as of now.
4) It is a fast attack vessel commissioned by the Indian Navy, recently.
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 167 World Environment Day is observed on which of the following dates every year?

1) 4 Jun
2) 5 Jun
3) 8 Jun
4) 10 Jun
5) 12 Jun
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 168 As found by the researchers, the first direct evidence that potentially deadly Middle East respiratory virus (MERS) jumped directly from which of the following animals to humans?

1) Horses
2) Camels
3) Dogs
4) Cats
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 169 The market regulator Sebi is likely to tweak IPO norms to boost retail participation. As per the current regulation, a company has to divest at least _____of its stake if its valuation is below Rs 4,000 cr.

1) 50 per cent
2) 40 per cent
3) 30 per cent
4) 25 per cent
5) 15 per cent
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 170 What is the Statutory Liquidity Ratio (SLR) at present?

1) 24 per cent
2) 23.5 per cent
3) 22 per cent
4) 22.5 per cent
5) 22.25 per cent
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 171 The EU has signed controversial Horizon 2020 Project with which of the following countries, recently?

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

Ques. : 172 Which of the following armed forces in India has launched a portal as an initiative that would enable the veterans and their dependents to take up their grievances with the concerned agencies at the click of a button?

1) Indian Army
2) Indian Navy
3) Indian Air Force
4) Border Security Force
5) Central Reserve Police Force
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 173 Who among the following has authored the book titled 'The Wrong Enemy: America in Afghanistan, 2001-14'?

1) Roshen Dalal
2) Carlotta Gall
3) Jo Nesbo
4) Donna Tartt
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 174 The sixth BRICS summit is scheduled to be held in which of the following countries in Jul which will be the first overseas multilateral visit for the Prime Minister Narendra Modi?

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

Ques. : 175 What per cent FDI is allowed in online retail companies that own inventory and sell directly to consumers?

1) 100 per cent
2) 74 per cent
3) 49 per cent
4) 26 per cent
5) FDI Not allowed
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 176 The Finance Minister Arun Jaitley chaired his first FSDC meet, recently. What is the full form of FSDC?

1) Financial Stability and Development Council
2) Financial Suitability and Development Council
3) Financial Steering and Development Council
4) Financial Stability and Diversification Council
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 177 Which of the following is NOT decided by the RBI?

1) Bank rate
2) Base rate
3) Repo rate
4) Reverse repo rate
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 178 Which of the following is NOT an instrument of money market?

1) Certificate of deposit
2) Treasury bill
3) Call money
4) Share
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 179 Amnesty International is closely associated with

1) protecting human rights
2) promoting inclusive growth worldwide
3) making earth a better abode for future generations
4) protecting the world from the dangers of any nuclear war
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 180 Who among the following has become the first Indian to be honoured with Harvard Medal, recently?

1) Azim Premji
2) Anand Mahindra
3) Sunil Bharti Mittal
4) Adi Godrej
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 181 The World Environment Day marks the anniversary of United Nations Conference on Human Environment which was held in Stolkholm in the year _____.

1) 1965
2) 1969
3) 1972
4) 1973
5) 1981
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 182 The UN General Assembly has established a Prize in the name of which of the following world leaders as a tribute to his achievements and contributions, recently?

1) Desmond Tutu
2) Nelson Mandela
3) Mother Teresa
4) Mahatma Gandhi
5) Martin Luther King
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 183 An amendment to the Representation of the People Act (RP Act) limited the candidates contesting elections to contest form a maximum of _____seats in one election.

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

Ques. : 184 India is among 29 nations that sought access to Vodafone's network to intercept calls, text messages and e-mails as announced by the firm which is based in _____.

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

Ques. : 185 As announced by the UN secretary-general Ban Ki-moon, Zeid al Hussein has been appointed as the new high commissioner for human rights. Hussein is present ambassador of which of the following countries to the UN?

1) Jordan
2) Malaysia
3) Indonesia
4) Pakistan
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 186 The Govt is considering which of the following measures to help sugar mill owners in the country?

1) It is considering extra Rs 4,400-cr interest-free loans to sugar mills.
2) It is looking at hiking sugar import duty from 15 per cent to 100 per cent to curb cheap imports.
3) It is considering increasing ethanol blending in petrol to 10 per cent as an effort to improve the liquidity of mills.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 3)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 187 Abdullah Abdullah, who survived bomb attacks targeted at his convoy, recently, is the front-runner presidential

candidate in which of the following countries?

1) Syria
2) Libya
3) Afghanistan
4) Mali
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 188 India has been elected to UNESCO body for conserving cultural heritage for the next four years from 2014 to 2018. The UNESCO is headquartered at

1) New York
2) Frankfurt
3) Washington DC
4) Paris
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 189 The superintendent of police (SP) Nityananda Goswami, along with his and his guard, was killed by the militants in Karbi Anglong district of which of the following states, recently?

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

Ques. : 190 Prime Minister Narendra Modi is all set to visit which of the following countries in his first foreign visit?

1) China
2) Pakistan
3) Brazil
4) US
5) Bhutan
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 191 Who among the following has won the men's singles title of the French open tennis tournament, recently?

1) Rafael Nadal
2) Roger Federer
3) Novak Djokovic
4) Andy Murray
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 192 The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has simplified KYC norms for opening of bank accounts, recently. Which of the following statements is/are correct in this regard?

1) A bank account can be opened with just one address proof.
2) Customers may submit either current or permanent while opening a bank account or while undergoing periodic updation.
3) In cases where customer is not able to furnish local proof of address, the bank may take a declaration of the local address on which all correspondence will be made by the bank with the customer.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 3)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 193 Industry body SIAM is associated with which of the following industries? It released the data, recently, which shows an increase in the sales in the industry which was facing slowdown for a long time.

1) Software
2) Automobiles
3) Textiles
4) Shipping
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 194 Militants attacked which of the following international airports in Pakistan, recently, which left as much 40 people dead?

1) Peshawar
2) Lahore
3) Islamabad
4) Karachi
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 195 One of the first foreign visitors to the Modi govt, Wang Yi, is the foreign minister of which of the following countries?

1) Bhutan
2) Japan
3) Singapore
4) China
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 196 . The men's hockey team of which of the following countries created history by entering hockey World Cup semifinals for the first time, recently?

1) Argentina
2) Netherlands
3) Germany
4) India
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 197 At least 24 students of an engineering college in Hyderabad drowned after strong currents in river Beas in Mandi district in _____washed them away.

1) Uttarakhand
2) Arunachal Pradesh
3) Himachal Pradesh
4) Jammu & Kashmir
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 198 What is the expanded form of SFIO?

1) Systematic Fraud Investigation Office
2) Securities Fraud Investigation Office
3) Severe Fraud Investigation Office
4) Serious Fraud Investigation Office
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 199 Who among the following has won the Canadian Grand Prix Formula One championship, recently?

1) Nico Rosberg
2) Daniel Ricciardo
3) Sebastian Vettel
4) Lewis Hamilton
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 200 Who among the following has authored the book titled 'A Song of Ice and Fire'?

1) Roshen Dalal
2) RR Martin
3) Jo Nesbo
4) Donna Tartt
5) Carlotta Gall
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 201 What is the theme of the World Environment Day 2014?

1) Forests-Nature At Your Service
2) Small Islands and Climate Change
3) Green Economy: Does it include you?
4) Think.Eat.Save
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 202 Which of the following is NOT a banking/Finance related term?

1) CAR
2) Bank rate
3) SAR
4) SLR
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 203 The HidroAysen project, which was rejected by the govt, recently, was to be built in which of the following countries, recently?

1) Chile
2) Bolivia
3) Argentina
4) Spain
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 204 The United States opened a new commercial office in which of the following cities in India, recently?

1) Bangalore
2) Chennai
3) Ahmedabad
4) Jaipur
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 205 In which of the following countries, a powerful Congressional committee has sought a classified briefing on technologies that are currently being considered for transfer or export to India from that country?

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

Ques. : 206 In which of the following countries, a state of emergency has been declared after jihadist militants captured the city of Mosul? It has called upon the UN, Arab League, EU and others to support its stand on fighting terrorism.

1) Iran
2) Iraq
3) Afghanistan
4) Libya
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 207 Who among the following has been awarded with the prestigious Bharat Ratna JRD Tata award, recently?

1) Avinash Chander
2) SR Srinivasa Varadhan
3) CR Rao
4) V Somasundaram
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 208 Salva Kiir is the present president of which of the following countries? He and rebel chief Riek Machar have agreed to

end fighting and form a transitional govt in the country within 60 days.

1) Sudan
2) South Sudan
3) Ethiopia
4) Nigeria
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 209 ELN is the second largest rebel group of which of the following countries? The country announced to start a peace negotiation with it, recently

1) Venezuela
2) Ecuador
3) Guatemala
4) Colombia
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 210 Who among the following has won the women's singles title of the French Open tennis tournament, recently?

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

Ques. : 211 Who among the following has won the men's doubles title of the French Open tennis tournament, recently?

1) Spain Marcel Granollers and Marc Lopez
2) Julien Benneteau and Edouard Roger-Vasselin
3) Michael Llodra and Nicolas Mahut
4) Bob Bryan and Mike Bryan
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 212 The Chinese govt has published a white paper on Hong Kong that stresses its authority over the territory. Hong Kong was handed over to China on 1 Jul 1997 by

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

Ques. : 213 Which of the following gulf countries has introduced a new law requiring compulsory military service for adult males, recently?

1) Iraq
2) Iran
3) Kuwait
4) United Arab Emirates
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 214 The term Roland Garros is associated with which of the following grand slam tennis tournaments?

1) Wimbledon
2) French Open
3) US Open
4) Australia Open
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 215 The US Justice Department is finalising a lawsuit against which of the following banks over its sale of residential mortgage-backed securities?

1) Citigroup
2) Standard Chartered
3) Morgan Stanley
4) Barclays
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 216 Vishal Sikka was appointed as the chief executive officer (CEO) of which of the following leading software exporters in India, recently?

1) Wipro
2) Infosys
3) TCS
4) Tech Mahindra
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 217 An industrial accident took place in SAIL's steel plant killing six persons and affecting several others in which of the following cities, recently? Possibly a composition of deadly methane and carbon monoxide leaked from the plant causing the fatal accident.

1) Jamshedpur
2) Paradeep
3) Bhilai
4) Rourkela
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 218 Who among the following has been appointed as the new revenue secretary, recently?

1) RP Wattal
2) Ravi Mathur

3) GS Sandhu
4) Shaktikanta Das
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 219 Who among the following has topped the civil services examination this year as announced by the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC), recently?

1) Bharti Dixit
2) Rachit Raj
3) Munish Sharma
4) Gaurav Agrawal
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 220 Who among the following has won the women's doubles title of the French Open tennis tournament, recently?

1) Sara Errani and Roberta Vinci
2) Hsieh Su-wei and Peng Shuai
3) Sara Errani and Roberta Vinci
4) Ekaterina Makarova and Elena Vesnina
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 221 A person who wins from two seats in election will have to submit his/her resignation before taking oath. He/She generally submits his/her resignation to who among the following?

1) President
2) Prime Minister designate
3) Protem speaker
4) Vice president
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 222 Sam Kutesa has been elected president of the UN General Assembly, recently. He was erstwhile the foreign minister of which of the following countries?

1) Chile
2) Uganda
3) Jordan
4) South Korea
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 223 The air exercise "Garuda-V" concluded successfully, recently. India conducted this exercise with which of the following countries?

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

Ques. : 224 India became permanent member of Washington Accord (WA), recently. WA is an international agreement among prominent nations of the world, with the charter of promoting mobility and quality assurance of _____across international boundaries.

1) Engineers
2) Doctors
3) Nurses
4) Software developers
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 225 Name the Ugandan writer who won the overall Commonwealth Writers Short Story Prize for 'Let's Tell This Story Properly,' recently.

1) Thomas Piketty
2) Damon Galgut
3) Jennifer Nansubuga Makumbi
4) Ranjit Hoskote
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 226 As per the recent list published by the Forbes, who among the following has been declared the richest cricketer in the world for the third year running?

1) Graeme Craig Smith
2) Kevin Pietersen
3) Alastair Cook
4) Mahendra Singh Dhoni
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 227 Name the South Korea President who went on revamping his/her Cabinet in response to intense criticism over his/her administration's handling of the ferry disaster in Apr this year.

1) Chong Jong-Sup
2) Hyun Oh-Seok
3) Choi Kyoung-Hwan
4) Park Geun-Hye
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 228 India has established ATS Message Handling System (AMHS) connectivity with which of the following countries, recently? It is a part of India's commitment to the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO).

1) Sri Lanka
2) Nepal

3) Bangladesh **4)** Bhutan
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 229 Which of the following pairs of leading IT services companies and their present CEOs is NOT matched correctly?

1) TCS – N Chandrasekaran **2)** Wipro – TK Kurien
3) Cognizant – Francisco D'souza **4)** iGate – Ashok Vemuri
5) None of these **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 230 India's largest warship INS Vikramaditya was dedicated to the nation by the PM Narendra Modi, recently. Which of the following is correct about INS Vikramaditya?

1) It is a 44,500-tonne aircraft carrier with an overall length of about 284 metres and a maximum beam of about 60 metres.
2) It has been acquired from Russia for over Rs 15,000 cr and the deal for the aircraft carrier was signed during the previous NDA regime in 2004.
3) Various naval aircraft, including MiG 29K, Sea Harriers, P 8I and IL-38SD along with Kamov and Sea King helicopters will operate from it.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 3) **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 231 Rana Kapoor is all set to be re-appointed as MD & CEO of which of the following private sector banks operating in India?

1) YES Bank **2)** Federal Bank
3) Axis Bank **4)** Kotak Mahindra Bank
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 232 Infrastructure finance company IDFC plans to start bank operations by Oct 2015. IDFC bagged a commercial banking licence along with which of the following financial institutions, recently?

1) India Post **2)** Reliance Capital
3) Bandhan **4)** Mahindra Finance
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 233 The visiting Indian cricket team won a three match ODI series against which of the following countries, recently?

1) Sri Lanka **2)** Bangladesh
3) New Zealand **4)** Australia
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 234 Which of the following teams has won the women's World Cup hockey title, recently?

1) Australia **2)** Netherlands
3) USA **4)** Argentina
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 235 Dmitry O Rogozin, who visited India, recently, is the deputy Prime Minister of which of the following countries?

1) Uzbekistan **2)** Kyrgyzstan
3) Turkmenistan **4)** Ukraine
5) Russia **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 236 Which of the following teams has won the men's World Cup hockey title, recently?

1) Australia **2)** Germany
3) Netherlands **4)** Malaysia
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 237 Andhra Pradesh is considering taking help from space agencies ISRO and NASA to trace the 17 missing engineering students after sudden release of water from a reservoir in Mandi in Himachal Pradesh. The incident took place in which of the following rivers?

1) Sutlej **2)** Ganges
3) Chenab **4)** Beas
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 238 Militant separatist group ISIS is in news for its activities in which of the following countries, recently?

1) Iraq **2)** Iran
3) Libya **4)** Nigeria
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 239 Which of the following countries lay thrust on 'Gross National Happiness' rather than Gross Domestic Product (GDP) as the parameters for measuring its economic development?

1) Bangladesh
2) Thailand
3) Bhutan
4) Singapore
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 240 The govt is mulling Centre of National Excellence status for the institutions FTII, SRFTI as announced by the Information and Broadcasting Minister _____, recently.

1) Ramvilas Paswan
2) Prakash Javadekar
3) Nitin Jairam Gadkari
4) M Venkaiah Naidu
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 241 Felipe VI took oath as the new king of which of the following countries, recently?

1) Norway
2) Netherlands
3) Spain
4) Peru
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 242 Name the plant scientist who has won the USD 250,000 World Food Prize for his contribution in increasing global wheat production by more than 200 mn tonnes in the years following the Green Revolution?

1) Gebisa Ejeta
2) Daniel Hillel
3) Robert Fraley
4) Sanjaya Rajaram
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 243 The state govt of which of the following states has passed a law to ban dance bars across the state, recently?

1) Gujarat
2) Uttar Pradesh
3) Maharashtra
4) Goa
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 244 The public sector thermal and hydro power generation company NTPC has sought lifting of embargo on Lata Tapovan project work. The project was to come up in which of the following states?

1) Himachal Pradesh
2) Sikkim
3) Arunachal Pradesh
4) Jammu & Kashmir
5) Uttarakhand
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 245 Juan Manuel Santos has been elected to a second term as President in which of the following countries, recently?

1) Venezuela
2) Ecuador
3) El Salvador
4) Colombia
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 246 India finished 6th in overall medals tally with 2 gold, 5 silver, 5 bronze in the Asian Junior Athletics Championships held in Chinese Taipei recently. Which of the following countries finished on top?

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

Ques. : 247 The Bangalore-based GMR Infrastructure has won the arbitration proceedings initiated against the Govt of which of the following countries after the latter unilaterally cancelled the $500-mn contract given to GMR?

1) Sri Lanka
2) Maldives
3) Myanmar
4) Malaysia
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 248 Which of the following leading Indian software exporters has become the world's third largest employer of people in the IT sector, with over 3 lakh employees? At the present pace it is all set to become the second largest employer in IT sector this year.

1) Infosys
2) Wipro
3) TCS
4) HCL
5) Tech Mahindra
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 249 A panel headed by Parthasarathi Shome submitted its recommendations, recently. Which of the following is NOT correct with respect to these recommendations?

1) The post of revenue secretary should be
2) The Central Board of Direct Taxes and the

abolished as part of needed reforms in the tax administration.

Central Board of Excise & Customs should be merged to achieve efficiencies.

3) A separate budget allocation to ensure time-bound tax refund and a passbook scheme for Tax Deduction at Source.

4) Develop PAN as a common business identification number, to be used by other govt departments also.

5) The retrospective amendments to tax laws should be adopted to avoid tax losses.

Ans.) 5

Ques. : 250 Banks park excess liquidity with the Reserve Bank of India through which of the following tools?

1) Term repo
2) Reverse term repo
3) Bank rate
4) LAF
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 251 Which of the following industrial groups in India has announced to invest Rs 1.8 lakh cr ($30 bn) across businesses over the next three years to break into the Fortune 50 club?

1) Tata Group
2) RIL
3) Bharati Airtel
4) Essar Group
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 252 What is India's ranking in the latest annual ranking of the Global Peace Index?

1) 161st
2) 154th
3) 143rd
4) 134th
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 253 Sri Lankan parliament has overwhelmingly voted not to allow which of the following recently?

1) Voting rights to the minority Tamil community.

2) The foreign assistance in building infrastructure in devastated Tamil majority areas.

3) The UNHRC team into the country to investigate alleged human rights abuses during the last phase of the civil war against the LTTE.

4) Opening up different sectors of country's economy to the foreign direct investment (FDI).

5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 254 Name the defending champion of the FIFA World Cup which made a shock early exit from the 2014 World Cup after a disappointing 0-2 loss against Chile?

1) Italy
2) Spain
3) France
4) Brazil
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 255 Shekhar Dutt resigned as the governor of which of the following states recently?

1) Chhattisgarh
2) Kerala
3) Uttar Pradesh
4) Maharashtra
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 256 According to a paper published recently in the journal Climate Dynamics, the Indus basin is projected to warm with average temperatures set to increase by around _____by 2080.

1) 0.5 degree C
2) 1 degree C
3) 2 degree C
4) 3 degree C
5) 4 degree C
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 257 Which of the following leading online retailers has entered smartphone war with launch of 3D phone 'Fire' recently?

1) Amazon
2) ebay
3) Flipcart
4) Sanpdeal
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 258 Who among the following bagged the FIDE World Rapid Chess Championship title in Dubai recently?

1) Teimour Radjabov
2) Magnus Carlsen
3) Aremian Fabiani Caruana
4) Vishwanathan Anand
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 259 Which of the following plants has become the single largest power generating unit in the country?

1) Kakrapar
2) Tarapur

3) Mundra
4) Kudankulam
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 260 The capital markets regulator SEBI cleared a slew of reforms recently. Which of the following NOT among the reforms cleared?

1) It has made it mandatory for all listed PSUs to have at least 25 per cent public shareholding within three years.
2) It proposed easing of the Offer For Sale (OFS) norms wherein retail investors would be provided with 10 per cent reservation.
3) Non-promoters with more than 10 per cent stake in the company would be allowed to tap the OFS route.
4) It approved NOT sharing of KYC (Know your Client) information with entities regulated by other financial sector watchdogs.
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 261 Hindustan Zinc has inked a pact with which of the following state govts to build 30,000 toilets rural toilets for families below poverty line under 'Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan'?

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

Ques. : 262 The World Bank has lowered India's GDP growth forecast for 2014-15 to what per cent? Earlier it has forecasted of 5.7 per cent GDP growth.

1) 4.5 per cent
2) 4.8 per cent
3) 5.1 per cent
4) 5.5 per cent
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 263 In her first stand-alone visit abroad as the External Affairs Minister, Sushma Swaraj is scheduled to visit which of the following countries on June 25-27?

1) Pakistan
2) Myanmar
3) Maldives
4) Sri Lanka
5) Bangladesh
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 264 As per the latest data released by Swiss National Bank (SNB), Switzerland’s central banking authority, Indian money in Swiss banks has risen to over

1) Rs 14,000 cr
2) Rs 19,000 cr
3) Rs 22,000 cr
4) Rs 34,000 cr
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 265 Who among the following has been chosen for the prestigious Jnanpith award for 2013? He will be the recipient of the 49th Jnanpith award.

1) Vinod Kumar Shukla
2) Manglesh Dabral
3) Ashok Vajpeyi
4) Kedarnath Singh
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 266 Which of the following pairs won the women's doubles title at the Tri-Nation squash doubles tournament in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia recently?

1) Dipika Pallikal and Joshana Chinappa
2) Saumya Karki and Dipika Pallikal
3) Joshana Chinappa and Saumya Karki
4) Vaidehi Reddy and Saumya Karki
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 267 The central govt announced to launch a campaign to ensure 100 per cent immunization of children in states hit by encephalitis outbreak. This deadly disease is transmitted by

1) Flies
2) Cats
3) Mosquitoes
4) Rats
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 268 We often read about Jaipur Foot in newspapers. What is Jaipur Foot?

1) A deadly disease that affect camels
2) A literary fest organised in Jaipur every year
3) A rubber-based prosthetic leg
4) A special shoe made exclusively in Jaipur
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 269 Who among the following has topped the Indian Institutes of Technology-Joint Entrance Examination (IIT-JEE) Advanced 2014?

1) Chitraang Murdia
2) Srajan Garg
3) Aditi
4) Mayank Bansal
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 270 The NDA govt has decided to bring broad changes in MNREGA scheme. Which of the following are the changes proposed?

1) Bringing focus on agriculture with at least Rs 25,000 cr of investment into this sector alone.
2) Emphasis on addressing the issues including poor asset quality, absence of adequate technical staff and lack of outcome orientation.
3) Strengthening of social audits by identifying, training and equipping rural youth in overseeing implementation of the programme.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 3)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 271 Mandovi river water has been declared unsafe for swimming and fishing due to presence of high level of coliform bacteria in it. This river is situated in which of the following states?

1) Gujarat
2) Goa
3) Tamil Nadu
4) Kanrataka
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 272 China has signed business deals worth about USD 5 bn during Chinese Premier Li Keqiang's recent visit to the country? Deals signed covers areas including exports and ship building.

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

Ques. : 273 The Andean Road System built by the Inca Empire has been granted World Heritage status recently. Which of the following agencies of the United Nations grant World Heritage status to cultural and natural sites in the world?

1) WMO
2) UNESCO
3) WB
4) WIPO
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 274 Name the Brazilian President who has been officially endorsed by the governing Workers Party, recently, to run for re-election to be held in Oct?

1) Fernando Henrique Cardoso
2) Fernando Collor de Mello
3) Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva
4) Dilma Rousseff
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 275 Kiren Rijiju led the Indian delegation to 6th Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Reduction held in Bangkok recently. He is the Minister of State for _____at present.

1) Skill Development, Entrepreneurship, Youth Affairs and Sports
2) Culture and Tourism
3) Home Affairs
4) Planning, Statistics and Programme Implementation
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 276 Which of the following sites in India has got World Heritage site tag recently?

1) Nilgiri Mountain Railway
2) Rani-ki-Vav
3) Red Fort Complex
4) Kaziranga Wild Life Sanctuary
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 277 The govt has decided to raise the import duty on sugar from 15 per cent to what per cent recently?

1) 20 per cent
2) 30 per cent
3) 40 per cent
4) 50 per cent
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 278 India has ratified an Additional Protocol with the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) recently. What will be its impact on India's civil nuclear programme?

1) It will clear the decks for large imports of nuclear technology.
2) It will cover only those facilities which are monitored by the IAEA.
3) India will not be able to set up any new nuclear facility for a period of ten years.
4) All the above

5) Only 1) and 2) **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 279 Popular film director-producer Ramanarayanan passed away recently. He was associated with _____films.

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

Ques. : 280 According to a UNICEF report, at present only _____of rural Indian population has access to good toilet and sanitation facilities.

1) 48 per cent **2)** 36 per cent
3) 24 per cent **4)** 12 per cent
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 281 Which of the following countries has announced that it is preparing a list of Indians suspected to have un-taxed money parked there?

1) UK **2)** Switzerland
3) Mauritius **4)** Norway
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 282 'Fuleco' is/was official mascot of which of the following sports events?

1) 2014 FIFA World Cup **2)** 2014 Commonwealth Games
3) 2015 European Games **4)** 2014 Sochi Olympic
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 283 Which of the following real estate firms in India has become the country's first real estate developer to get ISO 9001:2008 quality certification for development of housing and commercial projects recently?

1) DLF **2)** Parsvnath
3) Indiabulls Real **4)** Omaxe
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 284 As announced by the concerned state govt, recently, which of the following cities has become the first 'kerosene-free city' in the country?

1) Mumbai **2)** Chennai
3) Bangalore **4)** Delhi
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 285 Name the Indian-origin physicist who has been accorded an honorary knighthood by Britain's Queen Elizabeth II for his achievements in science recently?

1) Abhas Mitra **2)** Madhu Sudan
3) Tejinder Virdee **4)** MGK Menon
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 286 A one stop crisis centre 'Gauravi' for women who are victims of violence has been set up for the first time in which of the following cities in India recently?

1) Lucknow **2)** Bhopal
3) Hyderabad **4)** Pune
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 287 Who among the following has won the Austrian Grand Prix Formula One championship recently?

1) Daniel Ricciardo **2)** Lewis Hamilton
3) Nico Hulkenberg **4)** Nico Rosberg
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 288 Which of the following pairs of countries and their aircraft carriers is NOT matched correctly?

1) India: INS Viraat **2)** China: Liaoning
3) Italy: Nimitz **4)** Russia: Kuznetsov
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 289 Which of the following Indians has/have won the 'Global Economy Prize' so far? Indian entrepreneur Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw has won this prize in 2014 recently.

1) Sunil Bharti Mittal
2) Baba N Kalyani
3) Amartya Sen
4) All the above
5) Only 2) and 3)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 290 The UNESCO announced to inscribe some sites as the World Heritage Sites recently. Which of the following site is NOT among them?

1) Rani-ki-Vav
2) Namhansaneong
3) Grand Canal
4) Great Himalayan National Park
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 291 Which of the following initiatives conceptualised by Indian govt to enable delivery of public services electronically has been awarded a United Nations public service award recently?

1) Mobile Seva
2) e-Govt
3) e-Post
4) IMPS
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 292 The Union Health Minister Harsh Vardhan left on a five-day visit in his first official tour abroad to which of the following countries recently?

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

Ques. : 293 The Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (TUFS) provides plan support for modernization of which of the following industries?

1) Textiles
2) Tourism
3) Telecommunication
4) Fishing
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 294 The RBI started issuing its credit policy bi-monthly on the recommendation of which of the following committees?

1) Shome Committee
2) Urjit Patel Committee
3) HR Khan Committee
4) KC Chakrabarty Committee
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 295 Which of the following banks in India organised 'The Banking and Economics Conclave 2014' for the first time in the country recently?

1) Bank of Baroda
2) NABARD
3) Punjab National Bank
4) State Bank of India
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 296 Recently commissioned aircraft carrier INS Vikramaditya was originally named as

1) Baku
2) Kremlin
3) Plan
4) Mahan
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 297 Recently unveiled 600 Megawatt Kholongchu Hydropower Project is located in which of the following countries?

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

Ques. : 298 Which of the following sportswomen is NOT associated with archery?

1) Dola Banerjee
2) Jayanta Talukdar
3) Bombayla Devi Laishram
4) Deepika Kumari
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 299 The Sardar Sarovar Dam is the second largest concrete gravity dam (by volume) in the world and is situated on the river

1) Narmada
2) Chenab
3) Sabarmati
4) Sutlej
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 300 Eminent folk singer Khagen Mahanta died recently. He was associated with which of the following languages?

1) Bengali
2) Assamese
3) Tamil
4) Kannada
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 301 According to a study on world insurance in 2013 by the Global re-insurer Swiss Re, India stood at _____position in the world in terms of premium volume.

1) 20th
2) 18th
3) 16th
4) 15th
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 302 Who among the following has been formally appointed the first chairman of the ICC after its 52-member council approved a controversial revamp of the body's administrative structure recently?

1) Shashank Manohar
2) Jagmohan Dalmiya
3) Sunil Gavaskar
4) N Srinivasan
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 303 According to the commerce ministry data, the trade deficit of India with China stood at _____ in 2012-13.

1) USD 40.78 billion
2) USD 39.40 billion
3) USD 27.95 billion
4) USD 21.65 billion
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 304 The Union Cabinet approved industrial parks to be set up in India by China recently. During the fifth India-China strategic dialogue in Aug 2013, both sides had identified five states to set up parks. Which of the following states in NOT among these five states?

1) Gujarat
2) Uttar Pradesh
3) Karnataka
4) Maharashtra
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 305 With lack of transmission infrastructure hurting electricity availability, the power ministry approved a _____ package for development of nine high capacity transmission projects recently.

1) Rs 10,000 cr
2) Rs 12,500 cr
3) Rs 14,000 cr
4) Rs 15,500 cr
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 306 The govt plans to impose an additional penalty of USD 578 million on which of the following companies for producing less-than-targeted natural gas from its eastern offshore KG-D6 block in 2013-14?

1) Reliance Industries
2) Gujarat State Petroleum Corporation
3) Essar Oil
4) Cairn India
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 307 The govt imposed a minimum export price (MEP) of _____on potatoes to augment domestic supply of the vegetable?

1) USD 300 per tonne
2) USD 350 per tonne
3) USD 400 per tonne
4) USD 450 per tonne
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 308 The govt has decided to rope in World Bank, IMF and USOTA for seeking assistance for the establishment of three out of the four task forces envisaged under the recommendation of the FSLRC. Which of the following is NOT among those to be set up?

1) Public Debt office
2) Financial Data Management Centre
3) Resolution Corporation
4) Financial Sector Appellate Tribunal
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 309 Which of the following state govts has decided to provide 16 per cent reservation to Marathas and five per cent to the Muslim communities in jobs and education recently?

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

Ques. : 310 The state govts have been given three months to implement the Food Security Act. The deadline for implementing the National Food Security Act was on _____.

1) Jul 1
2) Jul 4
3) Jul 14
4) Jul 31
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 311 The 35th National Games will be held in which of the following states from 31st of Jan to 14th Feb in 2015?

1) Karnataka
2) Kerala
3) West Bengal
4) Maharashtra
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 312 Vice President Hamid Ansari visited which of the following countries on a five-day official visit recently? He attended a trilateral summit to mark the 60th anniversary of the Panchsheel there.

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

Ques. : 313 Who among the following is the present Prime Minister of Nepal? He has been diagnosed with lung cancer recently.

1) Ram Baran Yadav
2) Sher Bahadur Deuba
3) Girija Prasad Koirala
4) Sushil Koirala
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 314 NASA had sent Curiosity rover to which of the following planets/moon? The rover is travelling through ancient glaciers on the planet/moon at present.

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

Ques. : 315 The Samajwadi Pension Scheme has been launched in which of the following states in India? It is being touted as the biggest social welfare scheme to be funded by any state govt solely out of its own resources.

1) West Bengal
2) Tamil Nadu
3) Uttar Pradesh
4) Madhya Pradesh
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 316 The International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking is observed on

1) Jun 18
2) Jun 20
3) Jun 21
4) Jun 23
5) Jun 26
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 317 Project 636 is the name of submarine programme of which of the following countries? A new submarine Rostov-na-Donu joined its navy under this programme recently.

1) France
2) Germany
3) Russia
4) Iran
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 318 The security forces in which of the following countries are dealing with rising attacks by the East Turkestan Islamic Movement (ETIM) now a days?

1) Iran
2) Indonesia
3) Malaysia
4) China
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 319 The Disaster Management Act, 2005 has been implemented by all the states and Union Territories except one state. Identify that state.

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

Ques. : 320 The term ITIR is associated with which of the following sectors?

1) Textiles
2) Information Technology
3) Tourism
4) Integrated Township

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

Ques. : 321 Who among the following won IBSF 6-Red World Snooker title in Egypt recently and created history by becoming the first player in the world to win world titles in the long and shorter formats of both billiards and snooker?

1) Kacper Flilpiak **2)** Pankaj Advani
3) Shaun Murphy **4)** Aditya Mehta
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 322 Which of the following Islamist groups has proclaimed establishment of Caliphate across areas under their control in Iraq and Syria recently?

1) ISIL **2)** al-Queda
3) Muslim Brotherhood **4)** Tehreek-e-Taliban
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 323 At least 15 people were killed and others injured in a fire following a blast in a gas pipeline belonging to GAIL in the East Godavari district of which of the following states recently?

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

Ques. : 324 Who among the following has won the Liberty Medal from the National Constitution Centre in Philadelphia recently?

1) Edward Snowden **2)** Christina Lamb
3) Aung San Suu Kyi **4)** Malala Yousafzai
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 325 The European Union signed a landmark pact with which of the following countries recently? The 1200-page Association Agreement defines the political and trade terms between the two sides.

1) Latvia **2)** Ukraine
3) Romania **4)** Lithuania
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 326 Who among the following has won the women's singles title of the Australian Super Series badminton tournament recently?

1) Nichaon Jindapon **2)** Kirsty Gilmour
3) Carolina Marin **4)** Saina Nehwal
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 327 China announced an award and scholarships to groups and individuals who have contributed to the promotion of Panchsheel. The five principles of Panchsheel are associated to which of the following?

1) Unipolar world **2)** Peaceful coexistence
3) Bipolar world **4)** Emergence of Asia
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 328 PSLV C23 lifted off from Sriharikota in Andhra Pradesh carrying five satellites of different countries including an Earth Observation Satellite SPOT-7. SPOT-7 belongs to

1) Germany **2)** Japan
3) France **4)** Canada
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 329 In economics, 'capitalism' refers to which of the following?

1) The use of markets **2)** Govt ownership of capital goods
3) Private ownership of capital goods **4)** Joint ownership of capital goods
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 330 The agricultural price support program is an example of which of the following?

1) A price ceiling **2)** A price floor
3) Equilibrium pricing **4)** Minimum price on which products can be exported
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 331 Which of the following countries has announced a one billion Euros credit line over the next three years to India to take initiates in the climate control area recently?

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

Ques. : 332 India and which of the following countries released the first encyclopedia on their age-old cultural contacts recently?

1) Japan
2) Bangladesh
3) China
4) Bhutan
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 333 During the recent visit of Indian Vice President Hamid Ansari to China, both the countries signed three key MoUs. Which of the following is NOT among them?

1) Setting up Chinese industrial parks in India
2) Flood data sharing of Brahmaputra river
3) Establishing a framework for regular interactions between administrative officials
4) No incursion across LAC
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 334 Who among the following is the present Vice President of China? His name was in news during the recent visit of Indian Vice President Hamid Ansari to China.

1) Li Yuanchao
2) Zhang Dejiang
3) Wang Yang
4) Wang Qishan
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 335 Google has announced to shut which of the following services by Sep this year recently?

1) YouTube
2) Google+
3) Orkut
4) Blogger
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 336 The 'Ease of Doing Business' report is compiled by which of the following organisations?

1) IMF
2) World Bank
3) UN
4) ADB
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 337 According to an Assocham report, which of the following states is emerging as a key manufacturing centre as the state accounted for one of the highest shares in some key product segments during 2004-12?

1) Jharkhand
2) Karnataka
3) Maharashtra
4) Gujarat
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 338 Who among the following is the chairman of the seven-member advisory panel set up by the Union Power Ministry for integrated development of sector recently?

1) Partha S Bhattacharyya
2) Suresh Prabhu
3) Anil Baijal
4) Pratyush Sinha
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 339 MK Narayanan resigned as the governor of which of the following states recently?

1) West Bengal
2) Odisha
3) Bihar
4) Gujarat
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 340 Who among the following has been elected as the new President of the European Union recently?

1) Alexander Stubb
2) Jean-Claude Juncker
3) Viktor Orban
4) Herman Van Rompuy
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 341 According to the latest data released by NSA whistleblower Edward Snowden, the US National Security Agency (NSA) received official permission to covertly spy upon which of the following political parties in India?

1) Indian National Congress (INS)
2) Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)
3) Samajwadi Party (SP)
4) All the above

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

Ques. : 342 The International Cricket Council (ICC) has backed the life ban imposed on batsman Lou Vincent who has confessed to match-fixing charges. He belongs to which of the following teams?

1) New Zealand **2)** Australia
3) England **4)** West Indies
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 343 Name the general insurer which has introduced an "insurance on wheels" concept for faster renewal of policies recently.

1) National Insurance Company **2)** ICICI Lombard
3) Bajaj Allianz **4)** Oriental Insurance Company
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 344 Vyapam recruitment scam has surfaced in which of the following states recently?

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

Ques. : 345 The European Court of Human Rights upheld the law of which of the following countries banning face-covering Muslim veils from the streets recently? The country had passed the law in 2010.

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

Ques. : 346 K Shanmugam, who visited India on an official visit, recently, is the present Minister for Foreign Affairs and Minister for Law of which of the following countries?

1) Mauritius **2)** Fiji
3) Trinidad and Tobago **4)** Singapore
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 347 Bor Wildlife Sanctuary will be the country's 47th Tiger Reserve as the Environment Minister Prakash Javadekar approved the proposal for the same recently. The wildlife sanctuary is located in which of the following states?

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

Ques. : 348 Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) is a forum for 21 Pacific Rim member economies that seeks to promote free trade and economic cooperation. Which of the following countries is NOT a member of APEC as of now?

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

Ques. : 349 In which of the following countries, Nicolas Sarkozy became the first former president to be taken into formal custody as he was detained for questioning in an influence-peddling probe recently?

1) Spain **2)** France
3) Norway **4)** Canada
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 350 The United States has named a mountain in Antarctia in honour of an eminent Indian-American scientist related to biological research recently. Name the scientist.

1) Ashok Gadgil **2)** EC George Sudarshan
3) Akhouri Sinha **4)** Narendra Karmarkar
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 351 Laurent Fabius, who visited New Delhi, recently, is the present foreign minister of which of the following countries?

1) Germany **2)** Singapore
3) France **4)** Spain
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 352 As per a recent UNESCO report, though India has managed to reduce the number of out-of-school children in the

past decade, yet more than _____ children were out of school in 2011.

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

Ques. : 353 The world's largest multination naval exercise, 24th Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) exercise, was conducted with 22 nations and six observer nations recently. Which of the following nations was NOT a participant in this year's exercise?

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

Ques. : 354 Internet giant Google announced its 'Android One' programme recently. This programme is aimed at which of the following?

1) Driver-less cars
2) Operating system for PCs
3) An e-commerce application
4) Low-cost devices
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 355 Which of the following airlines in India is all set to become the first Indian airline to officially join the Star Alliance, a global airline alliance?

1) SpiceJet
2) Air India
3) IndiGo
4) Jet Airways
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 356 In which of the following states, the govt has launched 'Amma Pharmacy' to sell medicines at a fair price recently?

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

Ques. : 357 The ban on the import of milk and milk products from which of the following countries has been extended for one more year till Jun 2015 recently?

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

Ques. : 358 Which of the following two PSUs have been conferred the coveted Navratna status, recently, which would give these firms more financial and operational autonomy?

1) Engineers India Limited (EIL)
2) National Buildings Construction Corporation (NBCC)
3) Antrix Corporation Limited
4) Only 1) and 2)
5) Only 1) and 3)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 359 An Indian-origin judge Justice VK Rajah has been appointed as the new attorney general of which of the following countries recently?

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

Ques. : 360 General Bikram Singh visited which of the following countries, recently? This is the first official visit by an Indian Army Chief to this country in nine years.

1) Myanmar
2) China
3) Japan
4) Brazil
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 361 Sheryl Sandberg, who visited India, recently, is the present Chief Operating Officer of which of the following social media firms?

1) Twitter
2) LinkedIn
3) Yahoo
4) Facebook
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 362 NASA launched first of its kind OCO-2 satellite, recently, which is dedicated to studying

1) atmospheric carbon dioxide
2) depletion of ozone layer

3) extent of pollution due to jet exhaust
4) presence of harmful bacteria in outer space
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 363 The Great Himalayan National Park Conservation Area has been approved for inscription on the UNESCO World Heritage list recently. It is located in

1) Kullu, Himachal Pradesh
2) Shimla, Himachal Pradesh
3) Samba, Jammu and Kashmir
4) Garhwal, Uttarakhand
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 364 Which of the following Indian cricketers has been honoured with exclusive gold coin worth 12,000 pound sterling issued by Britain's premium luxury goods brand East India Company?

1) Sunil Gavaskar
2) Kapil Dev
3) Sachin Tendulkar
4) Mahendra Singh Dhoni
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 365 Google's 'Project Loon,' which completed its one-year anniversary, recently, is associated with which of the following?

1) Bringing internet access through balloons
2) Transporting people to moon
3) Transporting people to mars
4) Real time mobile tracking system
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 366 The World Vitiligo Day is celebrated every year on which of the following dates?

1) Jun 20
2) Jun 21
3) Jun 23
4) Jun 25
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 367 Which of the following state govts has announced a 33 per cent reservation for women in state police force recently?

1) Tamil Nadu
2) Rajasthan
3) Gujarat
4) West Bengal
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 368 The first nuclear power plant in the world was commissioned in Obninsk city in which of the following countries? The plant completed sixty years recently.

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

Ques. : 369 France honoured which of the following Bollywood actors with 'Officier de la Legion d'Honneur (Officer of the Legion of Honour)', its highest distinction - civilian or military?

1) Amitabh Bachchan
2) Aamir Khan
3) Salman Khan
4) Shah Rukh Khan
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 370 Salar Jung Museum celebrated the 125th birth anniversary of the founder collector Salar Jung III recently. The museum that holds the coveted crown of being one of the largest one-man collections of the World, is located in

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

Ques. : 371 Which of the following countries has adopted a comprehensive anti-terror law recently, giving security forces unbridled powers, including shoot-at-sight suspects? It will remain in force for two years.

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

Ques. : 372 The govt has announced the introduction of four new vaccines as part of the Universal Immunization Programme (UIP). Which of the following is NOT one of them?

1) Rotavirus vaccine
2) Rubella vaccine
3) Polio (injectable) vaccine
4) An adult vaccine against Japanese encephalitis
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 373 The govt has re-appointed who among the following RBI Deputy Governors for a further period of two years with effect

from Jul 4 2014 recently?

1) HR Khan
2) R Gandhi
3) Anand Sinha
4) Urjit R Patel
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 374 The Indian veteran Leander Paes and his Czech partner Radek Stepanek lost their men's doubles semi-final in Wimbledon against which of the following pairs recently?

1) Michael Llodra and Nicolas Mahut
2) Vasek Pospisil and Jack Sock
3) Mike and Bob Bryan
4) Julien Benneteau and Edouard Roger-Vasselin
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 375 The Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 240-Megawatt Uri-II Hydro Electric Project (HEP) located in which of the following states recently?

1) Uttarakhand
2) Himachal Pradesh
3) Jammu & Kashmir
4) Gujarat
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 376 Vishal Sikka has become the highest paid professional CEO of an Indian company with Rs 30-cr pay package. He is the current CEO of

1) Wipro
2) Tata Consultancy Services (TCS)
3) Infosys
4) Tech Mahindra
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 377 Dadi Balsara, who died recently, was associated with which of the following leading packaged mineral water brands?

1) Himalayan
2) Kinley
3) Bisleri
4) Aquafina
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 378 Magnus Carlsen became the first man to hold the Chess Triple Crown by holding the World Blitz, Rapid, and Classic titles consecutively. Who among the following was the first chess player in the world to hold all three world titles in a row?

1) Susan Polgar
2) Antoaneta Stefanova
3) Alexandra Kosteniuk
4) Judit Polgar
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 379 The Govt accepted Mayaram panel report on definitions of FDI, FII recently. Now, a foreign investment of _____ or more in a listed company will be treated as FDI.

1) 10 per cent
2) 15 per cent
3) 20 per cent
4) 25 per cent
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 380 The World Refugee Day is observed across the globe on which of the following dates?

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

Ques. : 381 Who among the following has won the women's singles title of the Wimbledon tennis tournament recently?

1) Petra Kvitova
2) Eugenie Bouchard
3) Simona Halep
4) Svetlana Kuznetsova
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 382 With a stable and reform-oriented govt at the Centre, overseas investors have pumped in a staggering over _____into the Indian market in the first half of 2014.

1) USD 18 bn
2) USD 20 bn
3) USD 25 bn
4) USD 32 bn
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 383 Leading online retailer Flipkart merged which of the following online fashion retailers recently? The combined entity is eyeing 65 per cent market share in India in the online fashion segment.

1) Jabong
2) Myntra
3) Yep Me
4) Junglee

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

Ques. : 384 The World Public Service Day is observed across the globe on which of the following dates?

1) Jun 20 **2)** Jun 22
3) Jun 23 **4)** Jun 26
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 385 The autobiography of who among the following titled 'Substance and Shadow' was released recently?

1) Javed Akhtar **2)** Dilip Kumar
3) Madhuri Dixit **4)** Aamir Khan
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 386 Reuven Rivlin has been elected 10th President of which of the following countries recently?

1) Canada **2)** Israel
3) Spain **4)** Sweden
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 387 Which of the following space agencies has built world's first flying observatory fitted with an infrared telescope called "Stratospheric Observatory for Infrared Astronomy" (SOFIA)? This mobile observatory can stay airborne for over 12 hours.

1) DLR (Germany) **2)** CNES (France)
3) NASA (US) **4)** ISRO (India)
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 388 The National Dairy Research Institute (NDRI) succeeded in cloning another female buffalo calf named Lalima recently. NDRI is situated in which of the following cities?

1) Lucknow **2)** Ahmedabad
3) Karnal **4)** Hyderabad
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 389 Who among the following has topped the Forbes list of the world's 100 most powerful women released recently?

1) Dilma Rousseff **2)** Melinda Gates
3) Janet Yellen **4)** Angela Merkel
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 390 As per the recommendations of the Arvind Mayaram committee, an overseas investment equal to 10 per cent and above in a listed firm will be treated as FDI and the investments below 10 per cent will be treated as

1) Foreign Public Investment **2)** Foreign Qualified Investment
3) Foreign Preliminary Investment **4)** Foreign Portfolio Investment
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 391 Who among the following has won the men's singles title of the Wimbledon tennis tournament recently?

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

Ques. : 392 The panel headed by who among the following presented new formula to estimate poverty in India recently? As per the panel estimates three out of 10 in India are poor.

1) Suresh Tendulkar **2)** C Rangarajan
3) KC Chakrabarty **4)** Bimal Jalan
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 393 The RBI increased the cash reserve ratio (CRR) for non-scheduled urban co-operative banks (UCBs) to what per cent of their total demand and time liabilities recently? Effective Jul 12, the increase will bring them on par with scheduled primary (urban) co-operative Banks.

1) 3 per cent **2)** 4 per cent
3) 4.5 per cent **4)** 4.75 per cent
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 394 Which of the following banks has become the biggest employer in the private banking space with more than 72,000 employees in 2013-14?

1) ICICI
2) HDFC
3) Kotak Mahindra Bank
4) Axis Bank
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 395 Which of the following state govts has announced 12 per cent reservation in all state govt jobs and posts in public sector undertakings for candidates living below poverty line (BPL) recently?

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

Ques. : 396 Indian Navy's ambitious naval infrastructure project, Seabird in Karwar (Phase-II), has got environment clearance. One of the largest naval bases of India which will house warships including INS Vikramaditya, it is located in the state of

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

Ques. : 397 Name the Indian scientist who has been elected to UN entity, the Commission on the Limits of Continental Shelf (CLCS) recently?

1) Rasik Ravindra
2) Rajan Sivaramakrishnan
3) Jayant Narlikar
4) Anil Kakodkar
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 398 Five Indian women have featured in 2014 Forbes' 100 most powerful women in the world list. Who among the following is NOT among these five women?

1) Arundhati Bhattacharya
2) Chanda Kocchar
3) Padamshree Warrior
4) Sushma Swaraj
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 399 Who among the following has been conferred with the Baileys Women's Prize for Fiction for her novel 'A Girl is a Half-formed Thing' recently?

1) Eimear McBride
2) Donna Tartt
3) Eleanor Catton
4) Jhumpa Lahiri
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 400 The Day of the Seafarer is observed across the world on

1) 20 Jun
2) 23 Jun
3) 25 Jun
4) 26 Jun
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 401 The C Rangarajan panel presented new formula to estimate poverty in India recently. As per the panel who among the following have been defined as poor?

1) Anyone spending below Rs 47 per day in cities and Rs 32 in villages
2) Anyone spending below Rs 43 per day in cities and Rs 31 in villages
3) Anyone spending below Rs 36 per day in cities and Rs 29 in villages
4) Anyone spending below Rs 33 per day in cities and Rs 27 in villages
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 402 Three new judges assumed charge as Supreme Court judges recently taking its strength to 27. What is the sanctioned strength of judges in the apex court, including the Chief Justice?

1) 27
2) 29
3) 31
4) 33
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 403 The first bill of the new BJP govt, the National Institute of Design Bill 2013, was passed in the Rajya Sabha recently. Now, declared an institution of national importance, the National Institute of Design is situated at

1) Bhopal
2) Pune
3) Ahmedabad
4) Lucknow
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 404 As mentioned by the Union Railways Minister Sadananda Gowda in the recent Railway Budget, what is the operating surplus of the Indian Railways as of now?

1) 5 per cent
2) 6 per cent
3) 8 per cent
4) 11 per cent
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 405 India has now formally become the 19th permanent member of the UN renewable agency, the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA). This agency is based in

1) Doha
2) Manila
3) Kuala Lumpur
4) Abu Dhabi
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 406 As per the recent notification issued by the telecom sector regulator Trai, the minimum broadband speed has been raised from the earlier 256 kbps to

1) 512 kbps
2) 768 kbps
3) 1024 kbps
4) 1280 kbps
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 407 Who among the following has won the Afghanistan's presidential election as per the preliminary results released recently?

1) Abdul Qayum Karzai
2) Daud Sultanzoy
3) Abdullah Abdullah
4) Ashraf Ghani
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 408 What minimum pension has been approved by the govt under Employees Pension Scheme 1995 (EPS-95) run by the EPFO recently?

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

Ques. : 409 The 6th BRICS summit will be held in Brazil on 15-16 Jul. Which of the following countries is NOT a member of the BRICS group?

1) South Africa
2) China
3) Russia
4) Indonesia
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 410 Presenting his maiden Railways Budget, the Union Railways Minister Sadananda Gowda proposed to start Bullet train in which of the following sectors?

1) Delhi-Chandigarh
2) Mumbai-Ahmedabad
3) Jaynagar-Mumbai
4) Delhi-Agra
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 411 Brazil's dream of winning the World Cup on home soil was shattered when it suffered a humiliating 7-1 defeat to which of the following teams in the semifinals recently?

1) Argentina
2) Germany
3) Netherlands
4) France
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 412 As per the Economic Survey for 2013-14 tabled by Finance Minister Arun Jaitley in Parliament, the Indian economy is likely to grow in the range of _____in 2014-15.

1) 7 to 8 per cent
2) 6.5 to 5.9 per cent
3) 5.4 to 5.9 per cent
4) 4.7 to 4.5 per cent
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 413 As per the Economic Survey for 2013-14 tabled by Finance Minister Arun Jaitley in Parliament, which of the following PSUs emerged as the highest profit-making PSU of the country during 2012-13?

1) BHEL
2) NTPC
3) BSNL
4) ONGC
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 414 The Finance Minister stressed on the need of sharp fiscal correction and new FRBM Act with 'teeth' while presenting Economic Surtey for FY 2013-14 recently. What does FRBM stands for?

1) Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management
2) Fiscal Rationing and Budget Management
3) Fiscal Representation and Budget Management
4) Fiscal Reciprocity and Budget Management
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 415 Union Railway Minister Sadananda Gowda, in his maiden Railway Budget, has presented a slew of measures to improve the Railways' online services. Which of the following is NOT correct in this regard?

1) Online booking to support 7,200 tickets per minute
2) As much as 1.2 lakh users can log in simultaneously
3) Ticket-booking through mobile phones, post offices to be popularised
4) Online platform for unreserved tickets
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 416 The FIFA World Cup 2018 will be hosted by which of the following countries?

1) Russia
2) Germany
3) Italy
4) Argentina
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 417 Who of the following Finance Ministers of India has presented the Union Budget ten times, the most by any Finance Minister so far?

1) Morarji Desai
2) Manmohan Singh
3) Pranab Mukherjee
4) Yashwant Sinha
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 418 As per the recent Economic Survey, India has the second fastest growing services sector. Which of the following countries tops in this regard?

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

Ques. : 419 Who among the following presented the first Union budget of independent India on 26 Nov 1949?

1) Chidambaram Subramaniam
2) TT Krishnamachari
3) RK Shanmukham Chetty
4) John Mathai
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 420 As per the Economic Survey for 2013-14 tabled by Finance Minister Arun Jaitley in Parliament, The current account deficit (CAD) may be contained to around _____of GDP in the FY15.

1) 3.2 per cent
2) 2.8 per cent
3) 2.1 per cent
4) 1.6 per cent
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 421 In a relief to the depositors, the Finance Minister announced in the Union Budget for FY15 that the PPF (Public Provident Fund) deposit ceiling will be raised from the existing Rs 1 lakh to

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

Ques. : 422 The exemption limit on housing loans interest on self-occupied property has been increased from Rs 1.5 lakh to _____in the Union Budget for FY15.

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

Ques. : 423 The Union Budget for 2014-15 proposes to bring the basic customs duty down on certain items. Which of the following is correct in this regard?

1) Colour picture tubes exempted from basic customs duty to make cathode ray TVs cheaper and more affordable to weaker sections.
2) The basic customs duty on LCD and LED TVs below 19 inches reduced from 10 per cent to Nil.
3) The basic customs duty on mobile phones with screens below 3 inches reduced to Nil.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 424 What amount has been set aside in the Union Budget for FY15 to erect the Statue of Unity, the giant statue of Sardar Vallabh Patel in Gujarat?

1) Rs 100 cr
2) Rs 150 cr
3) Rs 200 cr
4) Rs 250 cr
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 425 In the Union Budget for 2014-15, a _____tax holiday has been extended to undertakings which begin generation, distribution and transmission of power by Mar 31, 2017.

1) 5-year
2) 10-year
3) 15-year
4) 20-year
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 426 Which of the following statements is/are correct with respect to the proposals made in the Union Budget for the financial year 2014-15 regarding taxation?

1) Investment limit under 80C raised from Rs 1 lakh to Rs 1.5 lakh.
2) Education cess for all tax payers including corporates will continue at 3 per cent.
3) Personal tax exemption limit raised to Rs 2.5 lakh from current Rs 2 lakh for taxpayers below 60 years.
4) Income tax exemption limit for senior citizens has been raised to Rs 3 lakh.
5) All the above
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 427 Which of the following figures is/are correct with respect to data provided in the proposed Union Budget presented in the Parliament for the financial year 2014-15 recently?

1) Plan expenditure – Rs 5,55,043 cr
2) Non-Plan expenditure – Rs 12,19,849 cr
3) Total expenditure – Rs 17,94,892 cr
4) All the above
5) Only 2) and 3
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 428 State APMC laws are hurdle to modernisation of good economy as per the Economic Survey for 2013-14 tabled by Finance Minister Arun Jaitley in Parliament. APMC stands for

1) Agricultural Produce Management Committee
2) Agricultural Produce Marketing Committee
3) Agricultural Produce Moderating Committee
4) Agricultural Produce Monitoring Committee
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 429 As per the Economic Survey for 2013-14, what is India's share in world services exports in 2013?

1) 0.6 pc
2) 1.1 pc
3) 2.2 pc
4) 3.3 pc
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 430 As per the Economic Survey for 2013-14 tabled by Finance Minister Arun Jaitley in Parliament, which of the following PSUs emerged as the highest loss-making PSU of the country during 2012-13?

1) BHEL
2) NTPC
3) BSNL
4) ONGC
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 431 Delhi is now the world's second most populous city with 25 million inhabitants. Which of the following cities is the most populous in the world as of now?

1) New York
2) Shanghai
3) Beijing
4) Tokyo
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 432 Which of the following Indian airlines formally joined the global airline group Star Alliance on 12 Jul? It has become the only Indian airline which is now member of the 27 airlines club operating in 192 countries.

1) Air India
2) Jet Airways
3) IndiGo
4) AirAsia India
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 433 The World Population Day is observed every year on

1) 8 Jul
2) 11 Jul
3) 12 Jul
4) 14 Jul
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 434 Grand old lady Zohra Sehgal died at the age of 102 years recently. A Padma Shri and Padma Vibhshan awardee, she was a noted

1) novelist
2) singer
3) actress
4) industrialist
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 435 Which of the following is NOT a new scheme announced in the Union Budget for 2014-15 recently?

1) Namami Ganga
2) Atal Jyoti Yojana
3) Shyama Prassad Mukherjee Rozgar mission
4) Deendayal Upadhyay Gram Jyoti Yojna
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 436 The Union Budget for 2014-15 proposes to develop 100 new cities and a fund of _____has been set aside for the purpose.

1) Rs 5,080 cr
2) Rs 6,550 cr
3) Rs 7,060 cr
4) Rs 8,020 cr
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 437 The Union Budget for 2014-15 proposes REITS for infrastructure projects to reduce pressure on banking system. REITS stands for

1) Real Estate Investment Trusts
2) Real Estate Innovation Trusts
3) Real Estate Infrastructure Trusts
4) Real Estate Industrial Trusts
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 438 Which of the following is correct with respect to proposals in the Union Budget for FY15 regarding women?

1) Women SHGs bank loan scheme to be extended to other districts.
2) Rs 1500 cr on new scheme to improve safety of women in big cities.
3) 'Beti bacahao, beti padahao' scheme to be launched with Rs 100 cr allocation.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 3)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 439 What is the budget allocation for the rural housing scheme in the Union Budget for FY15?

1) Rs 6000 cr
2) Rs 8000 cr
3) Rs 10000 cr
4) Rs 12000 cr
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 440 As proposed in the Union Budget for FY15, the Centre would restructure BRGF, currently implemented in 272 backward districts in 27 States. What is the expanded form of BRGF?

1) Backward Regions Grant Facility
2) Backward Regions Ground Facility
3) Backward Regions Grant Fund
4) Backward Regions Green Fund
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 441 Which of the following teams won the FIFA World Cup 2014 held in Brazil recently?

1) Argentina
2) Holland
3) Germany
4) Brazil
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 442 Which of the following state assemblies passed a bill to set up a new separate committee (SGPC) for the management of Gurudwaras in the state recently?

1) Rajasthan
2) Haryana
3) Gujarat
4) Uttar Pradesh
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 443 The MP Bezbaruah committee submitted its report to the govt recently. This Committee was set up to look into which of the following matters related to North Eastern (NE) region?

1) Availability of medical facilities in the NE region.
2) Concerns of people from the NE region living in different parts of the country
3) Feasibility to link all the seven NE states through railways.
4) Measures to increase employment opportunities in the NE region
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 444 Which of the following is NOT correct with respect to the proposals made in the Union Budget for the FY15?

1) Rs 5000 cr for rehabilitation of displaced Kashmiri migrants

2) Allocation of Rs 500 cr for rural electrification

3) Sanitation in every household by 2019

4) New scheme for skill development called 'Skill India' to be launched

5) None of these

Ans.) 1

Ques. : 445 The MSME Ministry launched a job portal recently. Which is of the following statements is/are correct with respect to this new initiative?

1) The portal – www.niesbudnaukri.com – provides a common platform to both the trained persons and the prospective employers.

2) The portal is developed by the National Institute for Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development (NIESBUD).

3) It is armed with the facility of free-of-cost online registration for employment in more than 150 job categories.

4) Only 1) and 2)

5) All 1), 2) and 3)

Ans.) 5

Ques. : 446 Presenting the Budget 2014-15 proposals in Parliament, the Union Finance Minister has announced to set up a _____ venture capital fund for the MSME sector.

1) Rs 5,000-cr

2) Rs 10,000-cr

3) Rs 15,000-cr

4) Rs 20,000-cr

5) None of these

Ans.) 2

Ques. : 447 Examine the following with respect to the proposals of the Union Budget for FY15 and identify the one which is NOT correct?

1) New Watershed programme with outlay of Rs 2000 cr

2) New teachers training scheme to be launched with the allocation of Rs 500 cr

3) Rs 3600 cr for national rural drinking water programme

4) National Centre of Humanities would be set up in Uttar Pradesh

5) None of these

Ans.) 4

Ques. : 448 The first indigenously built anti-submarine warship (ASW) was handed over to the Indian Navy in Kolkata recently. It is first in its class of four ASW corvettes being built under Project-28 for the Navy and is named

1) INS Kolkata

2) INS Maysore

3) INS Kamorta

4) INS Tarkash

5) None of these

Ans.) 3

Ques. : 449 Which of the following is NOT correct with respect to the proposals made in the Union Railway budget for the FY15 recently?

1) FDI in railway projects including operations

2) CCTVs to be used at stations for monitoring cleanliness

3) Battery operated cars for differently-abled and senior citizens at major stations

4) Women RPF Constables to escort ladies coaches; 4,000 women constables to be inducted

5) None of these

Ans.) 1

Ques. : 450 As proposed in the Union Budget for FY15, four more AIIMS will be set up in the country with current allocation of Rs 500 cr. Which of the following are the states/regions where these institutes will come up?

1) West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh, Purvanchal and Vidharbha

2) Arunachal Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Vidharbha

3) Sikkim, Andhra Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh and Vidharbha

4) Uttar Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Vidharbha

5) None of these

Ans.) 1

Ques. : 451 Which of the following countries has emerged as the world's largest consumer of antibiotics according to a new study 'Global Trends in Antibiotic Consumption, 2000-2010' released recently?

1) India

2) US

3) China

4) Russia

5) None of these

Ans.) 1

Ques. : 452 Pakistan has declared the ancestral home of which of the following Indian personalities situated in the country as a national heritage recently?

1) Lal Krishna Advani

2) Dilip Kumar

3) Yash Chopra
4) Shekhar Kapur
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 453 Which of the following teams secured the third place in the recently concluded FIFA World Cup held in Brazil?

1) Netherlands
2) Brazil
3) Argentina
4) France
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 454 We read about a term DONER in newspapers. This term is related to which of the following?

1) It is a textile brand.
2) It is a NGO active in the North Eastern region.
3) It is the group of nuclear supplier countries.
4) It is a Union Ministry for the North Eastern region.
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 455 The govt has proposed an integrated programme for the conservation of river Ganga with an outlay of over _____in the Union Budget for FY15. The Conservation Mission will be called 'Namami Gange'.

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

Ques. : 456 The Law Commission of India has submitted its report 'Manpower Planning in Judiciary' to guide the Govt in overcoming the shortage of judges in the judiciary. Who among the following is the current chairman of the Law Commission?

1) Justice Palanisamy Sathasivam
2) Justice KG Balakrishnan
3) Justice Mukul Mudgal
4) Justice Ajit Prakash Shah
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 457 The "India State of Forest Report (ISFR) 2013" shows that there is an increase of 5871 sq km in the forest cover of the country compared to the previous report. The ISFR is released at what intervals?

1) Annually
2) Biennially
3) After every three years
4) After every five years
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 458 India launched the indigenously built ship 'Sindhu Sadhna' recently. Fitted with latest world-class equipments, this is a

1) research ship
2) fast attack ship
3) nuclear powered patrol ship
4) naval training ship
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 459 The govt has allocated what amount for the Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) to create over 27 lakh jobs in the 12th Plan period ending Mar 2017?

1) Rs 4,000 cr
2) Rs 6,080 cr
3) Rs 8,060 cr
4) Rs 10,040 cr
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 460 The govt announced appointment of new governors for various states recently. Which of the following pairs is NOT matched correctly in this regard?

1) Ram Naik – Uttar Pradesh
2) OP Kohli – Gujarat
3) Keshari Nath Tripathi – West Bengal
4) Padmanabha Acharya –Nagaland
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 461 As ruled by the World Trade Organization dispute settlement panel, recently, which of the following countries has broken global trade rules by slapping import duties on Indian steel products?

1) China
2) Bangladesh
3) US
4) Brazil
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 462 The govt has slapped an additional penalty of USD 579 mn on which of the following oil companies for producing less than targeted natural gas from its KG-D6 block?

1) Essar Oil
2) Reliance Industries
3) Gujarat State Petroleum Corporation
4) Cairn India

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

Ques. : 463 The President Pranab Mukherjee presented the Gandhi Peace prize for 2013 to who among the following recently?

1) Ela Bhatt **2)** Govind Mishra
3) Shekhar Pathak **4)** Chandi Prasad Bhatt
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 464 The long-awaited BRICS Bank will be headquartered in which of the following cities?

1) Fortaleza, Brazil **2)** Shanghai, China
3) New Delhi, India **4)** Johannesburg, South Africa
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 465 The TRAI (Amendment) Bill has been cleared by both the houses of the Parliament. Why was this amendment Bill brought by the govt?

1) The existing law allows a former TRAI Chairman to take up private job two years after retirement. **2)** The existing law bars a former TRAI Chairman from taking up a govt job ever in life.
3) It was required to bring the telecom regulator on par with international regulators. **4)** It was required to deal with the 2G scam effectively.
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 466 The Permanent Court of Arbitration at the Hague has announced it verdict that 19,467 sq km out of the total 25,602 sq km disputed area with India in the Bay of Bengal will be handed over to

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

Ques. : 467 Brazil hosted the sixth BRICS summit recently. The group was originally formed as BRIC and became BRICS with the inclusion of South Africa in _____.

1) 2008 **2)** 2009
3) 2010 **4)** 2011
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 468 The BRICS group is playing an increasingly important role in the world economy. Examine the following facts about the group and choose the statement which is NOT correct.

1) At Goldman Sachs, Jim O' Neil first coined the term BRIC in 2001. **2)** The theme of the sixth BRICS summit was 'Inclusive Growth; Sustainable Development'.
3) The Sixth BRICS Summit was held in Fortaleza and Brasilia in Brazil on 15-16 Jul 2014. **4)** BRICS make up 40 per cent of the world's population and 25 per cent of the world's landmass.
5) None of these **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 469 World Population Day is observed on 11 Jul annually. Which of the following facts is NOT correct in the context of the present global population?

1) As of 1 Jan 2014, the world's population was estimated to be 9,137,661,030. **2)** Vatican City and Nauru are the states with the lowest populations.
3) China, India, USA, Indonesia, Pakistan and Brazil account for half the world's people. **4)** Every seventh person in the world is an Indian.
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 470 Examine the following facts with respect to the Railway Budget for FY15 and identify the only incorrect statement.

1) Railways university for technical and non-technical subjects **2)** Loss per passenger per KM up from 10 per cent in 2000-01 to 33 per cent in 2012-13
3) Highest ever plan outlay of Rs 65,455 cr for 2014-15 **4)** Expenditure in 2014-15 pegged at Rs 149,176 cr.
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 471 Who won the Golden Ball award at the FIFA World Cup held in Brazil recently?

1) Arjen Robben **2)** James Rodriguez
3) Thomas Muller **4)** Lionel Messi
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 472 What will be the initial authorised capital of the proposed BRICS bank?

1) USD 100 bn
2) USD 200 bn
3) USD 300 bn
4) USD 500 bn
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 473 The first chair of the Board of Governors of the proposed BRICS bank will be from which of the following countries?

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

Ques. : 474 Who among the following has been appointed the Chairman of the Indian Council of Historical Research (ICHR) recently?

1) Y Sudarshan Rao
2) Ramachandra Guha
3) Udai Prakash Arora
4) Ram Narayan Rawat
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 475 As per the recently released UN Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) report 2014, what portion of the world's 1.2 billion extremely poor population is residing in India at present?

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

Ques. : 476 What is India's ranking in the recently released 'Ease of Doing Business' report by the World Bank?

1) 134
2) 131
3) 112
4) 89
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 477 Which of the following member countries will hold the presidency of the proposed BRICS bank initially for 6 years?

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

Ques. : 478 Following the meeting of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the Brazilian President Dilma Rousseff, the two countries signed three agreements. Which of the following is NOT among them?

1) MoU on cooperation in the field of environment
2) Implementing arrangement establishing cooperation in augmentation of a Brazilian earth station for receiving and processing data from Indian Remote Sensing (IRS) Satellites
3) MoU on cooperation in the field of mobility and consular issues
4) MoU on establishing a branch of Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) in Fortaleza
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 479 Which of the following pairs won the men's doubles title of the Wimbledon tennis tournament recently?

1) Alex Bolt and Andrew Whittington
2) Vasek Pospisil and Jack Sock
3) Marcelo Demoliner and Purav Raja
4) Bob and Mike Bryan
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 480 Which of the following countries will host the seventh BRICS summit in 2015?

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

Ques. : 481 What amount has been allocated for the Defence Ministry in the Budget for the FY15? There has been an increase of around 12.5 per cent from the last fiscal.

1) Rs 3.20 lakh cr
2) Rs 2.82 lakh cr
3) Rs 2.29 lakh cr
4) Rs 2.03 lakh cr
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 482 The Reserve Bank of India has notified that home loans up to _____in metros and _____in non-metros, given

by banks from the proceeds of long-term bonds (of minimum 7 yrs maturity), will qualify as affordable housing loans.

1) Rs 45 lakh, Rs 35 lakh
2) Rs 50 lakh, Rs 40 lakh
3) Rs 55 lakh, Rs 45 lakh
4) Rs 60 lakh, Rs 50 lakh
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 483 The market regulator, SEBI, asked Satyam Computers founder B Ramalinga Raju and others to return their unlawful gains of Rs 1,849 cr along with an interest of Rs 1,200 cr and barred them from accessing the capital market for _____, recently.

1) 10 years
2) 14 years
3) 20 years
4) life time
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 484 The 2015 BRICS Summit will be held in Russia in which of the following cities?

1) Sochi
2) Saint-Petersburg
3) Ufa
4) Moscow
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 485 Typhoon Rammasun hit which of the following countries, recently, which paralysed the normal life and has claimed at least 38 lives so far?

1) Philippines
2) Singapore
3) Colombia
4) Chile
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 486 Who won the Golden Boot at the FIFA World Cup held in Brazil recently?

1) Arjen Robben
2) James Rodriguez
3) Thomas Muller
4) Lionel Messi
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 487 Who among the following is the goodwill ambassador of the 35th National Games to be held in seven cities in Kerala in 2015?

1) Saina Nehwal
2) Sachin Tendulkar
3) Leander Paes
4) Sania Mirza
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 488 Who among the following has authored the book titled 'Strangers Across the Border: Indian Encounters In Boomtown China'?

1) Reshma Patil
2) Saba Imtiaz
3) Carlotta Gall
4) Prashant Jha
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 489 Lt General Ajay Kumar Singh has been sworn in as Lt Governor of which of the following Union Territories?

1) Puducherry
2) Chandigarh
3) Andaman & Nicobar
4) Lakshadweep
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 490 The Indian women's cricket team led by Mithali Raj is all set to play a four-day 'Test' match with which of the following teams after a gap of eight long years?

1) New Zealand
2) Australia
3) England
4) West Indies
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 491 Which of the following has become the first country to legalise child labour recently? Now, children as young as ten years old are allowed to work.

1) Bolivia
2) Cambodia
3) Nigeria
4) Kenya
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 492 Nagoya Protocol will come into force from October this year. This international agreement is related to which of the following issues?

1) Access to civilian nuclear technology for all
2) Easy access for poor countries to patented life saving drugs

3) Access and benefit sharing of genetic resources
4) Global resource sharing for the wellbeing of handicapped people
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 493 The naval exercise INDRA 2014 was conducted between India and which of the following countries recently?

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

Ques. : 494 The Finance Minister cleared the way for the Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) in his budget speech recently. Which of the following is correct with respect to REITs?

1) These are vehicles that hold and manage large commercial rent-earning properties on behalf of investors.
2) The REITs manager should have a net worth Rs 5 cr and the sponsor Rs 20 cr.
3) A REIT can hold multiple properties and can go for a public offering if properties are worth more than Rs 1,000 cr.
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 495 What is India's ranking in the annual Global Innovation Index (GII) survey for 2014?

1) 53rd
2) 61st
3) 66th
4) 76th
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 496 A passenger plane of which of the following countries was allegedly shot down in eastern Ukraine recently killing all 295 people aboard?

1) Malaysia
2) Indonesia
3) Israel
4) Iran
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 497 The Signature Bridge is being constructed across river Yamuna in which of the following cities in India?

1) Agra
2) Delhi
3) Mathura
4) Allahabad
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 498 Renowned scholar Granville Austin died recently. Awarded a Padma Shri, he was a scholar of Indian

1) Constitution
2) History
3) Geography
4) Philosophy
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 499 The military operation 'Operation Protective Edge' is being conducted by

1) Israel against Hamas in Palestine
2) US against Syrian regime
3) Ukraine govt against pro-Russian rebels
4) US against ISIS militants in Iraq
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 500 Which of the following states in India has the highest percentage of poor (47.9 per cent) in the country as per C Rangarajan panel report?

1) Madhya Pradesh
2) Odisha
3) Chhattisgarh
4) Manipur
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 501 The World Bank president is all set to visit New Delh on a three-day visit to meet PM Narendra Modi and Finance Minister Arun Jaitley. Who among the following is the current President of the World Bank group?

1) Robert Zoellick
2) Paul Farmer
3) Jim Yong Kim
4) Christine Lagarde
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 502 As per the 'Employment Exchange Statistics 2013', which is of the following states tops in terms of providing jobs through employment exchanges?

1) Maharashtra
2) Kerala

3) Gujarat
4) West Bengal
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 503 Germany has topped the recently released FIFA world rankings. What is India's position in the ranking?

1) 144th
2) 151th
3) 154th
4) 158th
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 504 The annual naval engagement Malabar exercise is to be conducted soon. This exercise will be a trilateral engagement and will be participated by

1) India, Japan, Vietnam
2) India, South Korea, Japan
3) India, US, Japan
4) India, South Korea, US
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 505 Who won the 2014 German Grand Prix recently?

1) Felipe Massa
2) Valtteri Bottas
3) Lewis Hamilton
4) Nico Rosberg
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 506 Internet giant Google revealed that it would be launching 'Project Zero' programme soon. This project is aimed at

1) finding software bugs online
2) running advertisement of new startups for free
3) eliminating rivals from search engine platform
4) inviting volunteers to work with Google
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 507 Which of the following is the most urbansied state of the country with 62.17% as urban population?

1) Kerala
2) Tamil Nadu
3) Goa
4) Mizoram
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 508 As per the C Rangarajan panel report, which of the following states in India is the most prosperous state as it has least proportion (6.3 per cent) of poor population?

1) Goa
2) Tamil Nadu
3) Kerala
4) Sikkim
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 509 Which of the following countries has topped the Global Innovation Index (GII) 2014? The GII is jointly published by Cornell University, INSEAD, and the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) for 143 economies around the world.

1) Finland
2) Switzerland
3) Sweden
4) United Kingdom
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 510 India hosted the Conference of Parties (CoP-11) to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) in Hyderabad in Oct 2012, and the next CoP is to be held in _____in Oct this year.

1) Pyeongchang, South Korea
2) Buenos Aires, Argentina
3) Tokyo, Japan
4) Brasilia, Brazil
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 511 The Central govt has allocated what amount for ultra large solar power projects and solar parks in the Union Budget for FY15?

1) Rs 1000 cr
2) Rs 2000 cr
3) Rs 5000 cr
4) Rs 10000 cr
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 512 Which of the following countries removed restrictions on foreign ownership of banks in the country recently under a new law that allows 100 per cent foreign control?

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

Ques. : 513 A ultra mega solar power project is to be set up in Sambhar, Rajasthan for which a MoU has been signed recently.

What will be the cumulative capacity of the plant which will be achieved in phases?

1) 1000 MW
2) 2000 MW
3) 3000 MW
4) 4000 MW
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 514 The authorities in Switzerland have revealed that the quantum of fake Indian rupee notes in their country is the third highest for any foreign currency. Which of the following currencies tops in this regard?

1) Chinese yuan
2) US dollar
3) Euro
4) Canadian dollar
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 515 India will soon sign bilateral APAs with a clutch of Japanese companies for the first time. APA stands for

1) Advance-Pricing Agreement
2) Advance-Policy Agreement
3) Advance-Priority Agreement
4) Advance-Pricing Assessment
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 516 The Finance Minister has confided that the revenue collection is expected to exceed targets this fiscal. What is the budget estimate for the revenue collection during 2014-15?

1) Rs 11.58 lakh cr
2) Rs 12.35 lakh cr
3) Rs 13.64 lakh cr
4) Rs 14.44 lakh cr
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 517 Legendary actor James Garner died recently. Best known for playing a detective in crime series 'Rockford Files,' he belonged to

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

Ques. : 518 Who among the following is the president of the Eleventh Conference of Parties (CoP-11) to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)?

1) Nobuteru Ishihara
2) Prakash Javadekar
3) Ahmed Yusuf Nuristani
4) Yoon Seong-kyu
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 519 Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) has unveiled automatic info exchange framework to curb black money internationally. The headquarters of OECD is situated in

1) London
2) Frankfurt
3) Rome
4) Paris
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 520 As per the C Rangarajan panel report, which of the following states in India has the highest incidence of urban poverty (50.8 per cent) in the country?

1) Bihar
2) Uttar Pradesh
3) Jharkhand
4) Madhya Pradesh
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 521 The Finance Minister Arun Jaitley has expressed confidence that direct tax collection would exceed budget target of _____in the current financial year.

1) Rs 8.11 lakh cr
2) Rs 7.86 lakh cr
3) Rs 7.36 lakh cr
4) Rs 7.13 lakh cr
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 522 2014 Commonwealth Games begun in Glasgow in which of the following countries recently?

1) New Zealand
2) Scotland
3) Holland
4) Poland
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 523 The current installed power generation capacity of the country is about _____.

1) 2,25,000 MW
2) 2,50,000 MW
3) 2,70,000 MW
4) 2,95,000 MW
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 524 The 95th Garo Labour Corps Day was observed on 16 Jul in which of the following states saluting heroes of WW-I?

1) Assam
2) Meghalaya
3) Mizoram
4) Arunachal Pradesh
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 525 In a major relief to citizens, the govt has decided to promote self-attestation of domcument. Earlier, it was necessary to get documents attested by _____for govt-related work.

1) a notary
2) a gazetted officer
3) any govt employee
4) Any one of the above
5) Either 1) or 2)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 526 The RBI has exempted long-term bonds (at least 7 yrs) from the mandatory regulatory norms such as the CRR, SLR and PSL if the money raised is used for

1) long-term projects in infrastructure sub-sectors
2) affordable housing
3) agricultural loans
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 527 Indian corporate sector has to migrate to IFRS from the home-grown Indian Accounting Standards by the financial year 2016-17. IFRS stands for

1) International Forward Reporting Standards
2) International Fair Reporting Standards
3) International Fast Reporting Standards
4) International Financial Reporting Standards
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 528 The govt asked UN Military Observer Group to vacate rent-free office in Delhi recently. This UN body has been overseeing India's military activity _____for last 40 years.

1) against Maoist insurgents
2) in Jammu & Kashmir
3) in Arabian Sea
4) in Bay of Bengal
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 529 The Nobel Prize and Booker Prize awardee and one of the literary world's most powerful voices against apartheid, Nadine Gordimer, died recently. She belonged to

1) Nigeria
2) South Africa
3) Cambodia
4) Azerbaijan
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 530 Sim Bhullar is associated with which of the following games? He is the first player of Indian origin to be drafted into the national team of the game in the US.

1) Rugby
2) Basketball
3) Football
4) Tennis
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 531 At present, India does not enjoy trade surplus with which of the following SAARC countries?

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

Ques. : 532 The External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj went on a three-day official visit to which of the following countries recently? She attended the two nation's Joint Commission Meeting which took place after a gap of 23 years.

1) Bangladesh
2) Sri Lanka
3) Nepal
4) Bhutan
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 533 Nick Clegg, who is scheduled to visit India in Aug, is the current Deputy Prime Minister of which of the following countries?

1) US
2) UK
3) Canada
4) Italy
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 534 A plane making a landing attempt in stormy weather crashed at an airport in which of the following countries recently killing 51 people and injuring seven other? The country was battered by Typhoon Matmo causing heavy rain there.

1) Taiwan **2)** South Korea
3) Indonesia **4)** Iran
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 535 The 7th IBSA (India-Brazil-South Africa) Summit in 2015 will be hosted by which of the following cities?

1) Brasilia **2)** Fortaleza
3) New Delhi **4)** Copenhagen
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 536 The RBI issued draft norms for small banks recently. Such banks can be set up with a minimum capital of _____.

1) Rs 50 cr **2)** Rs 100 cr
3) Rs 200 cr **4)** Rs 500 cr
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 537 The B20 Australia Summit was held in which of the following cities on 18 Jul? It is a forum through which the private sector produces policy recommendations for the annual meeting of the Group of 20 (G20) leaders.

1) Melbourne **2)** Sydney
3) Brisbane **4)** Perth
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 538 Philipp Lahm, who retired from international football, recently, was erstwhile captain of which of the following teams?

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

Ques. : 539 The CBDT has constituted a six-member committee to recommend steps to reduce litigations. What is full form of CBDT?

1) Central Bureau of Direct Taxes **2)** Central Bureau of Distinct Taxes
3) Central Board of Distinct Taxes **4)** Central Board of Direct Taxes
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 540 The book titled 'The Gypsy Goddess' has been authored by who among the following?

1) Mahesh Rao **2)** Meena Kandasamy
3) Sipra Das **4)** Reshma Patil
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 541 Which of the following is a banking/finance related term?

1) Amortisation **2)** Constellation
3) Amphibious **4)** Abacus
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 542 The book titled 'A Tale of Two Drops' has been authored by who among the following?

1) APJ Abdul Kalam **2)** Arundhati Roy
3) Gulam Nabi Azad **4)** Harsh Vardhan
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 543 Which of the following companies has become the most valued company by market capitalisation in India?

1) Tata Consultancy Services **2)** Infosys
3) Wipro **4)** Reliance Industries
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 544 The govt approved sale of what quantity of wheat from FCI stock in the open market in order to boost domestic supply and check prices? The reserve price has been fixed at Rs 1,500 per quintal plus other charges.

1) 5 mn tonne **2)** 8 mn tonne
3) 10 mn tonne **4)** 12 mn tonne
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 545 What is India's position in Human Development Index 2014 released recently?

1) 131 **2)** 133

3) 135 **4)** 138
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 546 What is govt's disinvestment target for the current financial year?

1) Rs 25,500 cr **2)** Rs 35,625 cr
3) Rs 36,925 cr **4)** Rs 58,425 cr
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 547 Who among the following has been appointed the ambassador of the newly created state Telangana recently?

1) R Ashwin **2)** Sania Mirza
3) Jwala Gutta **4)** Leander Paes
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 548 The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has raised the foreign institutional investors' (FIIs') sub-limit in govt bonds recently. What is the overall limit for FII investment in govt bonds?

1) USD 20 bn **2)** USD 25 bn
3) USD 30 bn **4)** USD 35 bn
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 549 Who among the following has been appointed a United Nations Goodwill Ambassador by UN Women recently?

1) Madhuri Dixit **2)** Aishwarya Rai Bachchan
3) Sandra Bullock **4)** Emma Watson
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 550 Which of the following countries holds the chairmanship of the G-20 group at present?

1) India **2)** China
3) Australia **4)** Brazil
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 551 India is on course to complete the world's highest railway bridge in Jammu & Kashmir by 2016. The bridge is being built over _____river.

1) Chenab **2)** Jhelum
3) Indus **4)** Ravi
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 552 The central govt has notified rules under the Lokpal Act recently. The Lokpal and Lokayuktas Act provides for the establishment of a Lokpal for the Union and _____for the states.

1) Lokayuktas **2)** Loksewaka
3) Lok Prahari **4)** Lok Pradhan
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 553 The Cabinet cleared the Securities Laws (Amendment) Bill recently to empower the market regulator Sebi to deal with which of the following?

1) Ponzi schemes **2)** Microfinance institutions
3) Pension funds **4)** Urban Cooperative Banks
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 554 Which of the following is the most valued IT services company in the world as of now?

1) Infosys **2)** Accenture
3) IBM **4)** TCS
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 555 Who among the following has been elected as the new President of Iraq recently?

1) Jalal Talabani **2)** Mohammed Fuad Masoum
3) Ayad Allawi **4)** Nouri al-Maliki
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 556 The Govt has approved the sale of its residual stakes in which of the following PSUs recently?

1) BALCO **2)** Hindustan Zinc
3) BPCL **4)** All the above

5) Both 1) and 2) **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 557 Nelson Mandela International Day is observed every year on

1) 2 Jul **2)** 8 Jul
3) 11 Jul **4)** 18 Jul
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 558 Arseniy Yatsenyuk announced his resignation as the Prime Minister of which of the following countries recently?

1) Canada **2)** Italy
3) Sweden **4)** Ukraine
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 559 Sukhen Dey and K Sanjita Chanu won gold medals in the 20th Commonwealth Games in Glasgow, Scotland recently in which of the following games?

1) Weightlifting **2)** Archery
3) Discus throw **4)** Wrestling
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 560 What is the minimum capital requirement for setting up a normal commercial bank as per the RBI guidelines?

1) Rs 100 cr **2)** Rs 200 cr
3) Rs 400 cr **4)** Rs 500 cr
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 561 Who among the following won the Hungarian Grand Prix 2014 recently?

1) Fernando Alonso **2)** Lewis Hamilton
3) Nico Rosberg **4)** Daniel Ricciardo
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 562 The Govt has revised investment target for Dedicated Freight Corridor (DFC) from Rs 27,000 cr to

1) Rs 60,000 cr **2)** Rs 80,000 cr
3) Rs 100,000 cr **4)** Rs 120,000 cr
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 563 The Exim Bank has requested the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to increase its leverage ratio. Currently, the RBI allows the Exim Bank to leverage only _____of its net-owned funds.

1) 10 times **2)** 15 times
3) 25 times **4)** 50 times
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 564 Sam Kutesa, who visited New Delhi recently, is the current Foreign Affairs Minister of which of the following countries?

1) Rwanda **2)** Lebanon
3) Uganda **4)** Vietnam
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 565 India refused to ratify the WTO promoted TFA pact without resolving food security issue at Geneva recently. What does TFA stands for?

1) Trade Facility Agreement **2)** Trade Facilitation Agreement
3) Trade Fostering Agreement **4)** Trade Favour Agreement
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 566 The Prime Minister Narendra Modi will visit which of the following countries on a two-day official visit from 3rd Aug? It will be the first visit by an Indian Premier in over 17 years as the late Prime Minister I K Gujral had visited the country in 1997.

1) Bangladesh **2)** Sri Lanka
3) Nepal **4)** Afghanistan
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 567 Which of the following companies has announced to acquire all the three hydroelectric power plants of Jaiprakash Associates Ltd?

1) Tata Power **2)** Reliance Power
3) Essar Power **4)** Adani Power

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

Ques. : 568 The Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched a website that aims to help citizens contribute in governance by giving their opinions and views on important issues. Name the website.

1) MyIndia **2)** MyYuva
3) MySarkar **4)** MyGov
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 569 Which of the following is the only country in the BRICS grouping that has avoided the recent growth downgrade by International Monetary Fund (IMF)? Its economic expansion forecast at 5.4 per cent for the current fiscal has been retained by the IMF.

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

Ques. : 570 Apurvi Chandela and Rahi Sanorbat clinched a gold medal each in which of the following games for India at the 20th Commonwealth Games?

1) Weightlifting **2)** Archery
3) Shooting **4)** Wrestling
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 571 The World Hepatitis Day is observed on which of the following dates?

1) 22 Jul **2)** 26 Jul
3) 28 Jul **4)** 29 Jul
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 572 The Law Commission Chairperson AP Shah has recommended three changes to Union Law Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad Law in his report submitted recently. Which of the following is NOT among them?

1) Same retirement age of 65 for Supreme Court and High Court judges. **2)** A three-year "cooling off" period for retired judges before the take up positions offered by the govt.
3) A fixed tenure for Chief Justice of India. **4)** Executive takeover of judicial appointment system.
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 573 As revealed by the World Bank President Jim Yong Kim, recently, which of the following countries is the largest client for the World Bank Group? The WB committed a total of $6.4 bn to the country during its last fiscal year.

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

Ques. : 574 Which of the following e-commerce websites has announced to have raised $ 1bn (Rs 6,000 cr) in fund recently? This is the largest ever fund-raising by an Indian Internet company.

1) Snapdeal **2)** Shopclues
3) Flipkart **4)** Homeshop18
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 575 Name unmanned vehicle developed by NASA which has made a record clocking highest distance by any man-made vehicle on a celestial body other than earth recently. The solar-powered robot has journeyed 40 KM on mars so far.

1) Opportunity **2)** Discovery
3) Path Finder **4)** Lunokhod 2
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 576 While addressing a gathering of scientists in New Delhi, the Prime Minister Narendra Modi called for 'Blue Revolution'. The blue revolution is associated with

1) Crude oil production **2)** Bio-dieses production
3) Plastic industry **4)** Fisheries sector
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 577 Amit Kumar and Vinesh Phogat won gold medals for India in which of the following games in the 20th Commonwealth Games recently?

1) Boxing
2) Shooting
3) Wrestling
4) Weightlifting
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 578 During the recent visit of Foreign Minister Sushma Swaraj to Nepal, both sides stressed the need to complete necessary formalities for BIPPA. Expand the term BIPPA.

1) Bilateral Investment Protection and Preference Agreement
2) Bilateral Investment Provisioning and Promotion Agreement
3) Bilateral Investment Protection and Promotion Agreement
4) Bilateral Investment Protection and Provision Agreement
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 579 The book titled 'The Gypsy Goddess' has been authored by who among the following?

1) Meena Kandasamy
2) Ranjit Hoskote
3) Kalyan Ray
4) Dayanita Singh
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 580 Who among the following is the present Chairman of the Railway Board?

1) VK Gupta
2) Arunendra Kumar
3) Alok Johri
4) Kul Bhushan
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 581 India opposed the current WTO norms limiting the value of food subsidies calculated at the prices in the base year 1986. What per cent of the total value of food grain production is allowed as food subsidy as per current WTO norms?

1) 5 per cent
2) 8 per cent
3) 10 per cent
4) 12 per cent
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 582 The World Tiger Day is observed on

1) 22 Jul
2) 25 Jul
3) 27 Jul
4) 29 Jul
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 583 Who is the author of the book titled 'One Life is Not Enough'?

1) Natwar Singh
2) Sushma Swaraj
3) Brajesh Mishra
4) Shivraj Patil
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 584 Cricketer Jacques Kallis, who announced retirement from all formats of international cricket, recently, played for which of the following countries?

1) England
2) New Zealand
3) Australia
4) South Africa
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 585 Which of the following states has introduced a new Bill seeking to prohibit private persons from setting up of law colleges in the State?

1) Madhya Pradesh
2) Tamil Nadu
3) Telangana
4) Maharashtra
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 586 India's ace player Satyawart Kadian is associated with which of the following games?

1) Weightlifting
2) Wrestling
3) Squash
4) Boxing
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 587 Who among the following has taken over as the new Chief of Army Staff? He will have a tenure of 30 months as the 26th Chief of the armed forces.

1) Deepak Kapoor
2) Joginder Jaswant Singh
3) Dalbir Singh Suhag
4) Vijay Kumar Singh
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 588 The govt has proposed to formulate a new education policy to meet new challenges. The previous National Policy on Education was adopted by the Parliament in

1) 1968
2) 1976
3) 1984
4) 1986
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 589 Which of the following terms is used in the game of cricket?

1) Punch
2) Leg Bye
3) Trump
4) Deuce
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 590 Yogeshwar Dutt and Babita Kumari won gold medals in men's and women's categories of which of the following games at the 20th Commonwealth Games in Glasgow?

1) Weightlifting
2) Boxing
3) Wrestling
4) Shot put
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 591 The Centre for Science and Environment (CSE) lab study found residues of antibiotics in 40 per cent of the samples of which of the following food items in the Delhi NCR region recently?

1) Milk
2) Chicken
3) Vegetables
4) Ghee
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 592 The Prime Minister will launch the govt's campaign for financial inclusion on the eve of Independence Day. Which of the following is NOT correct in this respect?

1) The new scheme will ensure banking service to 7.5 cr households in the country by 15 Aug 2018.
2) The 600000-odd houses in the country will be split into small service areas assigned to banks.
3) One fixed banking point on 1000-1500 households.
4) It will be insured that each adult member of each household have a bank account.
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 593 Who among the following has scripted history by becoming the first Indian woman gymnast to win a medal at the Commonwealth Games after she bagged a bronze in the vault event?

1) Krishna Poonia
2) Soma Biswas
3) Harwant Kaur
4) Dipa Karmakar
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 594 People across the world can now view images from 76 heritage sites located in India. With the support of the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI), which of the following technology firms has made it possible?

1) Microsoft
2) IBM
3) Google
4) Yahoo
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 595 Which of the following is the first country to ratify the Marrakesh Treaty? This is a treaty to facilitate access to published works for persons who are visually impaired.

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

Ques. : 596 Vikas Gowda gave India its first athletics gold of the 20th Commonwealth Games in which of the following games?

1) Discuss throw
2) Long jump
3) Shot put
4) Triple jump
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 597 After Flipkart's announcement of raising $1 bn, which of the following e-retailers has announced to invest $2 bn in India?

1) ebay
2) Amazon
3) Walmart
4) Carrefour
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 598 A committee formed to look into the possibilities of bringing changes in pattern of civil services examination among

others submitted its report to the govt recently. Who among the following headed the Committee?

1) RK Gupta
2) Arvind Varma
3) PK Das
4) Rakesh Agrawal
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 599 Who among the following has won the Golden Glove award at 2014 FIFA World Cup?

1) James Rodriguez
2) Lionel Messi
3) Mario Goetze
4) Manuel Neuer
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 600 The govt has appointed who among the following as a deputy governor of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) recently?

1) MD Mallya
2) SS Mundra
3) Adarsh Kishore
4) BA Prabhakar
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 601 The World Trade Organization (WTO) failed to reach a consensus on the Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA) recently. Who among the following is the current President of the WTO?

1) Guy Ryder
2) Roberto Azevedo
3) Pascal Lamy
4) Gita Wirjawan
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 602 The Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP) is a trade agreement being negotiated between the European Union and which of the following countries?

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

Ques. : 603 Sierra Leone announced health emergency in the country due to nationwide outbreak of which of the following diseases recently?

1) Malaria
2) Swine Flu
3) Plague
4) Ebola
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 604 The book 'No Country' has been authored by

1) Ranjit Hoskote
2) Sankarshan Thakur
3) Kalyan Ray
4) Dayanita Singh
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 605 Who among the following has been appointed the Chairman of the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) recently?

1) KV Chowdary
2) Praveen Mahajan
3) Shobha L Chary
4) JM Shanti Sundharam
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 606 Which of the following offices looks after the indirect taxes in India?

1) CBDT
2) CBIT
3) CBEC
4) CVC
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 607 Nigeria and three other countries have pledged to speed up the creation of a 2,800-strong regional force to tackle militant Islamist group Boko Haram. Which of the following countries is NOT among them?

1) Chad
2) Cameroon
3) Kenya
4) Chad
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 608 The Third India-Africa Forum Summit (IAFS-III) in 2014 will be hosted by which of the following cities?

1) Addis Ababa
2) New Delhi
3) Nairobi
4) Windhoek
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 609 The provisional results of the Sixth Economic Survey of India were released recently. When was the first Economic Survey conducted?

1) 1977 **2)** 1980
3) 1990 **4)** 2004
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 610 Which of the following Union Territories/State celebrated its 61st libration Day on 2nd Aug?

1) Dadra and Nagar Haveli **2)** Goa
3) Pondicherry **4)** Andaman and Nicobar
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 611 Dutee Chand was disqualified from the 2014 Commonwealth Games after failing a gender test that showed that her testosterone levels were above the range considered "normal" for female athletes. She is a professional

1) discus throw player **2)** pugilist
3) weightlifter **4)** sprinter
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 612 Which of the following revolutions and the areas they are related to is NOT matched correctly?

1) Yellow revolution – Oil seed production **2)** Blue revolution – Fisheries
3) White revolution – Milk production **4)** Silver revolution – Jute production
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 613 Who among the following is current Revenue Secretary of India?

1) Shaktikanta Das **2)** Sumit Bose
3) RS Gujral **4)** Arvind Mayaram
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 614 Aadi Perukku festival, which is thanksgiving festival by farmers to River Cauvery, is celebrated in which of the following states?

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

Ques. : 615 The 2014 Asian Games, officially known as the XVII Asiad, is scheduled to take place in _____from Sep 19 – Oct 4, 2014.

1) Tokyo, Japan **2)** Incheon, South Korea
3) Manila, Philippines **4)** New Delhi, India
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 616 The govt is pushing for the early passing of the much awaited Insurance Amendment Bill. The Bill mandates raising Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in the Insurance Sector from the existing 26 per cent to

1) 49 per cent **2)** 51 per cent
3) 74 per cent **4)** 100 per cent
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 617 The Shipping, Road Transport and Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari has given green signal to the redevelopment project of the Sasoon Dock. This historic dock is located in which of the following cities?

1) Kandla **2)** Cochin
3) Mumbai **4)** Visakhapatnam
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 618 The tourism department of which of the following states has signed an agreement with UNESCO for promoting and protecting the ancient Spice Route which once connected 31 countries?

1) Goa **2)** Tamil Nadu
3) Kerala **4)** Karnataka
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 619 Dipika Pallikal and Joshana Chinappa created history by winning the first-ever gold medal in which of the following games in the 20th Commonwealth Games recently?

1) Squash **2)** Table tennis

3) Badminton **4)** Netball
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 620 SK Jain, who arrested by the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) on the charges of bribery, recently, is the Chairman and Managing Director of which of the following Public Sector Banks (PSBs)?

1) Indian Bank **2)** Bank of India
3) Syndicate Bank **4)** Canara Bank
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 621 The Glasgow Commonwealth Games concluded recently. With 64 medals India stood at which of the following positions in the Games?

1) Third **2)** Fourth
3) Fifth **4)** Sixth
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 622 India succeeded in clinching silver medal in hockey in Glasgow Commonwealth Games. Which of the following teams defeated India to win the gold?

1) Australia **2)** Pakistan
3) England **4)** New Zealand
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 623 Who among the following made history by becoming the first Indian male shuttler in 32 years to win a gold medal at the Commonwealth Games?

1) Gurusai Datt **2)** Parupalli Kashyap
3) Ajay Jayaram **4)** Srikanth Kidambi
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 624 Which of the following provinces of China was devastated by a strong 6.5-magnitude earthquake that killed nearly 400 people recently?

1) Yunnan **2)** Hainan
3) Sichuan **4)** Shandong
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 625 Indian Banks Association (IBA) has a common networking system for sharing the ATM facilities located in Mumbai, which is known as

1) Indian Clearing House **2)** Cash Network
3) ATM network **4)** Shared Payment System Network
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 626 Consortium Advances refer to

1) Multiple advances **2)** Concurrent borrowing
3) Financing of consignment business **4)** Joint financing by more than one bank
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 627 We often read about NDTL of banks in the financial newspapers. What is the full form of NDTL?

1) Net Dividend and Time Liabilities **2)** Net Demand and Transfer Liabilities
3) Net Demand and Time Liabilities **4)** Net Discount and Time Liabilities
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 628 The book 'Single Man' has been authored by

1) Sankarshan Thakur **2)** Ranjit Hoskote
3) Kalyan Ray **4)** Dayanita Singh
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 629 A short term govt security paper is called

1) Share **2)** Debenture
3) Mutual fund **4)** Treasury bill
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 630 The book 'Hard Choices' has been authored by

1) Kris Manjapra **2)** Robert Gaibraith

3) Hilary Rodham Clinton
4) Bill Clinton
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 631 We often read that govt is concerned about the rising CAD. What does letter 'A' denotes in the term CAD?

1) Account
2) Adequacy
3) Advance
4) Adjustment
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 632 The SEBI Bill was introduced in the Lok Sabha recently. Which of the following is NOT correct about the Bill?

1) The capital markets watchdog will have to seek permission from special courts to conduct search and seizure operations.
2) New provisions to provide for minimum penalties ranging from Rs one lakh to Rs 10 lakh, depending on the nature of the case.
3) The new bill, called the Securities Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2014, contains as many as 57 clauses for amending various provisions.
4) It gives SEBI authority to act against all illegal money-pooling schemes involving Rs 100 cr or more.
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 633 The govt is all set to announce India's foreign trade policy (FTP) for the period _____as it seeks to boost manufacturing and exports, among other things.

1) 2014-19
2) 2014-16
3) 2014-18
4) 2015-20
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 634 The RBI, in its recent bimonthly policy review, slashed statutory liquidity ratio (SLR) by 0.5 per cent to unlock about Rs 40,000 cr into the system. What is the new SLR?

1) 21.5 per cent
2) 22 per cent
3) 22.5 per cent
4) 23 per cent
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 635 The World Bank has pledged USD 200 mn in emergency funding to help West African countries contain spread of deadly _____infections and improve public health systems.

1) MERS
2) Plague
3) Ebola
4) AIDS
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 636 As the RBI kept interest rates unchanged in its recent policy review, EMIs paid on home, automobile and other loans would remain unchanged. What is the expanded form of EMI?

1) Equal monthly installments
2) Established monthly installments
3) Estimated monthly installments
4) Equated monthly installments
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 637 The State broadcaster Doordarshan's international channel is all set to become available to viewers in Europe, Africa and even Australia after Prasar Bharati entered into an agreement in that regard with

1) Deutsche Welle (DW)
2) BBC
3) Voice of America
4) News Corp
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 638 After their safe evacuation form war-torn Iraq, 44 Keralite nurses were evacuated from which of the following strife-torn countries recently.

1) Tunisia
2) Libya
3) Syria
4) Liberia
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 639 Justice Manjula Chellur was sworn in as the Chief Justice of which of the following High courts recently?

1) Madras High Court
2) Delhi High Court
3) High Court of Punjab and Haryana
4) Calcutta High Court
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 640 Currently, what is the Bank Rate as specified by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)?

1) 7 per cent
2) 8 per cent
3) 9 per cent
4) 9.5 per cent

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

Ques. : 641 Who among the following has written the book 'Half Girlfriend'?

1) Amish Tripathi **2)** Chetan Bhagat
3) Ravinder Singh **4)** Durjoy Datta
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 642 The Hiroshima day was observed recently on which of the following dates? On this day in 1945, an atom bomb was dropped by the US on Hiroshima in one of the final chapters of World War II.

1) Aug 6 **2)** Aug 7
3) Aug 9 **4)** Aug 10
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 643 The 41st Chess Olympiad was held recently in which of the following cities?

1) Tromso, Norway **2)** Belgrade, Serbia
3) Sofia, Bulgaria **4)** Havana, Cuba
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 644 The RBI announced its bimonthly policy review on 5 Aug 2014. Which of the following is NOT correct in the light of the policy review?

1) Repo rate – 7 per cent **2)** Cash Reserve Ratio – 4 per cent
3) Statutory Liquidity Ratio – 22 per cent **4)** Marginal Standing Facility – 9 per cent
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 645 Pran Kumar Sharma, who died, recently, was an eminent

1) novelist **2)** guitarist
3) cartoonist **4)** historian
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 646 Nirmala Sitharaman is holding which of the following Union Ministries as of now? Minister of State (Independent Charge) for

1) Ministry of Commerce and Industry **2)** Ministry of Skill Development, Entrepreneurship, Youth Affairs and Sports
3) Ministry of Planning, Statistics and Programme Implementation **4)** Ministry for Development of North Eastern Region
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 647 India has put on hold all defence procurements from the Finmeccannica company and its affiliate firms in the wake of an alleged chopper scam. This company is based in

1) France **2)** Italy
3) Israel **4)** Sweden
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 648 The 18th BASIC Ministerial Meeting was held in which of the following cities recently? The Environment Ministers of BASIC countries met to discuss important issues relating to current United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) negotiations.

1) Cape Town **2)** Beijing
3) New Delhi **4)** Brasilia
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 649 A massive landslide took place in Nepal after an artificial lake was created in Sunkoshi river near Nepal-Tibet. This also poses serious flood threat to several districts of Bihar as Sunkoshi flows across the border into Bihar as the

1) Gandak River **2)** Kosi River
3) Punpun River **4)** Sone River
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 650 As per the recent report of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP), Indian economy is expected to grow by _____in current fiscal.

1) 5 per cent **2)** 5.5 per cent
3) 6 per cent **4)** 6.5 per cent

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

Ques. : 651 In order to check rising Current Account Deficit (CAD), the govt had raised import duties on the yellow metal to _____.

1) 5 per cent **2)** 8 per cent
3) 10 per cent **4)** 12 per cent
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 652 Which of the following countries has launched construction of a new Suez Canal that aims to speed up traffic along the existing waterway and boost the country's battered economy?

1) Egypt **2)** Syria
3) Israel **4)** Iran
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 653 Chuck Hagel, who visited New Delhi, recently, is currently the _____.

1) US Defence Secretary **2)** US Secretary of State
3) US Secretary of Treasury **4)** US Secretary of Transportation
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 654 In his recent review, the RBI governor stressed that SLR and PSL process should be made more effective. While SLR stands for Statutory Liquidity Ratio, PSL stands for

1) Priority Social Lending **2)** Priority Sector Lending
3) Preferred Sector Lending **4)** Priority Sector Leverage
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 655 The veteran actress Smita Talwalkar died recently. She was a film and theatre actress of _____cinema.

1) Tamil **2)** Marathi
3) Kannada **4)** Bengali
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 656 The govt sacked Governor Kamla Beniwal recently for alleged misuse of govt fund. She was erstwhile governor of

1) Assam **2)** Manipur
3) Meghalaya **4)** Mizoram
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 657 The two-day 18th BASIC Ministerial Meeting was held recently. Which of the following is NOT a member of BASIC group?

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

Ques. : 658 The US President Barack Obama announced a commitment of USD 33 bn to support development across _____recently in a meeting with the representatives of the region.

1) Gulf region **2)** African region
3) Asia continent **4)** North America region
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 659 India is opting to acquire the Apache attack and Chinook heavy-lift helicopters from which of the following countries at present?

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

Ques. : 660 The World Health Organisation (WHO) declared the outbreak of which of the following diseases in West Africa to be an international public health emergency that requires an extraordinary response to stop its spread?

1) Ebola **2)** MERS
3) Swine Flu **4)** Japanese Encephalitis
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 661 The govt has increased the clean energy cess on coal from Rs 50 per ton to _____, recently, to raise more revenue for clean energy and cross subsidising solar and other renewable energy.

1) Rs 100 **2)** Rs 150
3) Rs 200 **4)** Rs 250
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 662 Which of the following states has no Regional Rural Bank (RRB)?

1) Maharashtra **2)** Goa
3) Tamil Nadu **4)** Karnataka
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 663 Miihier Singh is all set to represent India at the 48th Asian Championship of _____ in Macau in China.

1) Bodybuilding **2)** Chess
3) Weightlifting **4)** Wrestling
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 664 Deepika Kumari is associated with which of the following games?

1) Shooting **2)** Boxing
3) Archery **4)** Badminton
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 665 Who among the following is the Union Environment, Forest and Climate Change Minister of India at present? He addressed the 18th BASIC ministerial meeting on climate change in New Delhi recently.

1) Ananth Kumar **2)** Inderjit Singh Rao
3) Prakash Javadekar **4)** Dharmendra Pradhan
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 666 Which of the following countries has launched a mission to map Arctic seabed to support its bid to extend its territory in the region? The region is believed to include large oil and gas reserves.

1) Russia **2)** Canada
3) Norway **4)** Sweden
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 667 Sushma Swaraj visited Myanmar to participate in ASEAN-India Ministerial meeting recently. Which of the following is the capital city of Myanmar?

1) Yangon **2)** Mandalay
3) Mergui **4)** Nay Pyi Taw
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 668 Name the Speaker of the US House of Representatives who has invited Prime Minister Narendra Modi to address a joint session of the US Congress at a date convenient to him during his upcoming US visit.

1) Mitch McConnell **2)** John Boehner
3) Nancy Pelosi **4)** Eric Cantor
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 669 The visiting Indian Men's Hockey team thrashed which of the following countries 5-1 in their second match to clinch the three-match test series recently?

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

Ques. : 670 The17th Asian Games (Asiad) is scheduled to be held at Incheon, South Korea from Sep 19 to Oct 4. The first Asian Games where held in which of the following cities in 1951?

1) New Delhi **2)** Manila
3) Tokyo **4)** Jakarta
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 671 The Cenral Bureau of Investigation (CBI) has registered a preliminary enquiry against Kingfisher Airlines and which of the following banks in connection with the Rs 900 cr that the bank had given as a loan to the Airlines?

1) Syndicate Bank **2)** State Bank of India
3) IDBI Bank **4)** Bank of India
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 672 Samba is a variety of which of the following grains grown in Sri Lanka and some parts of India (mainly in Tamil Nadu)?

1) Maize
2) Rice
3) Wheat
4) Cane
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 673 Manik Sarkar has urged Prime Minister Narendra Modi for further improvement in relations with Bangladesh for better connectivity and development of the North-East region. He is the present Chief Minister of which of the following states?

1) Manipur
2) Arunachal Pradesh
3) Mizoram
4) Tripura
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 674 In the Archery World Cup Stage IV in Wroclaw, Poland, Indian women's team has won gold medal. Who among the following is NOT a member of the women's archery team of India?

1) Lakshmi Rani Manji
2) Bombayala Devi Lashram
3) Deepika Kumari
4) Babita Kumari
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 675 The Nation remembered which of the following movements on its 72nd anniversary recently? It was launched in 1942 by the Indian National Congress.

1) Quit India Movement
2) Civil Disobedience Movement
3) Salt March
4) Khilafat Movement
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 676 Recep Tayyip Erdogan won recent presidential polls in which of the following countries? He is set to become Turkey's first elected President.

1) Turkey
2) Cambodia
3) Egypt
4) Syria
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 677 China has excluded which of the following electronics manufacturer from the list of products that can be bought with public money, recently, citing security concerns? The exclusion makes it the fourth major foreign company to face hurdles in the Chinese market.

1) Samsung
2) Apple
3) HTC
4) Blackberry
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 678 Which of the following countries has become the new Chair of the ASEAN group?

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

Ques. : 679 In her address at the 12th India-ASEAN meeting, recently, the External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj referred to '5Ts' of govt of India. Which of the following is NOT among them?

1) Tradition
2) Talent
3) Tourism
4) Trade
5) Telecommunication
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 680 China is pushing for a BCIM corridor to bolster the economy of the region. Which of the following countries is/are also part of the corridor?

1) Brazil
2) Indonesia
3) Myanmar
4) Maldives
5) All the above
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 681 The Mettur Dam is one of the largest and oldest dams in India which was built in 1934. It is situated on which of the following rivers?

1) Cauvery
2) Krishna
3) Godavari
4) Narmada
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 682 Which of the following is a banking/economy related word?

1) Apartheid
2) Apprehension
3) Undermine
4) Appropriation
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 683 Who among the following won the men's singles of the Rogers Cup 2014 recently?

1) Andy Murray
2) Jo-Wilfried Tsonga
3) Novak Djokovic
4) Roger Federer
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 684 The Prime Minister Narendra Modi dedicated to the nation two hydel power projects, the 44 MW Chutak hydro-electric project and the 45 MW Nimoo Bazgo project in which of the following states recently?

1) Himachal Pradesh
2) Arunachal Pradesh
3) Jammu and Kashmir
4) Uttarakhand
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 685 Islamist militants forced to flee thousands of members of the Yazidi religious minority and have reportedly killed at least 500 people of the community in which of the following countries recently?

1) Iran
2) Iraq
3) Libya
4) Kenya
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 686 During his recent visit to India the US Defence Secretary Chuck Hagel offered to co-produce and co-develop the next generation Javelin _____guided missiles.

1) anti-tank
2) anti-aircraft
3) torpedo destroyer
4) anti-ballistic
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 687 India and the 10-nation ASEAN group are likely to sign the long-delayed free trade agreement in services and investments soon. Which of the following is NOT an ASEAN member country?

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

Ques. : 688 Aruna Asaf Ali hoisted the Indian Tricolour for the first time at which of the following places during the Quit India Movement?

1) Jaliawala Bagh, Amritsar
2) Chittagong (now in Bangladesh)
3) Gowalia Tank Maidan, Mumbai
4) Bardoli, Gujarat
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 689 The market regulator SEBI has cleared REIT, InvIT norms to tap Rs 1-tn fund inflows from foreign and domestic investors. While REIT stands for Real Estate Investment Trust, what does InvIT stand for?

1) Information Technology Investment Trusts
2) Infrastructure Investment Trusts
3) Infrastructure Innovation Trusts
4) Information Technology Innovation Trusts
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 690 The selection committee has recommended 15 names for Arjuna awards though no sports person has been recommended for the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna award this year. Who among the following was the chairman of the selection committee?

1) Kapil Dev
2) Sunil Gavaskar
3) Ravi Shastri
4) Baichung Bhutia
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 691 In which of the following states, the state assembly has unanimously passed a bill enforcing the dress code and banning entry of persons wearing dhoti in public places as a cognizable offense punishable with jail term?

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

Ques. : 692 The International Youth Day is celebrated on which of the following dates?

1) Aug 8 **2)** Aug 10
3) Aug 12 **4)** Aug 13
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 693 The CBI is soon to file charge sheet in Aircel-Maxis deal involving a former telecom minister. Name the former telecom minister who allegedly forced promoter C Sivasankaran to sell the stake in Aircel to Malaysian firm Maxis Group in 2006?

1) Dayanidhi Maran **2)** Kalanithi Maran
3) Kanimozhi **4)** A Raja
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 694 The Oscar-winning actor-comedian Robin Williams allegedly committed suicide recently. He is best known for his role in

1) Star Wars **2)** Good Will Hunting
3) Gladiator **4)** Godzilla
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 695 The book titled 'Half Mother' has been authored by

1) Shahnaz Bashir **2)** Harris Irfan
3) Deepti Kapoor **4)** Robert Gaibraith
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 696 M Thambidurai is all set to be elected unopposed as Deputy Speaker of Lok Sabha. He belongs to which of the following political parties?

1) TRS **2)** TDP
3) INS **4)** AIADMK
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 697 Who among the following are the Parliamentarians who has/have been conferred the Outstanding Parliamentary award by the President Pranab Mukherjee recently?

1) Arun Jaitley **2)** Sharad Yadav
3) Karan Singh **4)** All the above
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 698 Tony Abbott, who is scheduled to visit India in September, is the present Prime Minster of which of the following countries?

1) Italy **2)** UK
3) Australia **4)** Norway
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 699 The Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced a package for building of roads in Jammu and Kashmir during his recent visit to the state. What is the size of the package?

1) Rs 6,000 cr **2)** Rs 8,000 cr
3) Rs 10,000 cr **4)** Rs 12,000 cr
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 700 The Prime Minister Narendra Modi stressed on need to bring a 'saffron revolution' with respect to which of the following states recently during his visit to the state?

1) Jammu & Kashmir **2)** Arunachal Pradesh
3) Himachal Pradesh **4)** Maharashtra
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 701 Name the player who has become the first Indian to reach semifinals of World Junior Squash in Namibia recently?

1) Tushar Kothari **2)** Kush Kumar
3) Shashi Pandey **4)** Javed Mohammad
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 702 Which of the following is NOT an award given in the field of sports in India?

1) Dronacharya award **2)** Arjuna Award
3) Dhyan Chand Award **4)** Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna
5) None of these **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 703 The Centre has urged all the states to provide 33 per cent reservation for women in their police forces to effectively deal with cases of sexual violence and crime against women. Which of the following states is the first to do so?

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

Ques. : 704 Which of the following state govts celebrated Kanyasree Divas on 14 Aug throughout the state with an aim to improve the status and well being of girl child?

1) Gujarat
2) West Bengal
3) Maharashtra
4) Rajasthan
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 705 Which of the following countries will try to insert its spacecraft into the Martian orbit on Sep 24, 2014 and if successful, it will be the first Asian country to orbit a spacecraft around planet Mars?

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

Ques. : 706 The Judicial Appointment Commissions Bill has been cleared by the Lok Sabha. The Bill brought to scrap the collegium system will establish a _____body for appointment of judges to the Supreme Court and the High Courts.

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

Ques. : 707 India's women's archery recurve team won gold in the Archery World Cup Stage IV in Wroclaw, Poland recently. The team defeated which of the following countries?

1) Georgia
2) Russia
3) Mexico
4) Poland
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 708 Which of the following states has become the most favoured destination of foreign tourists among the north-eastern states of the country as per the latest data?

1) Manipur
2) Assam
3) Arunachal Pradesh
4) Sikkim
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 709 Which of the following facts is NOT correct with respect to India-ASEAN relations?

1) The members of ASEAN group include Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Myanmar, Singapore, Thailand, Philippines and Vietnam.
2) India and the ASEAN are set to sign a free trade agreement in services and investments.
3) The India-ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement was signed in Aug 2009 and it came into force on 1 Jan 2010.
4) The target has been set at USD 100 bn by 2015 for ASEAN-India trade.
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 710 The Prime Minister Narendra Modi mentioned three 'Ps' as the assets of Jammu and Kashmir during his visit to the state recently. Which of the following is NOT among these three 'Ps'?

1) Prakash (solar light)
2) Prayawaran (environment)
3) Paryatan (tourism)
4) Pashmina (goat)
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 711 The Lok Sabha cleared the National Judicial Appointments Commission Bill, 2014 recently. Which of the following statements is NOT correct with respect to this Bill?

1) The Chief Justice of India will head the NJAC.
2) The NJAC will comprise two senior judges of the Supreme Court.
3) Two eminent personalities and the Law Minister will be the members of the proposed body.
4) One of the eminent persons will be nominated from among the persons belonging to the SCs, STs, OBCs, minorities or women.
5) None of these
Ans.) 5

Ques. : 712 Name the Indian-origin academician who has won Fields Medal known as the "Nobel Prize of mathematics."

1) Maryam Mirzakhani
2) Subhash Khot

3) Manjul Bhargava
4) Sanjeev Arora
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 713 The telecom regulator TRAI suggested restriction on political bodies and corporates entering the television and newspaper business recently. Who among the following is the present Chairman of TRAI?

1) Rahul Khullar
2) Alok Joshi
3) Shashi Kant Sharma
4) Pulok Chatterji
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 714 Who among the following is the current Union Railway Minister? He launched the next generation e-ticketing system developed by Centre for Railway information Systems (CRIS) recently.

1) Jagadish Shettar
2) Nitin Gadkari
3) Ananth Kumar
4) Sadananda Gowda
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 715 The Govt has slashed the borrowing target for Apr-Sep by Rs. 16,000 cr with the objective to provide more liquidity in the system. Now what is the govt's borrowing target for the first half of the current financial year?

1) Rs 5.97 lakh cr
2) Rs 4.57 lakh cr
3) Rs 3.68 lakh cr
4) Rs 3.52 lakh cr
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 716 The govt has re-launched the Varishtha Pension Bima Yojana for the benefit of citizens aged 60 years and above. The Scheme will be administrated by the

1) ICICI Prudential
2) LIC of India
3) Bajaj Allianz
4) SBI Life
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 717 The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a new limit on ATM transactions per month. Now customers will avail _____free transactions from ATMs of other banks in six metropolitan cities.

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

Ques. : 718 India celebrated its Independence Day on 15 Aug. This was India's _____Independence Day.

1) 66th
2) 67th
3) 68th
4) 69th
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 719 Which other countries celebrate their independence day on 15 Aug along with India?

1) South Korea
2) Congo
3) Liechtenstein
4) All the above
5) Only 1) and 2)
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 720 On the occasion of Independence Day, who among the following was posthumously conferred with the nation's highest peacetime gallantry medal, Ashok Chakra?

1) Captain Vikram Batra
2) Yogendra Singh Yadav
3) Rifleman Sanjay Kumar
4) Major Mukund Vardarajan
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 721 Who among the following has become the first woman to win the Fields Medal known as the "Nobel Prize of mathematics" recently?

1) Maria Chudnovsky
2) Maryam Mirzakhani
3) Farinaz Koushanfar
4) Sophie Morel
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 722 The Indian Railways launched its next-generation e-ticketing system recently. Which of the following is NOT a highlight of the new system?

1) The system is developed by Centre for Railway information Systems (CRIS) with an estimated cost of Rs 180 cr.
2) It would allow booking of 7200 tickets per minute against 2000 tickets in the old system.
3) With the launch of the system, now 40,000

concurrent users can book e-tickets simultaneously.

4) Train tickets can now be booked through Go-India smart card without cash transaction.

5) None of these

Ans.) 3

Ques. : 723 The govt is in process to set up National Judicial Appointment Commission (NJAC) through which of the following constitution amendment bills?

1) 120th
2) 121st
3) 122nd
4) 123rd
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 724 The cash-strapped and delayed TAPI gas pipeline project has found a new backer in TOTAL (France) to help take off the project. TAPI gas pipeline originates in which of the following countries?

1) Turkmenistan
2) Tajikistan
3) Tunisia
4) Turkey
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 725 The name of Mithali Raj has been suggested for Padma Shri award. She is associated with which of the following games?

1) Badminton
2) Cricket
3) Shooting
4) Archery
5) None of these
Ans.) 2

Ques. : 726 The PM Naredra Modi announced a new scheme to promote financial inclusion in the country on the eve of Independence Day. What is the name of the scheme?

1) Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana
2) Pradhan Mantri Jan Jan Yojana
3) Pradhan Mantri Jan Kalyan Yojana
4) Pradhan Mantri Jan Samriddhi Yojana
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 727 The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has announced to issue banknotes of which of the following denominations with inset letter 'R' in the Mahatma Gandhi Series-2005 which will bear year of printing '2014' on the reverse?

1) Rs 100
2) Rs 500
3) Rs 1,000
4) Rs 5,000
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 728 From the ramparts of historic Red Fort, PM Narendra Modi called for a 10-year moratorium on which of the following on the eve of Independence Day?

1) Caste and communal violence
2) Child marriage
3) Girl child genocide
4) Farmers' suicide
5) None of these
Ans.) 1

Ques. : 729 Who among the following has been appointed the next Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) chairman?

1) DP Agrawal
2) Dinesh Singh
3) Rajni Razdan
4) Ved Prakash
5) None of these
Ans.) 3

Ques. : 730 The book titled 'The Brave' has been authored by who among the following? It is the chronicle of the heroism of the 21 men awarded India's highest military decoration, the Param Vir Chakra.

1) Meena Kandasamy
2) Robert Gaibraith
3) Kalyan Ray
4) Rachna Bisht Rawat
5) None of these
Ans.) 4

Ques. : 731 Which of the following state govts launched the 'Bhamashah scheme' on the eve of Independence Day? Under the scheme bank accounts in the name of women of 1.5 crore families will be opened to transfer benefits directly to their accounts.

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

Ques. : 732 The Mahatma Gandhi Series-2005 banknotes, which contain some additional or new security features as compared to the previous MG series notes, are issued in the denomination of

1) Rs 10
2) Rs 20
3) Rs 50
4) All the above

5) Only Rs 500 **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 733 Examine the following with respect to the two-phase financial inclusion scheme 'Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana' and identify the only incorrect statement.

1) The person who will open bank account will get a RuPay debit card and the family will get Rs 1 lakh insurance cover.

2) Bank accounts will be opened for 15 crore poor persons with an overdraft facility of Rs 5,000.

3) It seeks to provide two accounts to 7.5 crore identified households by Aug 2018.

4) The minimum monthly renumeration of Rs 5,000 to business correspondents who will provide the last link between the account holders and the bank.

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

Ques. : 734 Which of the following states will host the 2015 paragliding World Cup?

1) Rajasthan **2)** Uttarakhand
3) Himachal Pradesh **4)** Arunachal Pradesh
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 735 Resham Lal Jangde, who died recently, was

1) the first finance minister of independent India **2)** the fist Indian governor of the RBI
3) the first president of FICCI **4)** the member of India's first Lok Sabha
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 736 Who among the following is NOT a winner of the Roma Magsaysay Award for 2014 announced recently?

1) Hu Shuli (China) **2)** Saur Marlina Manurung (Indonesia)
3) Omara Khan Masoudi (Afghanistan) **4)** The Citizens Foundation (Pakistan)
5) Muhammad Yunus (Bangladesh) **Ans.)** 5

Ques. : 737 China's smog-plagued capital Beijing has announced plans to ban the use of coal by the end of which of the following years?

1) 2016 **2)** 2018
3) 2020 **4)** 2022
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 738 The National Ganga River Basin Authority (NGRBA) has been shifted from Environment Ministry to Water Resources Ministry. The govt of India gave River Ganga the status of a national river and constituted NGRBA in

1) Jan 2007 **2)** Mar 2008
3) Feb 2009 **4)** Dec 2010
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 739 The govt has set up a committee to provide a blueprint for restructuring the higher education regulator University Grant Commission (UGC). Who among the following is the chairman of the Commission?

1) Hari Gautam **2)** Kapil Kapoor
3) CM Jariwala **4)** Makarand Paranjape
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 740 The Ramon Magsaysay Award established in 1957 is Asia's highest honour. The award celebrates memory and leadership example of the third president of which of the following Asian countries?

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

Ques. : 741 While the Indian men's cricket team has disappointed with their spineless performance against England, the women's cricket team beat which of the following teams by six wickets recently in their first Test match after a eight-year hiatus?

1) Bangladesh **2)** New Zealand
3) Australia **4)** England
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4

Ques. : 742 The name of Julian Assange is associated with which of the following?

1) Kaspersky lab **2)** US NSA whistle blowing
3) Wikipedia **4)** WikiLeaks

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

Ques. : 743 Imran Khan called for 'civil disobedience movement' in Pakistan to oust Nawaz Sharif-led govt recently and arranged 'Azadi March' to Islamabad. He leads which of the following parties?

1) Pakistan Awami Tehrik (PAT) **2)** Pakistan Muslim League
3) Tehreek-e-Insaaf (PTI) **4)** Pakistan People's Party
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 744 India called off Foreign Secretary-level talks with Pakistan after its High Commissioner in India held talks with Kashmiri separatists. Who is the current High Commissioner of Pakistan in India?

1) Syed Akbaruddin **2)** Aizaz Chaudhry
3) Abdul Basit **4)** Sartaj Aziz
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 745 Which of the following extensions of the given acronyms is NOT correct?

1) LAF: Liquidity Adjustment Facility **2)** MSF: Marginal Standing Facility
3) CAR: Current Adequacy Ratio **4)** GST: Goods and Services Tax
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 746 'Riel' is the currency of which of the following countries?

1) Cuba **2)** Cameroon
3) Cambodia **4)** Canada
5) None of these **Ans.)** 3

Ques. : 747 Mahela Jayawardene, who bade adieu to Test Cricket, recently, was a batsman of which of the following teams?

1) Sri Lanka **2)** West Indies
3) England **4)** Bangladesh
5) None of these **Ans.)** 1

Ques. : 748 Prime Minister Narendra Modi approved the constitution of an Expenditure Management Commission (EMC) announced in the Budget for FY15. Who among the following will head the Commission?

1) Sumit Bose **2)** Bimal Jalan
3) Subir Gokarn **4)** Deepak Parekh
5) None of these **Ans.)** 2

Ques. : 749 The Tata Sons-Singapore Airlines joint venture is all set to launch their airline soon. What will be the brand name of its new airline?

1) Pushpak **2)** Udaan
3) Vayudoot **4)** Vistara
5) None of these **Ans.)** 4