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Question1. India-Sri Lanka joint exercise begins in Sri Lanka recently, it is named as;

- A. LAMITYE-2018
- B. MILAN-2018
- C. SLINEX-2018
- D. IMCOR-2018

Correct Answer: C

Explanation: Indian navy ships and aircraft have arrived in Sri Lanka to take part in the joint exercise SLINEX-2018 to be held with Sri Lankan navy at Trincomalee. The exercise which was previously held biannually has been converted to an annual event from this year to enhance cooperation in the maritime domain and to further strengthen mutual trust and interoperability between the two navies. The scope of the week-long exercise has been significantly increased this year with three ships, two maritime patrol aircraft and one helicopter participating from the Indian side. Sri Lanka Air Force personnel would also join in the exercise for the first time.

Question2. The 6th edition of the biennial Bengaluru Space Expo was inaugurated by;

- A. Tapan Misra
- B. Dr.K Sivan
- C. A. S. Kiran Kumar
- D. B. N. Suresh

Correct Answer: B

Explanation: The 6th edition of the biennial Bengaluru Space Expo was inaugurated by ISRO Chairman Dr.K Sivan in Bengaluru, Karnataka. The three-day event showcased industry participation in Indian space programme. ISRO Chairman Dr K Sivan addressed that the ISRO wants to offer manufacturing of PSLV and small satellite launch vehicles along with small satellites to private industries. A sum of 10,400 crore rupees is earmarked for manufacturing of PSLV launch vehicle out of which 9000 crore rupees worth production will be given to private industries. France will provide space medicines for Indian astronauts who will be part of India's first Manned Space Mission Gaganyaan.

Question3. India partners in the 87th Izmir International tradeshow at _____.

- A. Turkey
- B. Russia
- C. Israel
- D. France

Correct Answer: A

Explanation: India is the Partner Country in the 87th Izmir International tradeshow which begins in Turkey. In this tradeshow India will also be launching a mega business pavilion 'Source India' hosting 75 Indian companies with the aim of tie-ups in order to increase India's exports to Turkey and other neighbouring countries. The 87th Izmir International tradeshow will be held in Izmir - the third most populous city in Turkey, after Istanbul and Ankara.

Question4. Google launched a new search engine for scientists, data journalists. It is called as;

- A. GenieKnows
- B. Search Encrypt
- C. Searchmedica
- D. Dataset Search

Correct Answer: D

Explanation: Google launched a new search engine called 'Dataset Search', which works in multiple languages, to help scientists, data journalists and others find data required for their work. The new search engine will work like Google Scholar, the company's popular search engine for academic studies and reports.

Question5. This country plans to participate in the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) after 9-years boycott.

- A. Malaysia
- B. India
- C. Greece
- D. Iceland

Correct Answer: B

Explanation: The Human Resource Development (HRD) Ministry has officially decided to participate in the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA), after a gap of nine years. PISA is an assessment test for 15-year-olds, organised every three years by the Organisation for Economic Cooperation Development (OECD), Paris, France. It was started in 2000 with about 43 states participating, and its latest edition in 2015 saw participation from 73 countries. India is applying with Kendriya Vidyalayas, Navodaya Vidyalayas, and all schools, private and government, in Chandigarh for the 2021 test. The whole application process takes three years.

Question6. Which Indian metro has become the second-most unaffordable transport network in the world after Hanoi in Vietnam?

- A. Delhi
- B. Kolkata
- C. Bengaluru
- D. Gurugram

Correct Answer: A

Explanation: A study by the Centre for Science and Environment (CSE) has found that after the fare hike last year, Delhi metro has become the second-most unaffordable transport network in the world after Hanoi in Vietnam. The affordability is defined as the percentage of commuters' total income spent on travel. Last year, the Metro fares almost doubled after two hikes in May and October. The maximum fares escalated from Rs 30 to Rs 50 and then to Rs 60.

Question7. Which state cabinet has recommended the dissolution of the State Legislative Assembly?

- A. Rajasthan
- B. Telangana
- C. Haryana
- D. Pondicherry

Correct Answer: B

Explanation: The Telangana State Cabinet has recommended the dissolution of the State Legislative Assembly. The decision was taken at a meeting of the State Cabinet that was chaired by Chief Minister K Chandrashekhar Rao. Elections to the Telangana Assembly were held in April and May of 2014 as part of the polls to the Assembly of the then united Andhra Pradesh.

Question8. The National Green Tribunal (NGT) has formed a monitoring committee to prepare a time-bound action plan on groundwater recharge in Delhi. Who is the head of the committee?

- A. Bandaru Dattatreya
- B. P Kumar
- C. S P Garg
- D. Kirit Somaiya

Correct Answer: C

Explanation: The National Green Tribunal (NGT) has formed a monitoring committee to prepare a time-bound action plan on groundwater recharge in Delhi. The committee will be headed by Justice (retd) S P Garg. The committee will comprise one representative each from the Delhi Jal Board, Central Pollution Control Board, Central Ground Water Authority and Sub-Divisional Magistrate (SDM) concerned.

Question9. Who inaugurated India's first Global Mobility summit 'MOVE' in New Delhi?

- A. Smt Sushma Swaraj
- B. Shri Arun Jaitley
- C. Shri Rajnath Singh
- D. Shri Narendra Modi

Correct Answer: D

Explanation: Prime Minister Modi inaugurated India's first Global Mobility summit 'MOVE' in New Delhi. Comprehensive discussions along 5 themes took place ranging from electrification and alternative fuels and reinventing public transport. The two-day meet of stakeholders has been organised by the NITI Aayog. The summit deliberated on 5 themes, comprehensive: electrification & alternative fuels, reinventing public transport, goods transport & logistics and data analytics and mobility. The main focus of the summit is to make cities of India pollution free.

Question10. The government of India has doubled the monetary limit upto this amount for filing loan recovery application in the Debt Recovery Tribunals (DRT).

- A. 13 lakh
- B. 15 lakh
- C. 18 lakh
- D. 20 lakh

Correct Answer: D

Explanation: The government of India has doubled the monetary limit to 20 lakh rupees for filing loan recovery application in the Debt Recovery Tribunals (DRT) by banks and financial institutions. As per the Finance Ministry, the move is aimed at helping reduce pendency of cases in DRTs. There are 39 DRTs in the country. To make the tribunals more effective and to facilitate fast

disposal of debt recovery cases, the government has made several amendments in different laws, including the SARFAESI Act.

