

[CURRENT AFFAIRS – 5-SEP- 2018]

Question 1. The multi-nation tsunami mock exercise (drill) "IOWave18" has started in

- A) Bay of Bengal
- B) Pacific Ocean
- C) Indian Ocean
- D) Atlantic Ocean

Correct Answer: C

Explanation: The major Indian ocean-wide tsunami mock exercise (drill) "IOWave18" has started from September 4, which is being organized by the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) of UNESCO. The purpose of the 2-day exercise is to increase tsunami preparedness, evaluate response capabilities in each state and improve coordination throughout the region. It will also enhance tsunami preparedness at the community level. The IOWave18 exercise will simulate Indian Ocean countries being put in a tsunami warning situation and require the National Tsunami Warning Centre (NTWC), i.e., INCOIS in case of India, and the National and Local Disaster Management Offices (NDMO/LDMO) to implement their Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs). India along with 23 other nations is participating in the tsunami mock exercise that would involve evacuation of thousands of people from coastal areas in over half a dozen states.

Question2. Which US company hit \$1 trillion in market capitalisation recently, after Apple?

- A) Berkshire Hathaway
- B) McKesson Corporation
- C) Amazon
- D) Walmart

Correct Answer: C

Explanation: World's richest man Jeff Bezos-led e-commerce major Amazon became the 2nd publicly traded US company to hit \$1 trillion in market capitalisation after iPhone maker Apple. Amazon stock has more than doubled in the last 12 months and has gained more than 70% in 2018.

Question3. Which insurance company launched 'E@Secure', a Cyber Insurance Policy for individuals.

- A) HDFC ERGO General Insurance Company
- B) Bajaj Allianz General Insurances
- C) Star Health and Allied Insurance
- D) Apollo Munich Health Insurance

Correct Answer: A

Explanation: HDFC ERGO General Insurance Company announced the launch of 'E@Secure', a Cyber Insurance Policy for individuals. E@Secure policy offers comprehensive protection to individuals and their families including children, against cyber-attacks, cyber frauds or digital

threats that might cause financial loss or reputational loss. This policy offers protection against cyber risks and frauds performed from any device and from any location of the world. Cyber risks like unauthorized online transactions, phishing and email spoofing, e-extortion, identity theft, damage to e-reputation and cyber-bullying are covered.

Question4. Who plans to introduce the Draft rules for e-pharmacies to regulate online sale of medicines?

- A) Health Ministry
- B) Medical Council of India
- C) Ministry of AYUSH
- D) National AIDS Control Organisation

Correct Answer: A

Explanation: The Health ministry notified that the online e-pharmacies will have to adhere to the set of new draft rules regarding selling of drugs through the internet. It includes online pharmacies should be registered with the Central Drugs Standard Control Organization (CDSCO), The grant of registration to the Central Licensing Authority of Central Government for a sum of Rs 50,000. It also banned sale of narcotics, psychotropic drugs and tranquillizers.

Question5. Who signed agreements, equipment manufacturers and startup to boost manufacturing of ICT, IoT and Defence Technology: recently?

- A) Power Grid Corporation of India
- B) HAL
- C) BHEL
- D) ITI Limited

Correct Answer: D

Explanation: On the sidelines of the first edition of ITI's two-day 'ICT & IoT Startup Tech Expo' in Bengaluru, ITI Limited signed agreements equipment manufacturers and startups. To manufacture a wide range of ICT-IOT based solutions. The agreements signed include; civil and military advanced radar systems, advanced edge router systems, next generation 5G technology products. This would help in testing of imported and indigenous telecom equipment in India.

Question6. Name the bank which bank opened portal to claim education loan interest subsidy.

- A) ICICI Bank
- B) Yes Bank
- C) Axis Bank
- D) Canara bank

Correct Answer: D

Explanation: The Canara bank opened a portal to claim education loan interest subsidy for the financial year 2017-18. The Portal will be opened till 28, 2018. This is under the Central sector

interest subsidy (CSIS) scheme implemented by the Union Ministry of HRD which was started in 2009. Full interest subsidy is provided to the eligible students for the course period plus one year for loans up to Rs.7.5 lakh and This is applicable to students from an Economically Weaker section having parental income upto Rs.4.5lakhper annum.

Question7. This country will host the International Women Entrepreneurs Summit (IWES) 2018?

- A) Nepal
- B) India
- C) Bhutan
- D) Sri Lanka

Correct Answer: A

Explanation: Nepal is hosting the International Women Entrepreneurs Summit (IWES) 2018 in Kathmandu with theme "Equality begins with Economic Empowerment" from September 3. The main purpose of the 3-day summit is to bring together achievers, women business leaders, professionals, international service providers, resource organizations, experts, government representatives and other stakeholders with a focus on innovative economic transformation through discussions and collaborations. The delegates from the SAARC, ASEAN, EU, Africa, Arab countries and China participating in the summit. The event is organised by the South Asian Women Development Forum (SAWDF).

Question8. The Government of India (GoI) has provided first-ever financial support to which International sporting event for participation in England?

- A) Bridge
- B) Equestrian
- C) Kabaddi
- D) Kho Kho

Correct Answer: D

Explanation: Union Minister of State for Youth Affairs and Sports (I/C) Col Rajyavardhan Rathore has approved the participation of Kho Kho team from India at the First International Kho Kho Championship in England from 1st to 4th September, 2018, with financial support from the Government of India (GoI). Financial support for participation of the Kho Kho team in an International event has been approved for the first time in relaxation of extant guidelines of the Ministry which, inter-alia, lay down that sports disciplines like Kho Kho, which are categorised as "Others", will not be eligible for financial support for participation in International sporting events. The decision to provide financial support to the Kho Kho Federation of India has been taken with a view not only to give fillip to this traditional Indian sports and sportspersons but also to pave the way for its future mainstreaming at the International level and its possible inclusion in multi-disciplinary sporting events like the Asian Games, Commonwealth Games, Olympics, etc.

Question9. Which Pair become the first set of Indian shooters to secure quota places for the 2020 Tokyo Olympics?

- A) Apurvi Chandela and Ravi Kumar
- B) Heena Sidhu and Shreyasi Singh
- C) Anjum Moudgil and Apurvi Chandela
- D) Anisa Sayyed and Rahi Sarnobat

Correct Answer: C

Explanation: Anjum Moudgil and Apurvi Chandela became the first set of Indian shooters to secure quota places for the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. Moudgil finished 2nd on the podium and won a silver in the women's 10m air rifle event of the ISSF's World Championship 2018 in Changwon, South Korea on September 3. Chandela finished 4th in the same event. This is the premier tournament of the ISSF and assumes added significance as it is the first Olympic quota event for the Tokyo Games, offering as many as 60 berths across 15 events. Though the two shooters have secured quotas, as per the stated policy, the National Rifle Association of India(NRAI) will take the final call on selection. This will be based on the aggregate scores of shooters leading up to the Olympic Games.

Question10. Centre has released how much amount for 10 states along the international borders for developing forward areas as a part of Border Area Development Programme (BADP) for 2018-19?

- A) Rs 568.70 crore
- B) Rs 399.44 crore
- C) Rs 889.78 crore
- D) Rs 234.90 crore

Correct Answer: B

Explanation: Centre released Rs 399.44 crore for 10 states along the international borders for developing forward areas as a part of Border Area Development Programme (BADP) for 2018-19. This is a part of Rs 1,100 crore released in 2017-18 for development of villages along the international borders in 17 states. Rs 399.44 crore has been released to the following states of: Jammu and Kashmir, Assam, Himachal Pradesh, Manipur, Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and West Bengal.