

[CURRENT AFFAIRS -13-AUG -2018]

Question-1. The External Affairs Ministry has increased the amount of legal and financial assistance for Indian women deserted by their NRI husbands in 13 countries to:

- a) 4000 US dollar per case
- b) 5000 US dollar per case
- c) 6000 US dollar per case
- d) 7000 US dollar per case

Correct Answer: a)

Notes: The External Affairs Ministry has increased the amount of legal and financial assistance for Indian women deserted by their husbands in 13 countries to 4,000 US dollar per case. The Indian Community Welfare Fund (ICWF) Guidelines were revised in September 2017 with an aim to provide financial and legal assistance to distressed women married to NRI spouses by all Missions and Posts. Earlier, the assistance amount was limited to 3,000 US dollar per case in the developed countries and 2,000 US dollar per case in the developing countries.

Question-2. How many modern bio-fuel refineries will be established in the country as per the Prime Minister Narendra Modi?

- a) 10
- b) 12
- c) 15
- d) 18

Correct Answer: b)

Note: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on August 10 said that 12 modern biofuel refineries worth ten thousand crore rupees will be established across the country. This will provide employment to 1.5 lakh youth. He was addressing an event on the occasion of World Biofuel Day 2018 in New Delhi.

Question-3. What is the name of a single window web portal for environmental, wildlife, forest and coastal zone clearance launched by the Prime Minister on August 10?

- a) PARYAVARAN
- b) PARIVESH
- c) SULABH
- d) SUGAM

Correct Answer: b)

Note: On the occasion of World Biofuel Day 2018, Prime Minister launched web portal PARIVESH, a single window for environmental, wildlife, forest and Coastal Regulation Zone clearances. He also released a book National Biofuel Policy 2018.

Question-4. At which pace, President Shri Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated the 'One District One Product' summit on August 10, 2018?

- a) New Delhi
- b) Bhopal
- c) Lucknow
- d) Patna

Correct Answer: c)

Note: Under the ‘One District One Product’ scheme of Uttar Pradesh, the state government has set a goal of providing employment to 25 lakh people in five years through the financial assistance of Rs. 25,000 crores.

Question-5. Ivan Duque was elected as the President of:

- a) Colombia
- b) Ecuador
- c) Chile
- d) Spain

Correct Answer: a)

Note: Colombia’s newly-elected President Ivan Duque was sworn in on August 7. He pledged to unite the country and improve economic growth. He pledged changes to tackle corruption and invigorate the economy and vowed to change the peace deal with the FARC rebel group.

Question-6. Recently the Massanjore dam was bone of contention between:

- a) Odisha-West Bengal
- b) Jharkhand-West Bengal
- c) Karnataka-Tamil Nadu
- d) Madhya Pradesh-Odisha

Correct Answer: b)

Note: The West Bengal government has been maintaining the Massanjore dam in Dumka (Jharkhand) dam since 1955. Controversy erupted after the reservoir wall was painted with blue and white, the flag colour of Trinamul Congress.

Question-7. At which Bharat Petroleum Refinery, Hydrocracker blast caused major fire in which 40 people were injured on August 8, 2018?

- a) Kochi Refinery
- b) Bina Refinery
- c) Numaligarh Refinery
- d) Mahul Refinery

Correct Answer: d)

Note: There was a fire after the explosion on August 8 at the BPCL refinery located in Chembur, Mumbai.

Question-8. On the occasion of the Diamond Jubilee celebration of which State Assembly, on August 6, the President Shri Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated the ‘festival of democracy’?

- a) Karnataka Assembly
- b) Kerala assembly
- c) Maharashtra Legislative Assembly
- d) Uttar Pradesh Assembly

Correct Answer: b)

Note: The President of India, Shri Nath Kovind inaugurated the ‘Festival of Democracy’ in Thiruvananthapuram on August 6, 2018 to mark the conclusion of the diamond jubilee celebrations of the Kerala legislative assembly.

Question-9. At what place in Himachal Pradesh was the ‘International Minjar Fair’ organized recently?

- a) Market
- b) Shimla
- c) Chamba
- d) Bilaspur

Correct Answer: c)

Note: The eight-day-long international Minjar fair in Chamba was concluded on August 5th Himachal Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur led a procession from Akhand Chandi Palace to Manjri Garden to immerse (golden tassel) in the Ravi river.

Question-10. What was the issue of nationwide protests of students in the first week of August 2018 in Bangladesh?

- a) Corruption
- b) Military intervention
- c) Rape
- d) Road safety

Correct Answer: a)

Note: Students in their tens of thousands have brought parts of the Bangladesh to a standstill since two teenager were killed by a speeding bus.