

[CURRENT AFFAIRS – 8-SEP- 2018]

Question1. Who among the following has been selected as the next chief economic advisor of India?

- A) Montek Singh Ahluwali
- B) Y. Venugopal Reddy
- C) C. Rangarajan
- D) Bimal Jalan

Correct. Answer: D

Explanation: The Union Government has appointed former Reserve Bank of India governor Bimal Jalan as the head of the panel that has been tasked with selecting India's next chief economic advisor (CEA). The panel will screen the applications received and conduct interviews. The move comes two months after the government sought applications for the post after previous CEA Arvind Subramanian resigned from office.

Question 2: Which online firm announces a new AI Technology to fight online child sexual abuse?

- A) Yahoo
- B) Facebook
- C) Google
- D) TikTok

Correct Answer: C

Explanation: Google announced launch of a new artificial Intelligence (AI) technology to curb online spreading of contents involving child sexual abuse. The advanced AI technology uses deep neural networks for image processing that will enable identification of child sexual abuse material (CSAM) online. The new tool will be made available for free to non-governmental organisations (NGOs) and other industry partners through a new Content Safety API service.

Question 3: _____ is the theme of 2018 International Literacy Day.

- A) Literacy in a digital world
- B) Literacy and skills development
- C) Literacy and Health
- D) Literacy and Peace

Correct: Answer: B

Explanation: International Literacy Day, celebrated annually on 8 September, is an opportunity for Governments, civil society and stakeholders to highlight improvements in world literacy rates, and reflect on the world's remaining literacy challenges. This year's theme is 'Literacy and skills development'.

Question 4: The three-day World Hindu Congress begins in which city of USA?

- A) Chicago
- B) New York
- C) Washington
- D) Atlanta

Correct Answer: A

Explanation: The three-day World Hindu Congress has begun in Chicago, the USA. Over 2000 delegates from across the globe are participating in this mega event. The theme of World Hindu Congress is 'think collectively, achieve valiantly'.

Question 5: Which state/union territory has topped the National Clean School Award 2018 list with 7 schools?

- A) Puducherry
- B) Tamil Nadu
- C) Andhra Pradesh
- D) Goa

Correct Answer: A

Explanation: Union Ministry of Human Resource Development launched the National Clean School Award 2018 prepared by National Institute of Cleanliness Education and Research (NICER). Puducherry tops the list of the rankings by having 7 schools in the award list for cleanliness.

Question 6: Who wins the gold medal in the 10m air rifle junior men's event of the ISSF World Championships in South Korea?

- A) Mohammed Amir Nekounam
- B) Junchen Pan
- C) Hriday Hazarika
- D) Joon Hyuk Lee

Correct Answer: C

Explanation: Indian shooter Hriday Hazarika notched up a gold medal in the 10 m air rifle junior men's event of the ISSF World Championships in South Korea. Hazarika, the lone Indian to qualify for the final with a score of 627.3, was tied with Iran's Mohammed Amir Nekounam on 250.1 once the field was pruned to the regulation top eight.

Question 7: This country built the world's tallest timber tower named Mjos Tower?

- A) Japan
- B) Russia
- C) Norway
- D) Egypt

Correct Answer: C

Explanation: Norway has built the world's tallest timber tower named Mjos Tower. It is environmentally friendly and fire resistant. It is situated near and named after a lake located about 100km north of Oslo. It has a height of 85.4 m and 18 floors.

Question 8: Union Minister of Human Resource Development Prakash Javadekar released a book named as "Experiential Learning - Gandhiji's Nai Talim" on which date?

- A) September 5
- B) August 30
- C) September 2
- D) August 26

Correct Answer: A

Explanation: A book named "Experiential Learning - Gandhiji's Nai Talim" (basic education) was released by Union Minister of Human Resource Development Prakash Javadekar, on the occasion of National Teachers' Day. It is Developed by: Universities in the state, state SCERT (State Council of Educational Research and Training) and Mahatma Gandhi National Council of Rural Education (MGNCRE) and Launched in 13 languages: Assamese, Tamil, Bengali, Odiya, Kannada, Malyalam, Punjabi, Marathi, Telugu, Gujarati, Urdu, Hindi and English.

Question 9: The Indian Air Force successfully carried first-ever mid-air refuelling recently, it is named as;

- A) Mirage 2000
- B) Sukhoi Su-30MKI
- C) MiG-21
- D) Tejas MK I

Correct Answer: D

Explanation: Indian Air Force for the first time successfully conducted mid-air refuelling of Tejas MK I fighter jet by Indian Air Force's Russian built Il-78 tanker. Dry link up means no fuel was transferred between the 2 aircrafts. The tanker was launched from IAF's base in Agra while LCA Tejas fighter was launched from Gwalior. Nine more tests will be held including the wet tests where the actual transfer of fuel will take place.

Question 10: Which financial institution has launched S&P BSE Private Banks Index to measure the performance of private banks?

- A) England Stock Exchange
- B) Asia Index Pvt Ltd
- C) National Stock Exchange
- D) Bharat Finance Limited

Correct Answer: B

Explanation: Asia Index Pvt Ltd launched S&P BSE Private Banks Index to measure the performance of private banks. It is drawn from the constituents of the S&P BSE Finance Index, the Asia's oldest exchange. This index would measure the performance of private banks listed in India. The index is calculated in Indian Rupees and US Dollar and is calculated real-time by BSE.

Question 11: Name the Indian actor who was made as the first honorary ambassador of Lal Bahadur Shastri Memorial Foundation.

- A) Mohanlal
- B) Akshay Kumar
- C) Amitabh Bachchan
- D) Kamal Haasan

Correct Answer: B

Explanation: Actor Akshay Kumar was made the first honorary ambassador of Lal Bahadur Shastri Memorial Foundation. Lal Bahadur Shastri Memorial Foundation was founded by the family of India's second Prime Minister, Lal Bahadur Shastri. His grandson Vinamra Shastri, is the current

president of the foundation. Akshay Kumar will support the 'Jai Jawan Jai Kisan' motto for the welfare of the soldier (jawan) and the farmer (kisan).

Question12:Which country's navy has won the KAKADU Cup 2018 in Australia during the KAKADU multilateral maritime exercise?

- A) South Korea
- B) India
- C) China
- D) United States

Correct Answer: B

Explanation: The Indian Navy has won the coveted KAKADU Cup 2018 in Australia while taking part in the KAKADU multilateral maritime exercise. It was held in the coast of Darwin with 3000 personnel from 27 countries. From the Indian side INS Sahyadri took part on the exercise.

