

[CURRENT AFFAIRS – 3- OCTOBER -2018]

Question 1: Which country will hold the fifth World Internet Conference (WIC) on November 7-9 2019?

- A. China
- B. USA
- C. India
- D. Germany

Answer: A

Explanation: China will hold the fifth World Internet Conference (WIC) in its river town of Wuzhen on November 7-9 2019. Theme: "creating a digital world for mutual trust and collective governance - towards a community with a shared future in cyberspace". The conference will advocate exchanges, mutual learning, cooperation and sharing in the digital fields.

Question2: Who will publish the New edition of Tirukkural with commentaries?

- A. Sivalayam J.Mohan
- B. Vedagiri Mudaliar
- C. Ku.Ma.Balasubramaniam
- D. Meenakshi Sundaram Pillai

Answer: B

Explanation: The new edition of Tirukkural will be released on October 5, 2018. Vedagiri Mudaliar, who taught Tamil in Madurai Tamil Sangam, set up a printing press exclusively for the purpose. In the 19th century, 1850 to be precise, Tamil scholars turned their attention to Kalathur as Vedagiri Mudaliar first printed the Tirukkural with commentaries. The revised version was released in 1853. Vedagiri Mudaliar's book was never printed again. Now, Sivalayam J. Mohan will release the new edition on October 5, exactly 165 years after it was first published.

Question3: Which of these tops in the Unified Payments Interface (UPI) payments with over 33% of the overall market share?

- A. MobiKwik
- B. Paytm
- C. PhonePe
- D. Google Pay

Answer: B

Explanation: Alibaba and SoftBank-backed Paytm registered over 137 million UPI transactions in September, becoming the leading contributor to Unified Payments Interface (UPI) payments with over 33% of the overall market share. One97 Communications Limited, that owns the brand Paytm, is enabling BHIM UPI for offline payments and over five million offline merchants, out of its 9.5 million merchant-base, now accept Paytm UPI.

Question4: Udyam Abhilasha, a National Level Entrepreneurship Awareness Campaign is launched by;

- A. Exim Bank
- B. NABARD
- C. SIDBI
- D. IFCI

Answer: C

Explanation: On the occasion of Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI), had launched a National Level Entrepreneurship Awareness Campaign, Udyam Abhilasha in 115 Apparitional Districts identified by NITI Aayog in 28 States and reaching to around 15,000 youth. SIDBI will join to contribute to "the transformation mission" unleashed for these districts. The campaign would create and strengthen cadre of more than 800 trainers to provide entrepreneurship training to the aspiring youths across these districts thus encouraging them to enter the admired segment of entrepreneurs.

Question5: Which team won the 24th Senior Women's National football championships?

- A. Odisha
- B. Karnataka
- C. Manipur
- D. Sikkim

Answer: C

Explanation: Manipur won the 24th Senior Women's National football championships for the 19th time in Cuttack, Odisha. Manipur beat Odisha by securing 2-1 in the final. In the semifinals, Manipur had beaten Railways 4-3 in a penalty shootout, while Odisha dethroned Tamil Nadu 4-3.

Question6: Which alcohol control initiative has been launched by the World Health Organization (WHO), recently?

- A. TRUST
- B. SAFER
- C. UNITE
- D. HAWK

Answer: B

Explanation: The World Health Organization (WHO) has recently launched a new alcohol control initiative 'SAFER' to prevent and reduce alcohol-related death and disability. It provides five high-impact strategies that can help governments reduce the harmful use of alcohol and related health, social and economic consequences. The WHO-led initiative and action package aim to support global target of reducing harmful use of alcohol by 10% by 2025. It is the newest WHO-led roadmap to support governments in taking practical steps to accelerate progress on health, beat Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) through addressing the harmful use of alcohol, and achieves development targets.

Question7: Who will lead India at the 2018 Asian Men's Hockey Champions Trophy in Muscat?

- A. Harendra Singh
- B. Rupinder Pal Singh
- C. Somwarpet Vittalacharya Sunil
- D. Manpreet Singh

Answer: D

Explanation: Indian midfielder Manpreet Singh will be captain of the 18-member Indian team at the 5th edition of Asian Men's Hockey Champions Trophy 2018, which is scheduled to be held in Muscat, Oman from October 18 to 28. This is India's first tournament after the retirement of Sardar Singh. The tournament will feature host nation Oman, reigning champions India, Malaysia, Pakistan, South Korea, and Japan.

Question8: Indian Ports Association (IPA) has appointed which company as Managed Service Provider for Mumbai Port Trust, Kolkata Port Trust, Chennai Port Trust, Deendayal Port Trust and Paradip Port Trust?

- A. Infosys
- B. TCS
- C. Tech Mahindra
- D. Wipro

Answer: C

Explanation: Indian Ports Association (IPA) has appointed M/s Tech Mahindra as the Managed Service Provider for 5 major ports: Mumbai Port Trust, Kolkata Port Trust, Chennai Port Trust, Deendayal Port Trust and Paradip Port Trust. M/s Tech Mahindra has partnered with M/s SAP, M/s Envision, M/s CISCO, M/s Dell, M/s RTCom etc. IPA has also hired M/s Ernst Young to support in conceptualizing Port-EBS (Enterprise Business System) and support IPA and ports to implement this initiative. The Enterprise Business System will consist of Port Operations Solution, standard ERP solutions, and auxiliary solutions.

Question 9: Who among the following sworn in as the 46th Chief Justice Of India?

- A. Uday Lalit
- B. Madan Lokur
- C. Ranjan Gogoi
- D. Arjan Kumar Sikri

Answer: C

Explanation: Justice Ranjan Gogoi has sworn-in as new Chief Justice of India. President Ram Nath Kovind administered him the oath of office at a function in Rashtrapati Bhawan. He is succeeding Justice Dipak Misra who retired as Chief Justice of India recently. Justice Gogoi is the 46th Chief Justice of India. He will have a tenure of a little over 13 months and will retire on November 17, 2019. Justice Gogoi was enrolled as an advocate in 1978. He practised in the Gauhati high court on constitutional, taxation and company matters. He was appointed as a permanent judge of the Gauhati high court on February 28, 2001.

Question10: This university from Haryana declared as the Cleanest Government University by HRD Ministry.

- A. Kurukshetra University
- B. Chaudhary Ranbir Singh University
- C. Maharshi Dayanand University
- D. Maharishi Markandeshwar University

Answer: C

Explanation: Union Human Resource Development Minister Prakash Javadekar announced the "Swachh Campus rankings" under various categories. The rankings were decided on the basis of a survey under the 'Swachhta Hi Sewa' campaign. The Cleanest 'Government Universities' are;

1. Maharshi Dayanand University, Haryana.
2. Guru Nanak Dev University in Amritsar, Punjab.
3. Institute of Liver and Biliary Sciences (ILBS), New Delhi.