1) Which of the following state government has announced lifetime monthly pension of Rs 10,000 for 'Hindi Satyagrahis' and those from the state who were jailed during the Emergency?
   a) Madhya Pradesh
   b) Haryana
   c) Uttar Pradesh
   d) Rajasthan
   e) Arunachal Pradesh
   **Answer:** b
   **Explanation:** The state government of Haryana has announced lifetime monthly pension of Rs 10,000 for 'Hindi Satyagrahis' and those from the state who were jailed during the Emergency.

2) Which of the following person topped the Forbes list of top-earning dead celebrities for the fifth straight year?
   a) Arnold Palmer
   b) Charles Schulz
   c) Essebsi Jas
   d) Michael Jackson
   e) Bruce Lee
   **Answer:** d
   **Explanation:** Michael Jackson Named Top-Earning Dead Celebrity for 5th Time.

3) Suresh Chukkapalli Appointed as Consul General of which of the following country?
   a) Iran
   b) Republic of Korea
   c) Iraq
   **Answer:** b
   **Explanation:** Suresh Chukkapalli, Chairman of Phoenix Group of Hyderabad, has been appointed as Honorary Consul General in Hyderabad by the Republic of Korea, with consular jurisdiction over the state of Telangana.

4) Bharti AXA Life recently appoints which of the following person as CEO?
   a) Vikas Seth
   b) Rana Kapoor
   c) Rajiv Menon
   d) Gangadharan
   e) Neelavathy
   **Answer:** a
   **Explanation:** Bharti AXA Life Insurance, a joint venture between Bharti Enterprises and AXA, has appointed Vikas Seth as Chief Executive Officer.

5) Martina Hingis Announces Retirement from Pro Tennis, she belongs to which of the following country?
   a) Switzerland
   b) Spain
   c) Germany
   d) England
   e) United States of America
   **Answer:** a
   **Explanation:** Martina Hingis is from Switzerland.

6) Which of the following city recently hosted the 9th Global Green Film Fest?
7). According to a newly-formed Gender Vulnerability Index (GVI) by NGO Plan India which of the following state is the safest?
   a) Tamil Nadu
   b) Karnataka
   c) Kerala
   d) Gujarat
   e) Goa

   **Answer:** e) Goa

   **Explanation:** Goa is safest for girls, according to a newly-formed Gender Vulnerability Index (GVI) by NGO Plan India.

8). According to a newly-formed Gender Vulnerability Index (GVI) by NGO Plan India which of the following state is the least safe?
   a) Andhra Pradesh
   b) Bihar
   c) Odisha
   d) Sikkim
   e) Gujarat

   **Answer:** b) Bihar

   **Explanation:** Bihar least safe, according to a newly-formed Gender Vulnerability Index (GVI) by NGO Plan India.

9). China-sponsored Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) approved USD 2 million loan (Rs. 13,000 crores) for five projects in which of the following country?
   a) Andhra Pradesh
   b) Tamil Nadu
   c) Karnataka
   d) Kerala
   e) Gujarat

   **Answer:** a) Andhra Pradesh

   **Explanation:** China-sponsored Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) approved USD 2 million loan (Rs. 13,000 crores) for five projects in Andhra Pradesh.

10). Ajay Bisaria Named India's Next High Commissioner to which of the following country?
   a) Sudan
   b) Pakistan
   c) China
   d) Japan
   e) Iran

   **Answer:** b) Pakistan

   **Explanation:** Ajay Bisaria Named India’s Next High Commissioner to Pakistan.

11). Which of the following state recently decided to make India's first conservation reserve for blackbuck in their state?
   a) Uttar Pradesh
   b) Tamil Nadu
   c) Kerala
   d) Andhra Pradesh
   e) Sikkim

   **Answer:** a) Uttar Pradesh

   **Explanation:** Uttar Pradesh cabinet decided to make India's first conservation reserve for blackbuck in Allahabad's Meja.

12). Walmart India launched its first fulfillment centre in which of the following city?
   a) Kochi
   b) Mumbai
   c) Goa
   d) Hyderabad
   e) Kolkata

   **Answer:** b) Mumbai

   **Explanation:** Walmart India launched its first fulfillment centre in Mumbai.
13). Maris Kucinskis is the present Prime Minister of which of the following country?
   a) Hungary
   b) Czech Republic
   c) Sudan
   d) Cuba
   e) Latvia
   Answer: e)
   Explanation: Present Prime Minister of Latvia is Maris Kucinskis

14). "PRABAL DOSTYK – 2017" between the Indian Army and the ______ Army commenced with the Opening Ceremony at Bakloh, Himachal Pradesh recently?
   a) Sri Lanka
   b) Kazakhstan
   c) Nepal
   d) Israel
   e) US
   Answer: b)
   Explanation: "PRABAL DOSTYK – 2017" between the Indian Army and the Kazakhstan Army commenced with the Opening Ceremony at Bakloh, Himachal Pradesh

15). Phnom Penh is the capital of which of the following country?
   a) Cambodia
   b) Myanmar
   c) Vietnam
   d) Philippines
   e) None of the above
   Answer: a)
   Explanation: Phnom Penh is the capital of Cambodia

16). Sankara Narayanan Takes Charge as MD & CEO of which of the following bank recently?
   a) Indian Bank
   b) Vijaya Bank
   c) Indian Overseas Bank
   d) Canara Bank
   e) Syndicate Bank
   Answer: b)
   Explanation: Sankara Narayanan Takes Charge as MD & CEO of Vijaya Bank.

17). Which of the following person has been Elected as New PTI Chairman?
   a) Viveck Goenka
   b) Rajiv Sukla
   c) Chakravarthy Pandey
   d) Subramaniam
   e) Pawan Kumar Agarwal
   Answer: a)
   Explanation: Viveck Goenka has been Elected as New PTI Chairman

18). Budapest is the capital of which of the following Country?
   a) Czech Republic
   b) Croatia
   c) Hungary
   d) Ukraine
   e) Slovakia
   Answer: c)
   Explanation: Budapest is the capital of Hungary.

19). Which of the following person is the present governor of Andaman and Nicobar?
   a) Vidyasagar Rao
   b) B D Mishra
   c) Padmanabha Acharya
   d) Devendra Kumar Joshi
   e) Ganga Prasad
   Answer: d)
   Explanation: Devendra Kumar Joshi is the present governor of Andaman and Nicobar
20). Which of the following person is the present CM of Kerala?
   a) Vijay Rupani
   b) T.T.V Dinakaran
   c) Palanisamy
   d) Sathasivam
   e) Pinarayi Vijayan
Answer: e)
Explanation: Pinarayi Vijayan is the present CM of Kerala

21). The World Tsunami Awareness Day was observed across the world on which of the following day?
   a) 1st November
   b) 2nd November
   c) 3rd November
   d) 4th November
   e) 5th November
Answer: e)
Explanation: The World Tsunami Awareness Day was observed across the world on 5 November

22). What is the theme for The World Tsunami Awareness Day 2017?
   a) 'Reduce the Number of Affected People'
   b) 'Reduce the fear of People'
   c) 'Help the Affected People'
   d) 'Guide the People about Tsunami'
   e) 'Build the safety measure'
Answer: a)
Explanation: The theme for 2017 WTAD is 'Reduce the Number of Affected People'.

23). Which of the following country recently unveiled Asia's largest artificial island-building ship?
   a) Japan
   b) India
   c) China
   d) South Korea
   e) North Korea
Answer: c)
Explanation: China unveiled Asia’s largest artificial island-building ship

24). Indian Air Force, along with the DRDO successfully tested an indigenously developed lightweight ‘Glide’ bomb recently. Where is the headquarters of DRDO?
   a) Chennai
   b) Hyderabad
   c) Bengaluru
   d) Mumbai
   e) New Delhi
Answer: e)
Explanation: DRDO headquarters is in New Delhi

25). Which of the following private sector bank signed an agreement with the government to provide Rs 1,000 crore financing for food processing projects?
   a) ICICI Bank
   b) Axis Bank
   c) HDFC Bank
   d) Yes Bank
   e) South Indian Bank
Answer: d)
Explanation: Private sector lender Yes Bank signed an agreement with the government to provide Rs 1,000 crore financing for food processing projects.

26). Saad al-Hariri is the Prime Minister of which of the following country recently resigned from his post?
   a) Lebanon
   b) Sudan
   c) Iran
   d) Iraq
   e) Afghanistan
Answer: a)
Explanation: Lebanese Prime Minister Saad al-Hariri resigned from his post

27). Beirut is the capital of which of the following country?

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a) Lebanon
b) Sweden
c) Iran
d) Iraq
e) Afghanistan

Answer: a)
Explanation: Beirut is the capital of Lebanon

28). Which of the following person is the minister for AYUSH?
   a) Ram vilas Paswan
   b) Smriti Zubin Irani
   c) Shripad Yasso Naik
   d) Ram Naik
   e) Guru Gobind

Answer: c)
Explanation: Minister of AYUSH - Shripad Yasso Naik

29). Which of the following person is the present Defence Minister of India?
   a) Suresh Prabhu
   b) Manohar Parrikar
   c) Nirmala Sitharaman
   d) Narendra Modi
   e) Piyush Goyal

Answer: c)
Explanation: Nirmala Sitharaman is the present Defence Minister of India

30). Which of the following person is the present governor of Maharashtra?
   a) P Sathasivam
   b) Anil Baijal
   c) Om Prakash Kohli
   d) Ram Naik
   e) Vidyasagar Rao

Answer: e)
Explanation: Vidyasagar Rao is the present governor of Maharashtra

31). Annual ‘Balijatra’ festival has been celebrated in which of the following state on the banks of river Mahanadi?
   a) Gujarat
   b) West Bengal
   c) Bihar
   d) Odisha
   e) Madhya Pradesh

Answer: d)
Explanation: Annual ‘Balijatra’ festival celebrated in Odisha on the banks of river Mahanadi

32). Which of the following firm has established India’s largest Coke Dry Quenching (CDQ) facility recently?
   a) Adani Industries
   b) Tata Steel
   c) Reliance Metals
   d) BHEL
   e) ONGC

Answer: b)
Explanation: Tata Steel has established India’s largest Coke Dry Quenching (CDQ) facility

33). Which of the following Bank recently announced the launch of India’s first voice-based international remittance service?
   a) SBI
   b) ICICI Bank
   c) Axis Bank
   d) HDFC Bank
   e) Yes Bank

Answer: b)
Explanation: ICICI Bank announced the launch of India’s first voice-based international remittance service

34). Which of the following person has become the first woman to be appointed as senior Deputy Director General, Tamil Nadu, Telecom Enforcement Resource Monitoring (TERM), Department of Telecommunications (DoT)?
35). Which of the following person is the present Union Cabinet Minister of Food Processing?
   a) Ram Vilas Paswan  
   b) Harsh Vardhan  
   c) Uma Bharathi  
   d) Harsimrat Kaur Badal  
   e) Rajnath Singh
Answer: d)
Explanation: Union Cabinet Minister of Food Processing - Harsimrat Kaur Badal

36). Sri Ranganathaswamy Temple of Srirangam recently won UNESCO Asia Pacific Award of Merit 2017, it is located in which of the following state?
   a) Karnataka  
   b) Kerala  
   c) Tamil Nadu  
   d) Odisha  
   e) Andhra Pradesh
Answer: c)
Explanation: Sri Ranganathaswamy Temple of Srirangam in Tamil Nadu won UNESCO Asia Pacific Award of Merit 2017

37). Indian Railways Launches Main Arch on World’s Highest Bridge on The river Chenab in which of the following state?
   a) Himachal Pradesh  
   b) Arunachal Pradesh  
   c) Jammu and Kashmir  
   d) Sikkim  
   e) Mizoram
Answer: c)
Explanation: Indian Railways Launches Main Arch on World’s Highest Bridge on The river Chenab in Jammu and Kashmir’s Reasi district

38). India and which of the following country’s Joint Military Combat Exercise 'Sampriti' Begins recently?
   a) Bangladesh  
   b) Nepal  
   c) Sri Lanka  
   d) Bhutan  
   e) Japan
Answer: a)
Explanation: India, Bangladesh Joint Military Combat Exercise 'Sampriti' Begins

39). Lima is the capital of which of the following country?
   a) Peru  
   b) Hungary  
   c) Croatia  
   d) Cuba  
   e) Mexico
Answer: a)
Explanation: Lima is the capital of Peru

40). Which of the following person is the present governor of Karnataka?
   a) Vidyasagar Rao  
   b) Om Prakash Kohli  
   c) Ram Naik  
   d) Vajubhai Rudabhai Vala  
   e) P Sathasivam
Answer: d)
Explanation: Vajubhai Rudabhai Vala is the present governor of Karnataka.
41). Which state is the first state to use EVMs with VVPAT machines on all booths during assembly elections?
   a) Gujarat
   b) Himachal Pradesh
   c) Maharashtra
   d) Punjab
   e) Madya Pradesh

   **Explanation:** Himachal Pradesh is the first state to use EVMs with VVPAT machines on all booths during assembly elections.
   **Correct Answer is:** b)

42). Which insurance company was conferred with the 21st Asia Insurance Industry Awards in the “General Insurance Company of the Year” category?
   a) Apollo Munich Health Insurance
   b) Cholamandalam MS General Insurance
   c) ICICI Prudential Life Insurance
   d) Religare Health Insurance
   e) Universal Sompo General Insurance

   **Explanation:** Apollo Munich Health Insurance was conferred with the 21st Asia Insurance Industry Awards in the “General Insurance Company of the Year” category.
   **Correct Answer is:** a)

43). Who is the present Railway and Coal Minister of India?
   a) Suresh Prabhu
   b) Nitin Gadkari
   c) Dharmendra Pradhan
   d) Harsh Vardhan
   e) Piyush Goyal

   **Explanation:** Railway and Coal Minister Piyush Goyal has launched ‘Grahak Sadak Koyla Vitaran App’ benefitting customers of Coal India Limited (CIL)

44). Which company partners with Ola to build a new connected vehicle platform for car manufacturers across the globe?
   a) Apple
   b) Intel
   c) Samsung
   d) Microsoft
   e) HCL

   **Explanation:** Microsoft, Ola is building a new connected vehicle platform for car manufacturers worldwide.
   **Correct Answer is:** d)

45). Which of the following city is the third Indian city on the list of UNESCO Creative Cities list after Jaipur and Varanasi?
   a) Pune
   b) Agra
   c) Amritsar
   d) Madurai
   e) Chennai

   **Explanation:** Chennai is the third Indian city on the list of UNESCO Creative Cities list after Jaipur and Varanasi.
   **Correct Answer is:** e)

46). Which country conducted a flight test of its indigenously designed and developed long-range subsonic cruise missile ‘Nirbhay’?
   a) India
   b) China
   c) Pakistan
   d) Sri Lanka
   e) China
**Explanation:** India conducted a flight test of its indigenously designed and developed long-range sub-sonic cruise missile ‘Nirbhay’.

Correct Answer is: a)

47). Which state inked an MoU with Intel and UST Global for exploring the possibility of transforming the state into an electronic hardware manufacturing hub?

a) Maharashtra  
b) Uttar Pradesh  
c) Haryana  
d) Kerala  
e) Telangana

**Explanation:** Kerala state government inked an MoU with Intel and UST Global for exploring the possibility of transforming the state into an electronic hardware manufacturing hub.

Correct Answer is: d)

48). Which country signs loan agreement for "OHEPEE" project with World Bank for US $119 Million?

a) Japan  
b) Nepal  
c) India  
d) China  
e) Bangladesh

**Explanation:** India signs loan agreement for “OHEPEE” project with World Bank for US $119 Million.

Correct Answer is: c)

49). Who among the following person has been designated as the new Finance Secretary?

a) Nripendra Mishra  
b) Hasmukh Adhia  
c) Anup Kumar Thakur  
d) Ravindra Singh  
e) Ashok Lavasa

**Explanation:** Revenue Secretary Hasmukh Adhia has been designated as the new Finance Secretary.

Correct Answer is: b)

50). Asian Women’s Boxing Championships held in which of the following country?

a) Thailand  
b) China  
c) Germany  
d) Spain  
e) Vietnam

**Explanation:** M.C. Mary Kom (48kg) notched up her fifth gold medal at the Asian Women’s Boxing Championships in Vietnam.

Correct Answer is: e)

51). Which state government has launched “SHE PAD” a scheme to distribute free sanitary napkins to female students from classes VI to XII in all schools?

a) West Bengal  
b) Bihar  
c) Gujarat  
d) Jharkhand  
e) Kerala

**Explanation:** Kerala government has launched “SHE PAD” a scheme to distribute free sanitary napkins to female students from classes VI to XII in government as well as aided private schools.

Correct Answer is: e)

52). A new passenger train started between India and Bangladesh which runs between Kolkata and Khulna, what is the name of the train?

a) Bengal Express  
b) Dhaka Express  
c) Bandhan Express  
d) Tiger Express  
e) Indian Express
53). From which state the Minister of State for Tourism KJ Alphons was elected unopposed to the Rajya Sabha?
   a) Madya Pradesh
   b) Rajasthan
   c) Karnataka
   d) Andra Pradesh
   e) Uttar Pradesh
   **Explanation**: The Minister of State for Tourism KJ Alphons was elected unopposed to the Rajya Sabha seat from Rajasthan.
   **Correct Answer is: b)**

54). First International AYUSH Conference and Exhibition held in which city?
   a) Washington
   b) London
   c) New Delhi
   d) Dubai
   e) Beijing
   **Explanation**: Minister for AYUSH Shripad Naik and Indian Ambassador to UAE Navdeep Suri attended the inaugural ceremony of first International AYUSH Conference and Exhibition at Dubai.
   **Correct Answer is: d)**

55). Which Indian city hosts the 19th Organic World Congress 2017 Conference?
   a) Varanasi
   b) Noida
   **Explanation**: Union Minister Radha Mohan Singh inaugurated the 1st ever World organic event in India – 19th Organic World Congress 2017 held at Greater Noida, India.
   **Correct Answer is: b)**

56). Who has been named as the chairperson of the Second World Hindu Congress to be held in Chicago, USA?
   a) Tulsi Gabbard
   b) Barbara Comstock
   c) Ann Kirkpatrick
   d) Gabrielle Giffords
   e) Martha McSally
   **Explanation**: Tulsi Gabbard, the first Hindu lawmaker in the U.S. Congress, has been named as the chairperson of the Second World Hindu Congress to be held in Chicago, USA from September 7 to 9 next year.
   **Correct Answer is: a)**

57). Which payment bank has tied up with Gokul Dairy and Mother Dairy to digitise payments in the milk industry?
   a) Airtel Payments Bank
   b) Fino Payments Bank
   c) Paytm Payments Bank
   d) Indian Post Payments Bank
   e) None of these
   **Explanation**: Fino Payments Bank has tied up with Gokul Dairy and Mother Dairy to digitise payments in the milk industry.
   **Correct Answer is: b)**
58). The Government of India has notified the third protocol between India and which country for avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income?
   a) Iran
   b) Switzerland
   c) New Zealand
   d) Argentina
   e) Spain
   
   Explanation: The Government of India has notified the third protocol between India and New Zealand for avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income.
   
   Correct Answer is: c)

59). What is India’s rank in ‘business optimism’ index in September-November Quarter?
   a) 4th
   b) 13th
   c) 10th
   d) 7th
   e) 2nd
   
   Explanation: India has slipped to 7th position in ‘business optimism’ index in September-November quarter from earlier 2nd slot in the previous three months released as part of Grant Thornton’s International Business Report (IBR) showing clear signs of lag in the economy.
   
   Correct Answer is: d)

60). AIBA Youth Women’s World Boxing Championship 2017 is to be held between November 19 -26, 2017 in which city?
   a) Ranchi
   b) Bhubaneswar
   c) Indore
   d) New Delhi
   e) Guwahati
   
   Explanation: AIBA Youth Women’s World Boxing Championship 2017 is to be held between November 19 -26, 2017 in Guwahati, India.
   
   Correct Answer is: e)

61). Which of the following state’s High Court has recently cancelled the 2005 act for the appointment of parliamentary secretaries in the state?
   a) Tiripura
   b) Megelaya
   c) Mizoram
   d) Manipur
   e) Himachal Pradesh
   
   Answer: B
   
   Explanation: Meghalaya High Court has cancelled a 2005 Act for appointment of parliamentary secretaries in the state. The judgement by a division bench of Chief Justice Dinesh Maheshwari and Justice Ved Prakash Vaish came on a PIL challenging the appointment of Parliamentary Secretaries in the state.

62). Recently the second meeting of Island Development Agency (IDA) was held in New Delhi, this meeting was aimed to review the development plans of 9 islands. Which among the following is not one of the 9 islands?
   a) Minicoy
   b) Bangaram
   c) Cheriyam
   d) Smith
   e) Divar
   
   Answer: E
   
   Explanation: This meeting was chaired by Rajnath Singh. These 9 islands include four in Andaman & Nicobar Islands (Smith, Ross, Long, Avis) and five in...
Lakshadweep (Minicoy, Bangaram, Thinnakara, Cheryam,Suheli)

63). 23rd GST COUNCIL was held at?
   a) Dehradun
   b) Kolkata
   c) Chennai
   d) Guwahathi
   e) None of these

Answer : A
Explanation: The full GST council meeting headed by Union Finance minister Arun Jaitley has begun in Guwahati. The council will review the impact of the new tax regime in the first quarter of its implementation.

64). Which country had re-elected as the member of the UNESCO executive board?
   a) Italy
   b) Germany
   c) Russia
   d) India
   e) Iran

Answer: D
Explanation: India has been re-elected as the member of the UNESCO’s executive board, its top decision-making body. The election was held at the 39th session of the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation in Paris

65). Where does APEC SUMMIT 2017 was held at?
   a) Vietnam
   b) Vanuvata
   c) Vatican city
   d) Venezuela
   e) None of these

Answer: A

66). The Delhi government signed a twin city agreement with which Metropolitan Government for strengthening cooperation in the fields of e-governance, transportation?
   a) Seoul
   b) Rome
   c) Tirana
   d) Yerevan
   e) None of These

Answer: A
Explanation: The Delhi government signed a twin city agreement with the Seoul Metropolitan Government for strengthening cooperation in the fields of e-governance, transportation, climate change and smart city. The agreement 'Establishment of Friendship City Relationship' was signed between Seoul (South Korea) Metropolitan Government led by Mayor Park Won Soon and Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal. The agreement now needs the Union governments approval to come into effect.

67). Name the Organization which has recently won the Mother Teresa Award 2017 for Social Justice?
   a) UNESCO
   b) UNICEF
   c) UNHCR
   d) UNISDR
   e) None of these

Answer: C
**Explanation:** The United Nations High Commission for Refugees has been chosen for the Mother Teresa Award 2017 for social justice, to recognize its exceptional work worldwide.

**68).** Mary Kom defeated whom to win her 5th gold medal in Asian women's boxing championship which was held at Ho Chi Minh in Vietnam?

a) Tsubasa Komura  
b) Meng-Chieh Pin  
c) Kim Hyang Mi  
d) Hanna Gabries  
e) None of these

Answer: C  
**Explanation:** Five-time world champion, Mary Kom won her fifth gold medal in the 48 kg category in the Asian Women's Boxing Championships at Ho Chi Minh City in Vietnam. She played against North Korea's Kim Hyang Mi, the five-time world champion and Olympic bronze-medallist. This was Mary Kom's first international gold medal since the 2014 Asian Games and her first medal in over a year.

**70).** Recently Adani Power has signed an agreement with which country's power development board to supply electricity?

a) Myanmar  
b) Tibet  
c) Bhutan  
d) Bangladesh  
e) None of these

Answer: D  
**Explanation:** Adani Power (Jharkhand) has inked a long-term pact with Bangladesh Power Development Board (BPDB) to supply electricity from its upcoming 1,600 MW plant at Godda in Jharkhand.

**71).** Name the bank which recently got approval from RBI to open its new representative offices in Singapore and Kuwait?

a) FEDERAL BANK  
b) HDFC BANK  
c) ICICI BANK  
d) LAKSHMI VILAS BANK  
e) None of these

Answer: A  
**Explanation:** Federal Bank has obtained RBI approval to open representative offices at Kuwait and Singapore. The bank already has its representative offices in Abu Dhabi and Dubai and it has tied up with 110+ overseas banks/remittance partners.

**72).** Telangana CM has recently declared which language as the state's second official language?

a) THULUL  
b) MALAYALAM  
c) TAMIL  
d) URDU  
e) None of these

Answer: D  
**Explanation:** The 6-Day long festival will run in collaboration with the India Habitat Centre. The Nordic-Baltic countries Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway and Sweden, or NB8, are tied together geographically and historically through trade, culture, and many common value systems.
Explaination: Telangana Chief Minister K Chandrashekar Rao declared Urdu as the state's second official language. Every office in the state will now have an Urdu speaking office.

73). Who has been recently awarded with Jewish Nobel Award by Israel Government?
   a) NATALIE PORTMAN
   b) PRITI PATEL
   c) GAL GADOT
   d) BAR REFAELI
   e) None of these

Answer: A

Explanation: The $1 million award, known as “the Jewish Nobel Prize,” is granted each year to a person recognized as an inspiration to the next generation of Jews through professional achievement and commitment to Jewish values. Ms. Portman is the fifth winner and first woman to receive the prize. Natalie Portman has also been awarded Israel’s 2018 Genesis Prize in recognition of her commitment to social causes and deep connection to her Jewish and Israeli roots.

74). National Education Day was celebrated on which day?
   a) November 08
   b) November 09
   c) November 10
   d) November 11
   e) November 12

Answer: D

Explanation: National Education Day was celebrated in India on November 11 commemorating the birth anniversary of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad. The Indian scholar served as the first education minister of independent India from 1947 to 1958.

75). Who among the following persons inaugurated ‘India Disaster Response Summit’ held in New Delhi?
   a) Kiren Rijiju
   b) Kiren Bedi
   c) Kiren Kumar
   d) Kiren Jothi
   e) None of these

Answer: A

Explanation: The Union Minister of State for Home Affairs, Shri Kiren Rijiju has inaugurated the ‘India Disaster Response Summit’ in New Delhi. The summit was organized jointly by the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) and Facebook.

76). The Island Development Agency (IDA) decided to develop an airport at which island to unlock the potential of tourism?
   a) Barren Island
   b) Amini Island
   c) Minicoy Island
   d) Pitti Island
   e) None of these

Answer: C

Explanation: The Island Development Agency (IDA) decided to develop an airport at Minicoy Island in an effort to unlock the potential of tourism and the tuna fishing industry in Lakshadweep.

77). Telangana government declared which language as the state's second official language?
   a) Hindi
   b) Tamil
   c) Kannada
   d) Malayalam
   e) Urdu

Answer: E
78). Which state/union territory is going to set up ‘first responder bike ambulance’ from January?
   a) Uttar Pradesh
   b) West Bengal
   c) Delhi
   d) Puducherry
   e) None of these

Answer: C

Explanation: Starting January, bike ambulance facilities would be introduced on a pilot basis in three of Delhi’s 11 districts— East, North-east, and Shahdara.

79). Who among the following legends was honored with 10 foot statue recently by Arunachal Pradesh?
   a) Bhupen hazarika
   b) Hariprasad Chaurasia
   c) Mohammed rafi
   d) Tasen
   e) None of these

Answer:A

Explanation: The Arunachal Pradesh government has erected a ten-foot bronze statue of legendary music composer and singer Bhupen Hazarika at Bolung village in Dibang Valley district of the State.

80). Which city hosted Grand India and World Exhibition?
   a) Mumbai
   b) Kolkata
   c) Shimla
   d) Chennai
   e) None of these

Answer: A

Explanation: The Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahayalay along with the British Museum and the national Museum hosted Grand India and World Exhibition

81). Which of the following country has appointed women in surtha council for first time recently?
   a) Iran
   b) Iraq
   c) Qatar
   d) Kuwait
   e) None of these

Answer: C

Explanation: Qatar has appointed four women to the Shura Council, one of its most important consultative bodies.

82). Who has been appointed as a general director of UNESCO recently?
   a) Jim Yon Kin
   b) Audrey Azoulay
   c) Chanda Kochhar
   d) Adelle Onyango
   e) None of these

Answer: B

Explanation: UNESCO member states appointed former French Culture Minister Audrey Azoulay as the new Director-General of the cultural agency. The 45-year-old Azoulay, who was nominated for the post last month, is the 11th Director-General of UNESCO and the second woman to occupy the position.

83). RBI asked the Banks in India to provide Banking facility at door steps for physically challenged persons and senior citizens above what age?
   a) 60
   b) 70
c) 75

d) 80

e) None of these

Answer: B

Explanation: Senior citizens of more than 70 years of age and the differently-abled can look forward to availing of basic banking services, right from the comfort of their home by December this year.

84). Which foreign bank has started operations in India recently?

- a) Emirates NBD
- b) Dubai Islamic bank
- c) Noor bank
- d) Commercial bank of Dubai
- e) None of these

Answer: A

Explanation: Emirates NBD, the UAE’s second-largest lender has started operations in India with an aim to invest USD 100 million capital into its Indian operations. The Mumbai branch marks the bank’s fifth international branch outside of its UAE network.

85). Who among the following cricketer has been named as a government nominee in DDCA managing committee?

- a) Gautam Gambir
- b) Sachin Tendulkar
- c) Mahendra Singh Dhoni
- d) Virat Kohli
- e) None of these

Answer: A

Explanation: Indian cricketer Gautam Gambhir was named as a government nominee in the Delhi and District Cricket Association (DDCA) managing committee.

86). Who among the following personality has became the first Indian-born Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) fighter in the UFC?

- a) Bharat Khandare
- b) Vitor Belfort
- c) Jens Pulver
- d) Forrest Griffin
- e) Urijah Faber

Answer: A

Explanation: Earlier this year Arjan Singh Bhullar became the first Indian to sign up in the UFC. And now, Bharat Khandare is all set to be the first Indian-born Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) fighter in the UFC.

87). Name the famous former Indian cricketer who had passed away recently?

- a) Armar singh
- b) AG Milkha singh
- c) Lall singh
- d) Hanumant singh
- e) None of these

Answer: B

Explanation: Former India cricketer AG Milkha Singh passed away. Milkha Singh played four Test matches in the early 60s.

88). Public Service Broadcasting Day observed on which day?

- a) November 08
- b) November 10
- c) November 21
- d) November 15
- e) November 12

Answer: E

Explanation: Public Service Broadcasting Day is being observed on November 12.
89). All India Radio (AIR) to launch its services through which among the leading private brand speakers in next three months?
   a) Amazon echo  
   b) Snapdeal echo  
   c) Flipkart echo  
   d) Shopclues echo  
   e) None of these  
   Answer: A
   Explanation: All India Radio (AIR) Director General Fayyaz Sheheryar announced that the government-owned broadcaster will have its services on Amazon’s Echo Dot in the next three-to-six months’ time. Amazon Echo (shortened and referred to as Echo) is a brand of smart speakers developed by Amazon.com.

90). According to the recent survey of Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), which city was named as a most polluted city?
   a) Lucknow  
   b) Patna  
   c) Varanasi  
   d) Kanpur  
   e) None of these  
   Answer: C
   Explanation: Cities across North India continued to be ‘severe’ on the Air Quality Index (AQI), as per the report by the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB). Varanasi topped the list at 491, followed by Gurugram at 480, Delhi at 468, Lucknow at 462 and Kanpur at 461, in the AQI.

91). A two-day seminar to celebrate the 20th anniversary of Prasar Bharati was held in which city?
   a) Kolkata  
   b) Shillong  
   c) Impal  
   d) Mizoram  
   e) None of these  
   Answer: B
   Explanation: A two-day seminar was held in Shillong to celebrate the 20th anniversary of Prasar Bharati on the occasion of Public Broadcasting Day.

92). According to the rank released by the global climatic risk index, what is India rank in most vulnerable country in the world list?
   a) Seventh  
   b) Ninth  
   c) Sixth  
   d) Eighth  
   e) None of these  
   Answer: C
   Explanation: India is the sixth most vulnerable country in the world in terms of facing extreme weather events with Haiti, Zimbabwe, Fiji, Sri Lanka and Vietnam taking top five positions in the fresh list of nations facing climate risk.

93). The four-day traditional Lavi Fair held in which of the following state?
   a) Meghalaya  
   b) Manipur  
   c) Mizoram  
   d) Himachal Pradesh  
   e) None of these  
   Answer: D
   Explanation: Himachal Pradesh Governor Acharya Devvrat inaugurated the four-day traditional Lavi Fair, ending November 14, at Rampur.

94). Which state government has announced that it will organize a Military Literature Festival from December 7-9?
a) Maharashtra
b) Punjab
c) Haryana
d) Rajasthan
e) None of these

Answer: B

**Explanation:** The Punjab government has announced that it will organize a Military Literature Festival in Chandigarh from December 7-9. Further, seminars will be held on India’s defence literature, art, music, photography, among others.

95). In which state scholarships reserved for Other Backward Classes (OBC) students will be extended to students belonging to Economically Backward Classes (EBC)?

a) Assam
b) Jharkhand
c) Maharashtra
d) Tripura
e) None of these

Answer: C

**Explanation:** Maharashtra government has decided that scholarships reserved for Other Backward Classes (OBC) students will be extended to students belonging to Economically Backward Classes (EBC) including the Maratha community.

96). Which among the following Private aviation company receives loan worth of 1500 crore from Bank of India to meet its urgent working capital?

a) Go Air
b) Air Asia
c) Spice Jet
d) Kingfisher
e) Air India

Answer: E

**Explanation:** Debt-laden Air India has received a loan worth Rs 1,500 crore from Bank of India to meet urgent working capital needs less than a month after floating a tender in this regard.

97). From which institution Olympian Dipa Karmakar receives her honorary degree?

a) NIT-Agartala
b) NIT-Trichy
c) NIT-Calicut
d) NIT-Rourkela
e) None of these

Answer: A

**Explanation:** India’s star gymnast Dipa Karmakar conferred a D.Litt. degree by the National Institute of Technology (NIT), Agartala.

98). Who among the following cricketer launches global cricket academy in Dubai?

a) Virendar Sehwag
b) Anil Kumble
c) MS Dhoni
d) Sachin Tendulkar
e) None of these

Answer: C

**Explanation:** The flamboyant Indian cricketer MS Dhoni unveiled his first global cricket academy in the effervescent city of Dubai.

99). Which country will host the FIFA World Cup 2018?

a) Geneva
b) Switzerland
c) France
d) Russia
e) None of these

Answer: D

**FIFA World Cup Venue 2018 – Russia**
100). Veteran cyclist who has passed away at Mumbai recently?
   a) Ashok Khale  
   b) Ashok Saraf  
   c) Ashok Malhotra  
   d) Ashok Manka  
   e) None of these  
   **Answer: A**  
   **Explanation:** Veteran cyclist Ashok Khale, who was recently injured in an accident on the Sion-Panvel highway, died today in a hospital during treatment. He was 64.

101). World Kindness Day observed on which day?
   a) October 25  
   b) August 20  
   c) November 13  
   d) September 08  
   e) December 13  
   **Answer: C**  
   **Explanation:** World Kindness Day is an international observance on 13 November. It was introduced in 1998 by the World Kindness Movement a coalition of nations kindness NGOs.

102). The Government will launch its second and final phase of BharatNet project to provide high-speed broadband service in all Gram Panchayats by which date?
   a) March 2018  
   b) March 2019  
   c) December 2018  
   d) December 2019  
   e) None of these  
   **Answer: B**  
   **Explanation:** The Government will launch its second and final phase of BharatNet project to provide high-speed broadband service in all Gram Panchayats by March 2019. It will be implemented at an outlay of around 34 thousand crore rupees.

103). Where does 31st ASEAN summit held?
   a) Pasay  
   b) Singapore  
   c) Malaysia  
   d) Philippines  
   e) None of these  
   **Answer: D**  
   **Explanation:** 30th ASEAN summit (April) – Philippines  
   32nd ASEAN summit (April) - Singapore  
   33rd ASEAN summit (November) - Singapore

104). Who is the new President of Slovenia?
   a) Ashraf Ghani  
   b) Borut Pahor  
   c) Bujar Nishani  
   d) Abdelaziz Bouteflika  
   e) None of these  
   **Answer: B**  
   **Explanation:** Slovenia’s internet-savvy President Borut Pahor won the second term in a runoff vote that was marred by an abysmally low turnout.

105). Which was the first country in the world to announce an artificial intelligence (AI)-powered police station without any man power?
   a) Chile  
   b) Canada  
   c) China  
   d) USA  
   e) None of these  
   **Answer: C**
**Explanation:** The Chinese government has announced that it will build an artificial intelligence (AI)-powered police station without any human personnel. The station will be open to the public 24/7 and will feature face-scanning technology to replace ID Cards.

106). Which of the following state in India is going to launch e-register to identify the underlying causes of death?
   
   a) Kerala  
   b) Karnataka  
   c) Tamil Nadu  
   d) Andra Pradesh  
   e) None of these

**Answer:** B  
**Explanation:** In the next two to three months, all hospitals in Karnataka are likely to have an e-mortality (e-mor) software to help medically register deaths.

107). Who among the following Indian chef is about to open first culinary museum in Karnataka which aimed to preserve India’s rich culture?
   
   a) Kunal Kapur  
   b) Hari Nayak  
   c) Sanjeev Kapoor  
   d) Vikas Khanna  
   e) None of these

**Answer:** D  
**Explanation:** Indian Chef Vikas Khanna will launch India’s first living culinary museum at his alma mater, Karnataka’s Manipal University.

108). The Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) launched a water rocket to mark an international Water Rocket Launch Competition in which city?
   
   a) Chennai  
   b) Mumbai

**Answer:** E  
**Explanation:** The Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) launched a water rocket to mark an international Water Rocket Launch Competition in Bengaluru.

109). Who among the following player won Indian sportswomen of the year award recently?
   
   a) P.V. Sindhu  
   b) Mithali Raj  
   c) Dipa Karmakar  
   d) Sakshi Malik  
   e) None of these

**Answer:** B  
**Explanation:** Indian women’s cricket team captain Mithali Raj bagged the Indian Sportswoman of the Year (Team Sports) award at the Indian Sports Honours (ISH) event held in Mumbai. Further, Mithali-led Indian team, which ended as runners-up in the World Cup, won the Team of the Year award. She shared a photo with the awards with the caption, “Double honours.”

110). Who won the Brazilian grand prix 2017 title?
   
   a) Fernando Alonso  
   b) Sebastian Vettel  
   c) Lewis Hamilton  
   d) Valtteri Bottas  
   e) None of these

**Answer:** B  
**Explanation:** Ferrari’s Sebastian Vettel overtook Mercedes’ Valtteri Bottas on the first turn of the circuit to go on and win his fifth race of the season in the form of the Brazilian Grand Prix.
111). Indian golfer who registered her maiden top-10 finish after finishing tied 6th at the Women's Indian Open in Gurugram?
   a) Aditi Ashok
   b) Sharmila Nicollet
   c) Margaret Abbott
   d) Heena Sidhu
   e) Vani Kapoor

Answer: E

Explanation: Indian golfer Vani Kapoor registered her maiden top-10 finish after finishing tied 6th at the Women's Indian Open in Gurugram.

112). Who among the following won the title of 17th world billiards championship?
   a) Mark Selby
   b) James Wattana
   c) Ryan day
   d) Pankaj Advani
   e) None of these

Answer: D

Explanation: Ace Indian cueist Pankaj Advani clinched his 17th world title after he thrashed his arch-rival Mike Russell of England in the IBSF World Billiards Championship in Doha.

113). Who lifted the title Knoxville challenger title in men's doubles category?
   a) Mahesh Bhupathi and Rohan Bopanna
   b) Bob Bryan and Mike Bryan
   c) Leander Paes and Purav Raja
   d) Leander Paes and Mahesh Bhupathi
   e) None of these

Answer: C

Explanation: In Tennis, Leander Paes and Purav Raja have lifted Knoxville Challenger men’s doubles title at Tennessee in United States.

114). National Children's day was observed on which of the following day?
   a) 12th November
   b) 10th November
   c) 14th November
   d) 16th November
   e) None of these

Answer: C

Explanation: In India, Children’s day is celebrated on the 14th November every year. As a tribute Children’s Day is celebrated on the first Prime Minister of India, Jawaharlal Nehru's birthday.

115). World Diabetes Day was observed on November 14, what is the theme of the year 2017?
   a) Women and diabetes – our right to a healthy future
   b) Go Blue for Breakfast
   c) Healthy Eating
   d) Eyes on Diabetes
   e) None of these

Answer: A

Explanation: World Diabetes Day was observed on November 14. Theme 2017 – ‘Women and diabetes – our right to a healthy future’

116). Where President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated the 37th India International Trade Fair?
   a) Kolkata
   b) New Delhi
   c) Mumbai
   d) Kanpur
   e) None of these

Answer: B

Explanation: World Diabetes Day was observed on November 14. Theme 2017 – ‘Women and diabetes – our right to a healthy future’
Explaination: President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated the 37th India International Trade Fair at Pragati Maidan in Delhi.

117). India and which country signed agreements in areas including Defence Cooperation and Logistics, agriculture, Micro, Medium enterprises?
   a) Germany
   b) Spain
   c) USA
   d) Russia
   e) Philippines

Answer: E

Explanation: The agreements were signed in fields of defence cooperation and logistics, agriculture, micro, small and medium enterprises, and cooperation between Indian Council of World Affairs and Philippines Foreign Services Institute.

118). The technology summit was held between which of the following countries in New Delhi?
   a) India -Japan
   b) India- Russia
   c) India- USA
   d) India -Canada
   e) None of these

Answer: D

Explanation: India-Canada Technology Summit in New Delhi. India is tremendously focussed on advanced technology development and the country ranks 3rd in Science publications, with a growth rate of 14 per cent.

119). 7th Regional Economic Cooperation Conference on Afghanistan was held in?
   a) Israel
   b) Iraq
   c) Iran
   d) Pakistan
   e) Turkmenistan

Answer: E

Explanation: Turkmenistan and Afghanistan at the intergovernmental level discussed the preparation and holding of the 7th Regional Economic Cooperation Conference on Afghanistan (RECCA VII), which will be held in Ashgabat on November 14-15, 2017.

120). 10th South Asian Economic summit held in which country?
   a) Nepal
   b) Bhutan
   c) Bangladesh
   d) Myanmar
   e) None of these

Answer: A

Explanation: The 10th South Asia Economic Summit, SAES, start at Kathmandu. The theme of 3-day summit is "Deepening Economic Integration for Inclusive and Sustainable Development in South Asia".

121). Among which of the following cities India’s first wave-powered navigational buoy was launched?
   a) Chennai
   b) Visakhapatnam
   c) Mumbai
   d) Kochi
   e) None of these

Answer: A

Explanation: A wave-powered navigational buoy, developed by the National Institute of Ocean Technology (NIOT), to guide ships in and out of ports, was launched in Chennai.

122). Where Hot Air Balloon Festival celebrated recently, which aims to promote tourism in the state?
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| 123) Who has been elected as the first woman president of NASSCOM? | a) Shivya Mishra  
 b) Debjani Ghosh  
 c) Radhika Agarwal  
 d) Nirmala Devi  
 e) None of these | B | The National Association of Software and Services Companies (Nasscom) named Debjani Ghosh as its President-Designate, who will succeed R Chandrashekhar after completion of his tenure in March next year. |
| 124) Digital payments platform Paytm was acquired which of the following startups? | a) Paisa Wapas  
 b) iBecoan  
 c) Zovia  
 d) Nearbuy and Little  
 e) None of these | D | Digital payments platform Paytm is acquiring deal discovery startups, Nearbuy and Little for about $30 million in a cash-and-stock deal. Nearbuy and Little provide online discount coupons for restaurants and salons, and commercial establishment deals. |
| 125) The scientists from which of the following country calculated the speed of electron emission from atom? | a) Norway  
 b) Sweden  
 c) Denmark  
 d) Greece  
 e) None of these | B | Sweden-based researchers have found that an electron takes 20 attoseconds, or 20 billionths of a billionth of a second to be emitted from a neon atom using laser pulses. The phenomenon called photoionization. |
| 126) Who among the following former cricketer named as Bengaluru FC ambassador for ISL 2017? | a) Sachin Tendulkar  
 b) Sourav Ganguly  
 c) Anil Kumble  
 d) Rahul Dravid  
 e) None of these | D | Bengaluru FC have announced that former India cricket captain and batting legend Rahul Dravid as their ambassador for the upcoming ISL season. |
| 127) Who among the following French ski racer died recently? | a) David Poisson  
 b) David Bowie  
 c) David Beckham  
 d) David Marquette  
 e) None of these | None of these | |

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Answer: A
Explanation: French skier David Poisson, who won a bronze medal in the downhill skiing event at the 2013 world championships, died in a training accident at the age of 35.

128). Jharkhand celebrated its 17th Statehood day on which day?
   a) 20th November
   b) 12th November
   c) 15th November
   d) 18th November
   e) None of these
Answer: C
Explanation: Jharkhand celebrated its 17th Statehood day on November 15. Every year, the state celebrates its foundation day on the occasion of the birth anniversary of tribal leader Birsa Munda, who was an important figure in the history of the Indian independence movement

129). India’s first tribal Entrepreneurship summit held at which of the following state in India?
   a) Gujarat
   b) Orissa
   c) Madhya Pradesh
   d) Chhattisgarh
   e) None of these
Answer: D
Explanation: India’s first Tribal Entrepreneurship Summit has been organized at Dantewada in the Bastar region of Chhattisgarh. The event is a part of 8th Global Entrepreneurship Summit being held in India.

130). Who among the following won the Rastriya balkalyan award 2017, which was awarded to super-30 founder for contribution in the field of providing free education?
   a) Dilip Kumar
   b) Anand Kumar
   c) Kiren Kumar
   d) Ajay Kumar
   e) None of these
Answer: B
Explanation: President Ram Nath Kovind awarded this year’s "Rashtriya Bal Kalyan Award" to Super 30 founder Anand Kumar for his contributions in the field of teaching and education.

131). Saudi Arabia recognized yoga as a sports activity, Who has became the first certified yoga instructor of that country?
   a) Nouf al shehhi
   b) Nouf Marwaai
   c) Nouf Taraman
   d) Nouf al Hammadi
   e) None of these
Answer: B
Explanation: Saudi Arabia’s Ministry of Trade and Industry officially declared yoga as a sport. The campaign to recognise yoga as a sporting activity was led by Nouf Marwaai, who also became the first certified yoga instructor in the country.

132). Name the country which is going to simplifies its visa norms for Indians from January 1 2018?
   a) Germany
   b) Jamaica
   c) Japan
   d) Jakarta
   e) Greece
Answer: C
133). Name the country which launches world’s first all electrical ship recently?
   a) India  
   b) China  
   c) Russia  
   d) Japan  
   e) None of these

Answer: B

Explanation: China has launched the world’s first all-electric ship, which can travel up to 80 km with 2000-tonnes cargo after a two-hour charge.

134). Which of the following state in India offered free coaching classes for NEET?
   a) Telangana  
   b) Kerala  
   c) Andhra Pradesh  
   d) Tamil Nadu  
   e) Karnataka

Answer: B

Explanation: Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Edappadi K Palaniswami launched a project to provide free coaching for Plus-Two students to enable them take competitive examinations, including the controversial National Eligibility- cum-Entrance Test or NEET.

135). Supreme Court directs Maharashtra government to pay how much amount to restore rivers in thane district namely Ulhas and Waldhuni?
   a) 100 crore  
   b) 200 crore  
   c) 300 crore  
   d) 400 crore  
   e) None of these

Answer: A

Explanation: The Supreme Court made the chief secretary of Maharashtra give an undertaking that Rs 100 crore will be disbursed for the restoration of the Ulhas and Waldhuni rivers in thane district.

136). Which of the following states has announced to provide uninterrupted power supply for all the sectors from January 2018?
   a) Tamil Nadu  
   b) Telangana  
   c) Andhra Pradesh  
   d) Karnataka  
   e) None of these

Answer: B

Explanation: Telangana CM K Chandrashekar Rao announced that electricity will be supplied 24*7 to all sectors across the state from January 1, 2018, “as a new year gift”.

137). Which of the following country has highest wealth per adult with $537,600 (3.5 Crores), according to the 2017 Credit Suisse Global Wealth Report?
   a) Switzerland  
   b) Germany  
   c) USA  
   d) China  
   e) Japan

Answer: A

Explanation: Switzerland has topped the list of average wealth per adult with $537,600 (₹ 3.5 crore), according to the 2017 Credit Suisse Global Wealth Report. It is followed by Australia ($402,600) and the United States ($388,600) in the second and third place respectively.
138). Which country approved world's first drug with digital tracking?
   a) Russia
   b) Argentina
   c) Australia
   d) India
   e) USA
Answer: E
Explanation: US' Food and Drug Administration has approved the first-ever drug which uses digital tracking to record if the medication was taken.

139). Which country's researchers had developed non-immune cells to kill cancer cells?
   a) Sweden
   b) Norway
   c) Finland
   d) Switzerland
   e) None of these
Answer: D
Explanation: Switzerland-based researchers have engineered non-immune cells transforming them into synthetic cells that mimic T-cells to kill cancer cells.

140). Who among the following is the first Indian women golfer qualified for LPGA tour championship?
   a) Vani Kapoor
   b) Aditi Ashok
   c) Sharmila Nicollet
   d) Ankita Tiwana
   e) None of these
Answer: B
Explanation: Indian golfer Aditi Ashok has qualified for the season-ending event of the LPGA Tour, CME Group Tour Championship, becoming the first Indian to qualify for the competition. The 19-year-old is one of the eight rookies to qualify for the season-ending event.

141). Name the famous Bollywood actress who passed away recently?
   a) Suraiya
   b) Madhubala
   c) Nargis
   d) Nimmi
   e) Shyama
Answer: E
Explanation: Veteran Bollywood actor Shyama passed away at the age of 82. The actress was known for her roles in movies like Aar Paar, Barsaat Ki Raat, SawanBhadi, Milan and Sharada.

142). National Press Day was celebrated on which day?
   a) 8th November
   b) 16th November
   c) 10th November
   d) 13th November
   e) None of these
Answer: B
Explanation: National Press Day is celebrated on November 16 to commemorate the establishment of the Press Council of India.

143). The International Day for Tolerance observed on which day?
   a) 11th November
   b) 14th November
   c) 18th November
   d) 20th November
   e) 16th November
Answer: E
144). World Philosophy Day was celebrated on which day?
   a) 1st Thursday of November
   b) 2nd Thursday of November
   c) 3rd Thursday of November
   d) 4th Thursday of November
   e) None of these

Answer: C

Explanation: World Philosophy Day was proclaimed by UNESCO to be celebrated every 3rd Thursday of November.

145). Which of the following country organized global conference on cyber security?
   a) India
   b) USA
   c) China
   d) Pakistan
   e) None of these

Answer: A

Explanation: India is organizing a global conference on Cyberspace. Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the conference on 23rd November.

146). The Indian Railways will introduce Asia's largest Solid State Interlocking (SSI) system in ____ which will aid in setting 800 train routes and ruling out collisions caused by cross movements.
   a) Ghum
   b) Howrah
   c) Kanpur
   d) Kharagpur
   e) None of these

Answer: D

Explanation: The Indian Railways will introduce Asia’s largest Solid State Interlocking (SSI) system in Kharagpur, which will aid in setting 800 train routes and ruling out collisions caused by cross movements.

147). Which city has been rated as a most tourist friendly destination in India according to the recent survey of World Travel and Tourism Council India Initiative?
   a) Mumbai
   b) Bangalore
   c) Chennai
   d) New Delhi
   e) None of these

Answer: D

Explanation: Delhi has been rated the most tourist-friendly destination in India, according to a biennial survey conducted by the World Travel and Tourism Council India Initiative.

148). Name the country which topped in the list of '2017 Destination of the Year' analyzed by the travel + leisure magazine?
   a) Canada
   b) China
   c) Congo
   d) Chile
   e) None of these

Answer: B

Explanation: Canada has been named the ‘2017 Destination of the Year’ by the Travel + Leisure magazine.

149). Name the person who crowned as a Miss International 2017 held at Tokyo?

Answer: E

Explanation: The International Day for Tolerance observed on November 16. It is an annual observance declared by UNESCO in 1995 to generate public awareness of the dangers of intolerance.
a) Natsuki Tsutsui  
b) Kevin Lilliana  
c) Curacao  
d) Ashley Powell  
e) None of these

Answer: B

Explanation: Indonesia’s Kevin Lilliana was crowned Miss International 2017 in Tokyo. This is the first Miss International title for Indonesia.

150). President Ram Nath Kovind launched "Mukhyamantri Health Insurance Scheme" in which state?
   a) Jharkhand  
   b) Bihar  
   c) Manipur  
   d) West Bengal  
   e) None of these

Answer: A

Explanation: President Ram Nath Kovind launched various schemes entailing total expenditure of Rs 3,455 crore in Jharkhand to coincide with the state’s 17th Foundation Day. Kovind launched the Rs 636-crore ‘Mukhyamantri Health Insurance Scheme’ under which 57 lakh of the 68 lakh families in the state will benefit. Beneficiaries will get treatment costing Rs 2 lakh under the scheme.

151). Which private organization signed an MOU with Telangana to set up food processing unit in lakkampally SEZ?
   a) Parle G  
   b) Britannia  
   c) Patanjali  
   d) Godrej  
   e) None of these

Answer: C

Explanation: The Patanjali Group headed by Acharya Balakrishna entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Government of Telangana.

152). Who has been appointed to the Financial Stability Institute Advisory Board or the Bank of International Settlement (BIS) recently?
   a) Raghuram Rajan  
   b) R Gandhi  
   c) Urjit Patel  
   d) Viral Acharya  
   e) None of these

Answer: C

Explanation: RBI Governor Urjit Patel has been appointed to the Financial Stability Institute Advisory Board or the Bank of International Settlement (BIS). Bank for International Settlements is an international financial organisation owned by 60 member central banks across the world.

153). Paytm has partnered with which bank to introduce ‘buy now pay later’ options for its customers recently?
   a) Axis Bank  
   b) ICICI Bank  
   c) HDFC Bank  
   d) Yes Bank  
   e) None of these

Answer: B

Explanation: Digital payments platform Paytm has introduced ‘buy now-pay later’ option which allows users to pay after 45 days of making the purchase. Paytm has partnered with ICICI Bank for the loan which depends on a user’s Paytm transaction history, credit history and the bank’s policies.
154). Which of the following country hosts 2023 Rugby world cup?
   a) France
   b) Finland
   c) Fiji
   d) Germany
   e) None of these
   Answer: A
   Explanation: Rugby world cup 2019 - Japan
   Rugby world cup 2023 - France

155). Name the eminent environment activist who passed away recently?
   a) Mike Pandey
   b) Chawang Norphel
   c) Madhu Batnagar
   d) A. Latha
   e) None of these
   Answer: D
   Explanation: Eminent environmental activist and leader of the anti-Athirappilly project agitation Dr. A. Latha passed away at her residence at Ollur, Kerala.

156). Health Ministry has decided to change the treatment strategy for which disease from thrice weekly to daily drug regimen?
   a) Typhoid
   b) Malaria
   c) Jaundice
   d) Tuberculosis
   e) None of these
   Answer: D
   Explanation: The Health Ministry has decided to change the treatment strategy for tuberculosis, TB, patients from thrice weekly to daily drug regimen using fixed dose combinations, FDC, for treatment.

157). The International Film Festival of India (IFFI) held in which state?
   a) Goa
   b) Gujarat
   c) Maharashtra
   d) Haryana
   e) None of these
   Answer: A
   Explanation: The International Film Festival of India (IFFI), which will begin next week at Panaji in Goa, will have Bioscope Village this year.

158). Which dictionary launches first-ever Hindi word of the year 2017?
   a) Cambridge
   b) WordReference
   c) Oxford
   d) Harvard
   e) None of these
   Answer: C
   Explanation: Oxford Dictionaries will have a Hindi word of the year for 2017. It will be a word or expression that has attracted a great deal of interest this year.

159). Which country replaces US and became the best country in Nation Brands Index?
   a) Russia
   b) Greece
   c) India
   d) China
   e) None of these
   Answer: E
   Explanation: Germany has replaced the United States as the country with the best “brand image,” according to a new study of 50 countries released.
160). Name the country which snaps all its military ties and trades with North Korea?
   a) Somalia  
   b) Spain  
   c) Sudan  
   d) Sweden  
   e) None of these  
Answer: C  
Explanation: Sudan committed to severing all trade and military ties with North Korea.

161). Which state in India recently banned plastic bottles from all hotels and government offices?
   a) Maharashtra  
   b) Madhya Pradesh  
   c) Manipur  
   d) Meghalaya  
   e) None of these  
Answer: A  
Explanation: The Maharashtra government, in a bid to become plastic-free state from March 2018, has banned packaged water bottles in Mantralaya and other government offices.

162). Which of the following state sent his 1000 officers on junket trip to Israel for learning various farming techniques?
   a) Andhra Pradesh  
   b) Madhya Pradesh  
   c) Karnataka  
   d) Telangana  
   e) None of these  
Answer: D  
Explanation: The Telangana state government has decided to send 1000 Telangana officers to visit Israel for a junket trip. The officers will go to Israel for training in various farming techniques that can be replicated in the state.

163). Which city metro recently launched QR-based mobile ticketing facility called skip Q?
   a) Chennai  
   b) Bangalore  
   c) Kochi  
   d) Mumbai  
   e) None of these  
Answer: D  
Explanation: Mumbai Metro has launched a mobile ticketing facility called Skip Q in association with digital payments player Paytm, that will help commuters book their tickets even from outside the metro stations.

164). Who became the top prize money earner in sports in 2017?
   a) Virat Kohli  
   b) Rafael Nadal  
   c) Novak Djokovic  
   d) Roger Federer  
   e) None of these  
Answer: D  
Explanation: World number two Roger Federer took his prize money to $110,235,682 (nearly 720 crore) after beating Alexander Zverev in the ATP Finals, becoming the top prize money.

165). Who was crowned as a National Women's Trap champion from India?
   a) Anjali Bhagwat  
   b) Shagun Chaudhary  
   c) Swetha Chaudhary  
   d) Pooja Ghatkar  
   e) None of these  
Answer:B
**Explanation:** The first Indian woman trap shooter to win an Olympic berth, Shagun Chowdhary bagged a national champion crown at the 61st National Shooting Championship in New Delhi.

**166). Which of the following International rating agency upgrade’s India’s sovereign bond for first time in 14 years?**

a) Standard & Poor's Rating Agency  
b) Moody’s Investor Service  
c) Fitch Rating Agency  
d) Egan-Jones Rating Agency  
e) None of these

**Answer: B**

**Explanation:** International rating agency Moody’s Investors Service has upgraded India’s sovereign bond rating for the first time in nearly 14 years. The agency lifted the country’s rating to Baa2 from Baa3.

**167). India and which country has agreed to deepen security co-operation recently?**

a) France  
b) Germany  
c) Greece  
d) Russia  
e) None of these

**Answer: A**

**Explanation:** India and France have agreed to deepen security co-operation, bilaterally and in the multilateral fora, and strengthen strong commitment to combating terrorism in all its forms and manifestations.

**168). Name the country which withdraws its troop from NATO military exercise?**

a) Tunisia  
b) Turkey  
c) Turkmenistan  
d) Tango  
e) None of these

**Answer: B**

**Explanation:** Turkey withdrew troops from NATO military exercises after Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan and Turkey’s founding leader Mustafa Kemal Ataturk featured on an “enemy chart” during the drills.

**169). Which of the following county made fastest wind tunnel recently to test hypersonic weapons?**

a) Japan  
b) India  
c) China  
d) Russia  
e) None of these

**Answer: C**

**Explanation:** China is building the world’s fastest wind tunnel to simulate hypersonic flights of 12 kilometres per second as part of the country’s hypersonic weapons development program.

**170). Name the state where people were celebrated Namami Barak festival to pay a tribute to river Barak?**

a) Assam  
b) Gujarat  
c) Maharashtra  
d) Haryana  
e) None of these

**Answer: A**

**Explanation:** In Assam, the first ever Namami Barak festival begins at Police Parade ground in Silchar.

**171). Which of the following states in India has signed an MOU with Hyperloop to identify routes?**

a) Madhya Pradesh and Kerala  
b) Meghalaya and Karnataka  
c) Manipur and Kerala
172). Cabinet committee of economic affairs recently removed all restrictions on exports of ____
   a) Vegetables
   b) Pulses
   c) Textiles
   d) Grains
   e) None of these

   **Answer: B**

   **Explanation:** The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs, CCEA has removed restrictions on export of all types of pulses.

173). RBI withdraws how much crore of government securities under Open Market Operations?
   a) 50,000
   b) 20,000
   c) 10,000
   d) 5,000
   e) None of these

   **Answer: C**

   **Explanation:** The Reserve Bank of India, RBI, has withdrawn the sale of Rs Ten thousand crore worth of government securities under Open Market Operations, OMO.

174). Who has been appointed as a first female Black Rod in 650 years by Britain?
   a) Helen Mirren
   b) Kate Winslet
   c) Sonia Friedman
   d) Sarah Clarke
   e) None of these

   **Answer: D**

   **Explanation:** Sarah Clarke has been appointed as the first female Black Rod in the 650-year history of the House of Lords.

175). Ericsson Company partnered with which company for 5G technology for the telecom giant’s India operations?
   a) Aircel
   b) Reliance Jio
   c) Idea
   d) Vodafone
   e) Bharti Airtel

   **Answer: E**

   **Explanation:** Communications technology firm Ericsson showcased the first-ever live 5G end-to-end demonstration in India. Ericsson Company partnered with Bharti Airtel for 5G technology for the telecom giant’s India operations.

176). Who won the gold medal in the National Wrestling championship under the category of 50kg?
   a) Geeta Poghat
   b) Ritu Phogat
   c) Sakshi Malik
   d) Vinesh Phogat
   e) None of these

   **Answer: B**

   **Explanation:** Ritu Phogat bagged gold medals at the National Wrestling Championship. Ritu won the women’s 50-kg event after beating Nirmala. Under 59 kgs- Geeta Poghat Under 62 kgs- Sakshi Malik
177). What is the venue of 62nd senior national wrestling championship?
   a) Indore, Madhya Pradesh
   b) Mysore, Karnataka
   c) Pune, Maharashtra
   d) Silinguris, Kolkata
   e) None of these

Answer: A

Explanation: 62nd Senior National Wrestling Championship venue – Indore, Madhya Pradesh

178). World Toilet Day (WTD) observed on which day?
   a) 17th November
   b) 18th November
   c) 19th November
   d) 20th November
   e) None of these

Answer: C

Explanation: World Toilet Day (WTD) is an official United Nations international observance day, celebrated on 19 November, to raise awareness of the global sanitation crisis. This is done through public communications, campaigns, reports and events.

179). The Qaumi Ekta Week was being observed across the country from?
   a) November 11 to 18
   b) November 19 to 26
   c) November 21 to 28
   d) November 24 to 30
   e) None of these

Answer: C

Explanation: The Qaumi Ekta Week was being observed across the country from November 19 to 26 to foster and reinforce the spirit of communal harmony and national Integration.

180). Which of the following PSU’s ratings are not upgraded by Moody Investor service recently?
   a) NHAI
   b) IOC
   c) BSNL
   d) HPCL
   e) None of these

Answer: C

Explanation: Moody's Investors Service has upgraded ratings of nine state-owned firms. The foreign currency issuer rating of BPCL, HPCL, IOC and PLL was upgraded to Baa2 from Baa3. The outlooks on these ratings have been revised to stable from positive. ONGC’s rating has been upgraded to Baa1 from Baa2. Ratings of NTPC, NHPC, NHAI) and GAIL India have also been raised to Baa2 stable.

181). What is the theme of Global entrepreneurship summit-2017?
   a) Women first, prosperity for all
   b) Women educational empowerment
   c) When women do better, countries do better
   d) Women property for all
   e) None of these

Answer: A

Explanation: The 8th edition of the Global Entrepreneurship Summit-2017 will be held at Hyderabad from 28th of this month. Theme of the Summit 2017 is “Women First, Prosperity for All”

182). The Centre is planning to implement “_________” connectivity vision, which aims to link Aadhaar numbers to bank accounts and on mobiles.
   a) 1 million - 1million - 1 million
   b) 1 billion - 1 billion - 1 billion
   c) 1 trillion - 1 trillion - 1 trillion
   d) 1 quadrillion -1 quadrillion - 1 quadrillion

Answer: C

Explanation: The Qaumi Ekta Week was being observed across the country from November 19 to 26 to foster and reinforce the spirit of communal harmony and national Integration.
e) None of these

**Answer: B**

**Explanation:** The Centre is planning to implement “1 billion - 1 billion - 1 billion” connectivity vision, which aims to link one billion Aadhaar numbers to one billion bank accounts and one billion mobiles.

183). Name the country which is going to boost economic co-operation with India to boost SMEs?
   a) Ecuador
   b) Egypt
   c) Kenya
   d) Iran
   e) None of these

**Answer: B**

**Explanation:** Egypt is keen on boosting economic cooperation with India specially in developing small and medium enterprises.

184). As many as 114 nations agreed to take urgent action to end Tuberculosis (TB) by?
   a) 2020
   b) 2021
   c) 2025
   d) 2030
   e) None of these

**Answer: B**

**Explanation:** As many as 114 nations agreed to take urgent action to end Tuberculosis (TB) by 2030, Report by the World Health Organisation (WHO).

185). Which country’s parliament allows the information exchange with India to control black money deposits?
   a) Sudan
   b) South Korea
   c) Switzerland
   d) Sweden
   e) None of these

**Answer: C**

**Explanation:** A Swiss parliamentary panel has approved the automatic exchange of information between Switzerland and India. The pact allows the transfer of information including tax identification number and will help India in identifying accounts hoarding black money in Swiss banks.

186). Name the country recently launched its first permanent highways to Arctic Ocean?
   a) India
   b) China
   c) Canada
   d) USA
   e) None of these

**Answer: C**

**Explanation:** Canada has officially opened its first permanent highway to the Arctic Ocean.

187). Which state in India has recorded maximum death rate of children due to malnutrition?
   a) Maharashtra
   b) Orissa
   c) Rajasthan
   d) Gujarat
   e) None of these

**Answer: D**

**Explanation:** Gujarat has recorded most deaths due to malnutrition – child and maternal – in 2016, a study has claimed.

188). The CBEC has raised import duty on crude palm oil to _____ from 15%
   a) 18%
   b) 28%
   c) 25%

**Answer: e)** None of these
d) 21%
e) None of these

Answer: E

Explanation: The Centre has raised import duty on crude palm oil to 30 per cent from 15 per cent and on refined oil to 40 per cent from 20 per cent in a bid to curb cheaper shipments and boost local prices for supporting farmers and refiners, according to a notification.

189). Name the country which has topped the list of IMF as a world’s richest country?
   a) Qatar
   b) Arab
   c) Iran
   d) Iraq
   e) None of these

Answer: A

Explanation: Qatar remains the world’s richest on per capital income, as per IMF data.

190). By what position India holds, in the list of IMF in terms of GDP per capita of county?
   a) 125
   b) 126
   c) 128
   d) 127
   e) None of these

Answer: B

Explanation: India has moved up one position to 126th in terms of GDP per capita of countries, still ranked lower than all its BRICS peers.

191). Which of the private sector bank opened all women branch in Chennai?
   a) Yes Bank
   b) Axis Bank
   c) RBL Bank
d) Lakshmi Vilas Bank
e) None of these

Answer: C

Explanation: Private sector RBL Bank has set up an all women branch in Chennai. The branch at R A Puram, would be managed by eight women and offer all products and services across liability and assets.

192). Reliance General Insurance (RGI) enters into bancassurance with which bank?
   a) Axis Bank
   b) Yes Bank
   c) ICICI Bank
d) HDFC Bank
e) None of these

Answer: B

Explanation: Reliance General – a subsidiary of Reliance Capital Ltd – signed the bancassurance agreement – corporate agency agreement – with Yes Bank to distribute insurance products to the bank’s customers.

193). Which bank has plans to raise up to 500 crore via Basel III norms?
   a) Union bank of India
   b) United bank of India
c) UCO bank
d) Central bank of India
e) None of these

Answer: A

Explanation: State-owned United Bank of India (UBI) plans to raise up to Rs 500 crore to comply with the global standard Basel III banking norms by March 2019.

194). Who is the 1st runner up of miss world 2017?
195). Miss World 2017 winner Manushi Chhillar belongs to which state?
   a) Bihar  
   b) Punjab  
   c) Haryana  
   d) Orissa  
   e) None of these  
   Answer: C  
   Explanation: Miss World 2017 - Manushi Chhillar, India  
   1st runner-up Andrea Meza, Mexico  
   2nd runner-up Stephanie Hill, England

196). Who has been awarded Indira Gandhi peace prize 2017?
   a) Atal Bihari Vajpayee  
   b) I.K. Gujral  
   c) H.D. Deve Gowda  
   d) Manmohan Singh  
   e) None of these  
   Answer: D  
   Explanation: Former Prime Minister Manmohan Singh has been awarded the Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament and Development this year, for his achievements during the “momentous” ten years of his tenure.

197). Who won the ATP Challenger tour recently?
   a) Adrian Mannarino  
   b) Yuki Bhambri  
   c) Ramkumar Ramanathan  
   d) Andre Begemann  
   e) None of these  
   Answer: B  
   Explanation: India’s tennis star Yuki Bhambri clinched his first title of the 2017 season on the ATP Challenger Tour following a come-from-behind win over compatriot Ramkumar Ramanathan in the final of the KPIT-MSLTA Challenger in Pune.

198). Name the persons who bag gold medal in National Wrestling championship under the categories of free men styling?
   a) Amit Dhankar and Mausam Khatri  
   b) Emile Czaja and Jeet Rama  
   c) Dhara Singh and Randhawa Pahch  
   d) Jama Singh and Dara Singh  
   e) None of these  
   Answer: A  
   Explanation: Amit Dhankar and Mausam Khatri bagged the gold medal in their respective weight categories of men’s freestyle on the third and final day of National Wrestling championship.

199). Who won bronze medal in Sweden open?
   a) Vijay Anand and Ashok Amirthraj  
   b) Martina Navratilova and Pam Shriver  
   c) A Sharath Kamal and G Sathiyan  
   d) Adele and Fred Astaire  
   e) None of these  
   Answer: A  
   Explanation: India’s star doubles pair A Sharath Kamal and G Sathiyan put up a stellar show in the Seamaster 2017 World Tour Swedish Open in Stockholm to seize
200). Three-time Olympic gold medal-winning weightlifter Naim Suleymanoglu passed away, which country he belongs to?
   a) Turkey
   b) Tunisia
   c) Tuvalu
   d) Thailand
   e) None of these

Answer: A
Explanation: Turkey’s three-time Olympic gold medal-winning weightlifter Naim Suleymanoglu died aged 50 due to liver failure.

201). Name the 31yrs old Britain motorcycle racer who passed away recently in Macau Grand Prix?
   a) Shane Byrne
   b) Leon Camier
   c) David Jefferies
   d) Daniel Hegarty
   e) None of these

Answer: D
Explanation: British rider Daniel Hegarty died after a crash during the Macau Motorcycle Grand Prix.

202). Universal Children’s Day was observed on which day?
   a) 15th November
   b) 18th November
   c) 20th November
   d) 21st November
   e) None of these

Answer: C
Explanation: United Nations Universal Children’s Day was established in 1954 and is celebrated on November 20th each year to promote international togetherness, awareness among children worldwide, and improving children’s welfare.

203). Name the organization which opened its India’s first electric vehicle charging station in Nagpur recently?
   a) HPCL
   b) IOC
   c) GAIL
   d) Reliance petroleum
   e) None of these

Answer: B
Explanation: State-owned Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) launched nation’s first electric vehicle charging station at a petrol pump in Nagpur. IOC, in collaboration with Ola, launched the country’s first electric charging station at one of its petrol-diesel stations in Nagpur.

204). Which country’s military had recently launched the websites to report fake news?
   a) USA
   b) India
   c) Canada
   d) China
   e) None of these

Answer: D
Explanation: China’s military launched a website inviting the public to report leaks and fake news, as well as illegal online activities by military personnel, the latest step in a push to ensure Communist Party control over the internet.
205). The Reserve Bank is planning to launch a full-fledged multimedia and multilingual campaign in how many languages

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**Answer: A**

**Explanation:** The Reserve Bank is planning to launch a full-fledged multimedia and multilingual campaign in 14 languages to create general awareness among citizens of its regulations and initiatives.

206). Which company signed an agreement with Bengaluru-based Strides Shasun to acquire its India branded generics business for Rs.500 crore?

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**Answer: D**

**Explanation:** Ahmedabad-based drugmaker Eris Lifesciences signed an agreement with Bengaluru-based Strides Shasun to acquire its India branded generics business for Rs.500 crore.

207). Who won the Tata Literature Live Lifetime Achievement Award?

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**Answer: A**

**Explanation:** Actor-playwright Girish Karnad conferred with Lifetime Achievement Award for his outstanding contribution in the field of theatre at the Tata Literature Live in Mumbai.

208). Who took charged as a new Indian envoy to China recently?

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**Answer: C**

**Explanation:** Gautam Bambawale took charge as India’s new ambassador to China Bambawale, a seasoned diplomat who till recently served as high commissioner to Pakistan and earlier as envoy to Bhutan.

209). Environmentalists recorded 130 butterfly species during Butterfly & Biodiversity Meet which held at?

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**Answer: B**

**Explanation:** In Arunachal Pradesh, a team of environmentalists including entomologists and wildlife experts have recorded 130 butterfly species during the second edition of Butterfly & Biodiversity Meet at Pasighat in East Siang District.

210). The winner of ATP finals, Grigor Dimitrov belongs to which country?

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c) Australia  
d) Belarus  
e) None of these  

Answer: E  

Explanation: Grigor Dimitrov of Bulgaria has won the ATP Finals after three set victory over David Goffin of Belgium in a hard-fought battle in London. Grigor Dimitrov overcame David Goffin 7-5, 4-6, 6-3 to win the title. It is his fourth title of the year and will lift him three places to No. 3 in the world, behind Rafael Nadal and Roger Federer.

211). Name the Ethiopian athletes won Gold medals in both Men and Women in Delhi Half Marathon?  

a) Birhanu Legese and Almaz Ayana  
b) Kenenisa Bekele and Tirunish Dibaba  
c) Haile Gebrselassie and Meseret Defar  
d) Genzebe Dibaba and Abebe Bikila  
e) None of these  

Answer: A  

Explanation: Ethiopian athletes Berhanu Legese and Almaz Ayana clinched the Gold medals in both the Women’s and Men’s sections in Delhi Half Marathon.

212). Name former Information and Broadcasting and Parliamentary Affairs minister who passed away recently?  

a) Vasant Sathe  
b) Jaipal Reddy  
c) Ambika Soni  
d) Manish Tewari  
e) Priya Ranjan Dasmunsi  

Answer: E  

Explanation: Veteran Congress leader Priya Ranjan Dasmunsi passed away in New Delhi. Dasmunsi served as Union Minister for Information and Broadcasting and Parliamentary Affairs.

213). Name the former Wimbledon champion from Czech Republic who passed away recently?  

a) Petra Kvitova  
b) Jana Novotna  
c) Lucie Hradecka  
d) Karolina Pliskova  
e) None of these  

Answer: B  

Explanation: Former World Number 2 Jana Novotna died at 49. The player from Czech Republic won 17 Grand Slam titles through her career – 12 in doubles, four in mixed doubles and her solitary Slam in singles came at Wimbledon in 1998.

214). World Fisheries day was observed on which day?  

a) 11th November  
b) 23rd November  
c) 25th November  
d) 15th November  
e) 21st November  

Answer: E  

Explanation: World Fisheries day is celebrated every year on November 21 throughout the world by the fisherfolk communities holding rallies, workshops, public meetings, cultural programs and exhibition to highlight the importance of maintaining the world’s fisheries.

215). Name the country which has signed 98 crore loan pack with the world bank to increase the production of renewable energy across the country?  

a) Italy  
b) India
218). India and which country signed a pact for Visa free entry to flight crew?
   a) China
   b) Russia
   c) Rwanda
   d) Romania
   e) None of these

Answer: B
Explanation: India and Russia have agreed to implement the general declaration for visa free entry of the crew of chartered and scheduled flights between the two countries.

219). Maharashtra Finance Minister has announced setting up of a Gender Budget Cell, who is the Finance Minister of Maharashtra?
   a) Sudhir Mungantiwar
   b) Sharad Pawar
   c) Manohar Joshi
   d) Narayan Rane
   e) None of these

Answer: A
Explanation: Maharashtra Finance Minister Sudhir Mungantiwar has announced setting up of a Gender Budget Cell for better implementation of various schemes of the Women and Child Development (WCD) by other government departments.

220). Which state has recently launched a single helpline for all civic issues in its Metropolitan Transport corporations?
   a) Tamil Nadu
   b) Kerala
   c) Telangana
   d) Andhra Pradesh
   e) Karnataka

Answer: E
221. According to the recent survey of IMD World talent ranking, which position does India hold?
   a) 53  
   b) 54  
   c) 51  
   d) 52  
   e) None of these  
   **Answer: C**  
   **Explanation:** India has improved its ranking by three notches to 51 globally in terms of ability to attract, develop and retain talent while Switzerland topped the list compiled by leading global business school IMD.

222. Which bank planning to start integrated blocking chain technology for smart contracts and KYC?
   a) Bank of India  
   b) State Bank of India  
   c) Dena Bank  
   d) Syndicate Bank  
   e) None of these  
   **Answer: B**  
   **Explanation:** State Bank of India has announced that it will start integrating blockchain technology in products starting next month as part of a beta test.

223. Which bank has raised $400 million in syndicated loans from lenders in Taiwan and Japan for on-lending to clients?
   a) Yes Bank  
   b) Axis Bank  
   c) ICICI Bank  
   d) HDFC Bank  
   e) None of these  
   **Answer: A**  
   **Explanation:** Private sector lender Yes Bank has raised $400 million in syndicated loans from lenders in Taiwan and Japan for on-lending to clients.

224. Name the India's nominee who has re-elected to International court of Justice (ICJ) recently?
   a. Narendra Singh  
   b. Mohamed Shahabudddeen  
   c. Bruno Simma  
   d. Dalveer Bhandari  
   e. James Crawford  
   **Answer: D**  
   **Explanation:** India's nominee to the International Court of Justice (ICJ) Dalveer Bhandari was re-elected to the fifth and the last seat of the world court after Britain withdrew its candidate from the election.

225. Who has been appointed as the director general of Doordarshan news?
   a. Supriya Sahu  
   b. DG Ghanshyam  
   c. Ira Joshi  
   d. Gita Nayar  
   e. None of these  
   **Answer: B**  
   **Explanation:** Ira Joshi was appointed as the Director General of Doordarshan News following the retirement of Veena Jain.

226. Name the actress who became a UNICEF celebrity advocate recently?
   a. Aishwarya Rai  
   b. Priyanka Chopra  
   c. Trisha Krishnan
d. Alia Bhatt  
e. None of these  

Answer: C  

Explanation: Actor Trisha Krishnan is the first actor from South India to be bestowed with the UNICEF celebrity advocate status. She will voice the rights of young people, especially girls. The actor will support the efforts to address problems faced by children in Tamil Nadu and Kerala such as anaemia, early marriage, labour and child abuse.

227). Name the Indian luger who has been qualified for sixth winter Olympic?  
a. Shiva Keshavan  
b. Narayana Ramachandran  
c. Suresh Patel  
d. Bhalindra Singh  
e. None of these  

Answer: A  

Explanation: Indian luger Shiva Keshavan will make his sixth appearance at the Winter Olympics as he qualified for the 2018 PyeongChang Winter Games at the ongoing Viessmann Luge World Cup 2017-18 in Innsbruck, Austria. The three-time Asian Cup gold medallist luger needed five necessary points to achieve the qualification standard for next year's mega-event and he managed to achieve that at the World Cup. Competing in the Viessmann Luge World Cup, Keshavan, the current Asian Champion, finished 23rd out of 57 athletes with a time difference of 0.701s from the winner.

228). Narayana Rao who was the CEO of__________ has passed away recently.  
a. Infosys groups  
b. NDTV groups  
c. Star groups  
d. Wipro groups  
e. None of these  

Answer: B  


229). Ministry of Ayush holds a day-long meeting in which city to finalise draft of National policy of medicinal and aromatic plants?  
a. Kolkata  
b. Pune  
c. Chennai  
d. New Delhi  
e. Varanasi  

Answer: D  

Explanation: Ministry of Ayush holds a day-long meeting to finalise draft of National policy of medicinal and aromatic plants in New Delhi.

230). Which state/UT has recently launched free coaching schemes for SC/ST students?  
a. Delhi  
b. Puducherry  
c. Orissa  
d. Punjab  
e. None of these  

Answer: A  

Explanation: Free coaching for competitive exams and an app to apply for loans for students of the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Other Backward Castes and minority communities are two initiatives likely to be launched by the Delhi government on December 6.

231). Name the Zimbabwe president who resigned his job recently after 37yrs of service?  
a. Emmanuel macron
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| 232)            | Who replaced Robert Mugabe and became the President of Zimbabwe recently?                                                                       | a. Emmanuel Macron  
 b. Robert Mugabe  
 c. Emmerson Mnangagwa  
 d. Paola Gentiloni  
 e. None of these | C      | **Answer: C**  
 **Explanation:** Zimbabwe’s ousted vice president Emmerson Mnangagwa will be sworn in as successor to Robert Mugabe.                                                                                   |
| 233)            | Which state has issued guidelines for notifying silence zones across the state following an amendment in noise pollution rules in August?        | a. Maharashtra  
 b. Meghalaya  
 c. Manipur  
 d. Mizoram  
 e. None of these | A      | **Answer: A**  
 **Explanation:** The Maharashtra state government issued guidelines for notifying silence zones across the state following an amendment in noise pollution rules in August. |
| 234)            | Which state has announced Telugu as mandatory language for all schools?                                                                        | a. Andhra Pradesh  
 b. Karnataka  
 c. Tamil Nadu  
 d. Telangana  
 e. None of these | D      | **Answer: D**  
 **Explanation:** The Telangana government has directed all public and private schools in the state to introduce Telugu as a compulsory subject from the next academic session. |
| 235)            | Union Civil Aviation Minister P Ashok Gajapati inaugurated the new international air cargo complex at the _______                                | a. Indira Gandhi Airport  
 b. Biju Patnaik Airport  
 c. Bengaluru Airport  
 d. Visakhapatnam Airport  
 e. None of these | D      | **Answer: D**  
 **Explanation:** Union Civil Aviation Minister P Ashok Gajapati inaugurated the new international air cargo complex at the Visakhapatnam airport.                                                             |
| 236)            | Name the scheme which was launched by Andhra bank recently to help SHG entrepreneurs?                                                         | a. First home grown INDEX “COMPOSITE INDEX  
 b. ‘Saral¬ Rural Housing Loan’ Scheme  
 c. Pattabhi Sitaramayya  
 d. Awareness initiative ‘Dhanchayat’  
 e. None of these | C      | **Answer: C**  
 **Explanation:** Andhra Bank has launched a new scheme for self-help groups (SHGs) to encourage entrepreneurship. The scheme, Pattabhi Sitaramayya — Self Business Group (PS-SBG), has been introduced to commemorate the 138th birth anniversary. |
of its founder Bhogaraju Pattabhi Sitaramayya, and the Silver Jubilee of the SHG-Bank linkage programme in the country.

237). Which bank has recorded $51 million over the sale of Lehman-linked products?
   a. ICICI Bank
   b. Axis Bank
   c. HDFC Bank
   d. HSBC Bank
   e. None of these
   
   **Answer: D**
   **Explanation:** HSBC’s private-banking unit was fined a record $51 million over sales of structured products linked to Lehman Brothers in Hong Kong. The unit will also lose its licence to advice on securities for one year, while its licence to deal in securities will be partially suspended for a year.

238). Paytm has bought an undisclosed stake from which leading startup to evaluate creditworthiness of people seeking loans to buy two-wheelers?
   a. Equifax
   b. Experian
   c. Urja Money
   d. TransUnion
   e. None of these
   
   **Answer: C**
   **Explanation:** Paytm has bought an undisclosed stake in Urja Money Pvt. Ltd, which evaluates creditworthiness of people seeking loans to buy two-wheelers.

239). Name the Mission which is going to be launched by ISRO to sun in 2019?
   a. Aditya-L1
   b. Aditya-L5
   c. Aditya-L3
   d. Aditya-L4
   e. None of these
   
   **Answer: A**
   **Explanation:** After conquering the moon and Mars, the India Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has set its sights on the sun with the Aditya-L1 mission. “Aditya-L1, India’s maiden mission to the Sun, will be launched in 2019.”.

240). Name the missile which was successfully tested IFA fighter jet recently?
   a. 550 magic
   b. Kh-59
   c. MARTEL
   d. MICA
   e. Sukhoi-30MKI
   
   **Answer: E**
   **Explanation:** BrahMos was successfully flight-tested for the first time from the Indian Air Force’s fighter aircraft Sukhoi-30MKI against a sea-based target.

241). Who among the following person appointed as a head of redraft income tax law panel, which was constituted by the Indian Government?
   a. Arbind Modi
   b. Mansi Kedia
   c. Girish Ahuja
   d. Arvind Subramanian
   e. None of these
   
   **Answer: A**
   **Explanation:** The six-member task force will have Arbind Modi, CBDT Member (Legislation) as the Convener and other members, including Girish Ahuja (chartered accountant), Rajiv Memani (Chairman and Regional Managing Partner of EY) and Mansi Kedia (Consultant, ICRIER).
242). Who is the President of European bank for reconstruction & development?
   a. Horst Kohler  
   b. Suma Chakrabarti  
   c. Jacques de Larosière  
   d. Jacques Attali  
   e. None of these  
   **Answer: B**  
   **Explanation:** Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has approved India’s Membership for European Bank for Reconstruction & Development. The president of European bank for reconstruction & development is Suma chakrabarthi

243). Which country has aim to launch driverless cars by 2021?
   a. Japan  
   b. China  
   c. USA  
   d. Russia  
   e. UK  
   **Answer: E**  
   **Explanation:** UK government plans to launch driverless cars by 2021.

244). Which two countries have signed an MOU to return six lakh Rohingya Muslims to their native country?
   a. Myanmar –Bangladesh  
   b. Myanmar-Bhutan  
   c. Myanmar-Tibet  
   d. Myanmar-India  
   e. None of these  
   **Answer: A**  
   **Explanation:** Myanmar and Bangladesh signed a memorandum of understanding for the return of over six lakh Rohingya Muslims who had fled to Bangladesh to escape a violent crackdown by the Myanmar military.

245). Name the countries which had entered in to trilateral treaty held at Sochi recently?
   a. Russia, Turkey and Iran  
   b. Russia, Turkey and Iraq  
   c. Sweden, Turkey and Russia  
   d. Tunisia, Sweden and Rome  
   e. Rome, Turkey and Iraq  
   **Answer: A**  
   **Explanation:** A trilateral meeting between leaders of Russia, Turkey and Iran was held in Russian city of Sochi, to discuss ways to advance a political settlement in Syria.

246). Under Which scheme Maharashtra government is providing cash of Rs 5000 for pregnant women?
   a. Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana  
   b. Krish Sanjivani yojana  
   c. Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana  
   d. Shiv rojgar yojana  
   e. None of these  
   **Answer: C**  
   **Explanation:** The Maharashtra government has decided to implement Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana, a maternity benefit programme introduced by the centre to bring down maternal and infant mortality rate by providing cash of Rs 5,000 to pregnant women.

247). Who was the first Indian women navy pilot?
   a. Sarla Thakral  
   b. Punita Arora  
   c. Priya Jhingan  
   d. Shubhangi Swaroop  
   e. None of these  
   **Answer: D**
**Explanation:** In a first, a woman has been inducted as a pilot in the Indian Navy. Shubhangi Swaroop, who hails from Uttar Pradesh, will soon be flying Maritime Reconnaissance aircraft.

248). Name the veteran Madras bar jurist who passed away recently?
- a. Habibullah Basha
- b. S.Nagamuthu
- c. W.Barton
- d. J.P.Wallace
- e. None of these

**Answer:** A
**Explanation:** Veteran lawyer Habibullah Basha, one of the finest jurists of the Madras Bar, passed away after a prolonged illness.

249). Name the leader of Communist Party of India (Marxist) passed away recently, who played a pivotal role in the combined Communist Party movement?
- A. VS Achuthananandan
- B. Subhas chakraborty
- C. Jothi Basu
- D. Digumarthy Kamalamma
- E. None of these

**Answer:** D
**Explanation:** Nonagenarian Communist Party of India (Marxist) leader Digumarthy Kamalamma, who played a pivotal role in the combined Communist Party movement, died in the coal town of Kothagudem.

250). Which ministry conducted the Multi-State Mega Mock Tsunami Exercise 2017 recently, for 31 coastal areas of various states in India?
- a. Ministry of Defence
- b. Ministry of Home Affairs
- c. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- d. Ministry of Economic Affairs
- e. None of these

**Answer:** B
**Explanation:** The Ministry of home affairs with the help of the National Disaster Management Authority, NDMA and the Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services conduct the exercise simultaneously in 31 coastal districts across four States – West Bengal, Odisha, Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu – and Union Territory Puducherry along with the entire East Coast.

251). Name the coastal security exercise which was conducted by Indian coastal guards recently?
- a. Shakti
- b. Khanjar
- c. Ajeya Warrior
- d. Sagar Kavach
- e. None of these

**Answer:** D
**Explanation:** The comprehensive three-day Coastal Security exercise Sagar Kavach by Indian Coast Guard off Kerala Coast, concluded.

252). Which social media giant has recently launched digital and startup training hub in India?
- a. Whatsapp
- b. Twitter
- c. Facebook
- d. Wechat
- e. None of these

**Answer:** C
**Explanation:** Facebook introduced its digital training and start-up training hubs in India aimed at helping small businesses and people grow by giving them the digital skills they need to compete in today's digital economy.
253). Union Road Transport, Highways and Shipping Minister Nitin Gadkari have announced one-lakh-crore rupees worth new projects for which state?
   a. Jharkhand
   b. Odisha
   c. Maharashtra
   d. Andra Pradesh
   e. Tamil Nadu
   **Answer: E**
   **Explanation:** Union Road Transport, Highways and Shipping Minister Nitin Gadkari have announced one-lakh-crore rupees worth new projects for Tamil Nadu.

254). Which state was suggested to enhance its rural road construction under PMGSY, targeted to 10,000 kms by central?
   a. Bihar
   b. Assam
   c. Orissa
   d. West Bengal
   e. None of these
   **Answer: C**
   **Explanation:** The Centre has suggested the Odisha government to enhance its rural road construction target under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana, to 10 thousand km from 7 thousand kilometres during the current fiscal.

255). Which institute holds 264th position according to Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) in the World University Rankings of 2018?
   a. IIT- Kharagpur
   b. IIT-Kanpur
   c. IIT-Bombay
   d. IIT-Chennai
   e. None of these
   **Answer: D**
   **Explanation:** The Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) World University Rankings 2018 has placed the Indian Institute of Technology-Madras at the 264th rank among world universities.

256). Which bank aims to develop 1,000 villages under CSR by the Financial Year 2019?
   a. HDFC Bank
   b. Kotak Mahindra Bank
   c. ICICI Bank
   d. Axis Bank
   e. None of these
   **Answer: A**
   **Explanation:** HDFC Bank aims to transform lives in 1,000 villages by March 2019 as part of its corporate social responsibility (CSR).

257). Which bank recently revamped digital offering to get all group products & services on one app?
   a. Andra Bank
   b. State Bank of India
   c. Vijaya Bank
   d. Punjab National Bank
   e. None of these
   **Answer: B**
   **Explanation:** The State Bank launched a comprehensive digital platform with a view to providing all its services as well as its subsidiaries with just one app.

258). Who won the Best Actor award in Asia Pacific Screen Awards recently?
   a. Lee Chang-dong
   b. Anthony Chen
   c. Rajkummar Rao
   d. Manoj Bajpayee
   e. None of these
Question: Which private giant has recently finished building the world’s biggest lithium-ion battery system in South Australia?

a. Sony  
b. Microsoft  
c. Nokia  
d. Tesla  
e. None of these

Answer: D

Explanation: Billionaire Elon Musk-led Tesla has finished building the world’s biggest lithium-ion battery system in South Australia and is expected to test it soon. The 129 MWh Powerpack system will provide power for more than 30,000 homes.

Question: Name the US Jazz singer who passed away recently?

a. Jonny Hardman  
b. Peggy Lee  
c. Jon Hendricks  
d. Ela Fitzgerald  
e. None of these

Answer: C

Explanation: Pioneering jazz singer and lyricist Jon Hendricks died in the United States. Hendricks found fame in the 1950s and ‘60s teaming with Dave Lambert and Annie Ross.

Question: International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women was observed on?

a. 29th November  
b. 22nd November  
c. 20th November  
d. 27th November  
e. 25th November

Answer: E

Explanation: The United Nations General Assembly has designated November 25 as the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women.

Question: What was the theme of National Law Day Conference which was inaugurated by the President of India in New Delhi recently?

a. Structural reforms for overcoming delays in justice delivery  
b. Scope of judicial powers  
c. Judicial activism  
d. All of the above  
e. None of these

Answer: D

Explanation: The theme of the conference is ‘structural reforms for overcoming delays in justice delivery’ and ‘scope of judicial powers; judicial activism’.

Question: Which company announced the scholarship program to train 1.3 lakh Indian developers in emerging technologies?

a. Google  
b. Facebook  
c. Twitter  
d. Amazon  
e. None of these

Answer: A

Explanation: Google India has collaborated with online education company Pluralsight and educational organization Udacity to help train 1.3 Lakh developers and students across India.
264). Name the world’s first Sanskrit 3D film which was screened at the International Film Festival of India (IFFI) 2017 in Goa recently?

a. Drukten  
b. Bandla  
c. Anurakthi  
d. Seven dwarfs  
e. None of these  

**Answer: C**  
**Explanation:** ‘Anurakthi’, the world’s first Sanskrit 3D film was screened at the International Film Festival of India (IFFI) 2017 in Goa.

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265). What was the name of the naval exercise held between India and Bangladesh recently?

a. IMMSAREX  
b. SIMBEX  
c. VARUNA  
d. MALABAR  
e. None of these  

**Answer: A**  
**Explanation:** Navy Chief Admiral Sunil Lanba will participate in International Multilateral Maritime Search and Rescue Exercise (IMMSAREX) in Bangladesh.

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266). In which palace the Rajasthan government was planning to setup Sculpture Park on December?

a. Vijay Vilas Palace  
b. Ranjit Vilas Palace  
c. Naulakha Palace  
d. Madevendra Palace  
e. None of these  

**Answer: D**  
**Explanation:** The Madhavendra Palace at Nahargarh Fort in Jaipur will open a sculpture park with artworks by leading artists in December.

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267). In which state President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated the International Gita Mahotsav recently?

a. Chhattisgarh  
b. Odisha  
c. Haryana  
d. Punjab  
e. None of these  

**Answer: C**  
**Explanation:** President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated the International Gita Mahotsav at Kurukshetra in Haryana.

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268). Which bank has launched blockchain based international payment service recently?

a. ICICI Bank  
b. Federal Bank  
c. Axis Bank  
d. Yes Bank  
e. None of these  

**Answer: C**  
**Explanation:** Private sector lender Axis Bank has launched an instant international payment services using Ripple’s enterprise blockchain technology solution for retail and corporate customers.

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269). Name the Indian online payments company which has launched cryptocurrency exchange “Coinome” in India?

a. Direct pay  
b. Citrus pay  
c. PayUmoney  
d. BillDesk  
e. None of these  

**Answer: D**  
**Explanation:** Indian online payments company BillDesk has launched cryptocurrency exchange Coinome in
India which allows for the trading of Bitcoin and Bitcoin Cash.

270). Name the temple which was awarded as Most visited place of the world?
   a. Meenakshi Amman Temple  
   b. Golden Temple  
   c. Venkateshwara Temple  
   d. Somnath Temple  
   e. None of these  
   **Answer: B**  
   **Explanation:** The Golden Temple in Amritsar has been awarded the ‘most visited place world’ by London-based organisation, World Book of Records (WBR).

271). Who won the European Golden shoe award recently?
   a. Tom Brady  
   b. Cristiano Ronaldo  
   c. Lionel Messi  
   d. Tony Room  
   e. None of these  
   **Answer: C**  
   **Explanation:** Argentine forward Lionel Messi won his fourth European Golden Shoe award after netting 37 times in La Liga in 2016-17.

272). Name the wrestler who defeated Ritu bhogat in her final match and won U-23 Senior World Wrestling Championship?
   a. Demirhan  
   b. Geeta Bhogat  
   c. Jiang Zhu  
   d. Selishka  
   e. None of these  
   **Answer: A**  
   **Explanation:** Female wrestler Demirhan won gold medal and Ritu Phogat bagged the silver medal in U-23 Senior World Wrestling Championship being held at Poland.

273). Veteran journalist, political activist and social activist Om Saraf passed away recently, he belongs to which state?
   a. Gujarat  
   b. Kerala  
   c. Maharashtra  
   d. Jammu and Kashmir  
   e. None of these  
   **Answer: D**  
   **Explanation:** Veteran journalist, political activist and social activist, Om Saraf passed away in Jammu and Kashmir.

274). National Constitution Day was observed on which day?
   a. 18th November  
   b. 15th November  
   c. 22nd November  
   d. 24th November  
   e. 26th November  
   **Answer: E**  
   **Explanation:** National Constitution Day observed on November 26. On the day in 1949, the constitution was adopted which came into force on January 26, 1950 marking the beginning of a new era in the history of India.
d. 30th November
e. 20th November

Answer: B
Explanation: India celebrates National Milk Day on November 26, the birthday of Verghese Kurien, the Father of White Revolution in India.

276). Which country has sent relief material consisting of 3,000 family relief packs to Myanmar's Rakhine State?
a. China
b. Nepal
c. India
d. Pakistan
e. None of these
Answer: C
Explanation: India has sent relief material consisting of 3,000 family relief packs to Myanmar's Rakhine state, where violence has triggered an outflow of Rohingya refugees.

277). What is the name of joint army training exercise held between India and UK?
a. Prabal Dostyk
b. Mitra Shakti
c. Nomadic Elephant
d. Ajeya Warrior
e. None of these
Answer: D
Explanation: The third Indo-UK joint Army training exercise ‘Ajeya Warrior’ will be conducted in Rajasthan next month.

278). Which country successfully launched remote sensing satellites designed to conduct electromagnetic probes and other experiments?
a. China
b. Japan
c. Russia
d. USA
e. None of these
Answer: A
Explanation: China successfully launched remote sensing satellites designed to conduct electromagnetic probes and other experiments.

279). Name the country which conducted its parliamentary election after 18 years?
a. Bhutan
b. Nepal
c. Bangladesh
d. Myanmar
e. None of these
Answer: B
Explanation: Nepal witnessed the first phase of the two-phase parliamentary elections, held for the first time since 1999.

280). In which country China is going to start 3rd nuclear reactor?
a. India
b. Russia
c. Iran
d. Pakistan
e. None of these
Answer: D
Explanation: China National Nuclear Corporation (CNNC) and the Pakistan Atomic Energy Commission (PAEC) have signed a deal to build a third nuclear reactor with HPR1000 technology to meet Pakistan’s energy needs.

281). Which state has recently launched a portal for information on medical tourism?
282). Name the first Indian man who won the Asian marathon championship recently?
   a. Gopi Thonakal  
   b. Budhia Singh  
   c. Faunja Singh  
   d. Arun Bhardwaj  
   e. None of these  
   Answer: A  
   Explanation: Gopi Thonakal became the first Indian man to win the Asian Marathon Championship held at China’s Dongguan.

283). Who won the gold medal in Hong Kong open super series?
   a. P.V.Sindhu  
   b. Tai Tzu Ying  
   c. Sung Ji-hyun  
   d. Saina Nehwal  
   e. None of these  
   Answer: B  
   Explanation: Sindhu walked away with silver after finishing her campaign as the runner up in Hong Kong open super series. She lost the final 18-21, 18-21 against Chinese Taipei Tai Tzu Ying.

284). Name the scheme which was launched by Odisha government to boost aquaculture?
   a. Aquaculture Yojana  
   b. Pisciculture Yojana  
   c. Fish Pond Yojana  
   d. Algae Culture Yojana  
   e. None of these  
   Answer: C  
   Explanation: Odisha government launched a scheme ‘Fish Pond Yojana’ to boost fish production in the state with a budgetary provision of 96 crore rupees.

285). Which state in India has inaugurated Asia’s number One command control room, Real Time Governance (RTG) in the Secretariat complex recently?
   a. Telangana  
   b. Andhra Pradesh  
   c. Karnataka  
   d. Tamil Nadu  
   e. None of these  
   Answer: B  
   Explanation: Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu inaugurated Asia’s Number One command control room, Real Time Governance (RTG) in the Secretariat complex.

286). Which state in India has approved death penalty for raping girls aged below 12?
   a. Madhya Pradesh  
   b. Maharashtra  
   c. Mizoram  
   d. Manipur  
   e. None of these  
   Answer: A  
   Explanation: The Madhya Pradesh Cabinet has approved a resolution to award death sentence to rape
287). Which Insurance company launched first ever micro insurance plan “insurance khata” recently?
   a. Life Insurance Corporation
   b. United India Insurance
   c. Bajaj Alliance Life Insurance
   d. India First Life Insurance
   e. None of these
   Answer: D
   Explanation: IndiaFirst Life Insurance (IndiaFirst Life) has launched an unique micro-insurance plan ‘insurance khata’ targeted at those in the informal sector and agricultural labors with seasonal incomes.

288). Name the person who was elected as the president of Press club of India recently?
   a. Mohua Chaterjee
   b. Gautam Lahiri
   c. Sanjay Singh
   d. Manoranjan Bharati
   e. None of these
   Answer: B
   Explanation: Gautam Lahiri was elected as the president of the Press Club of India while Manoranjan Bharati became its new vice-president. Mohua Chaterjee was elected PCI’s treasurer.

289). Who was elected as the new MD & CEO of Aegon Life Insurance recently?
   a. K S Gopalakrishnan
   b. Saba Adil
   c. Vineet Arora
   d. Tarun Chugh
   e. None of these
   Answer: C
   Explanation: Aegon Life Insurance has appointed Vineet Arora as the Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer, effective January 2018.

290). Name the country with which India has signed anti terror pack recently?
   a. China
   b. Pakistan
   c. UK
   d. Russia
   e. None of these
   Answer: D
   Explanation: India and Russia agreed to help each other in combating terrorism.

291). India and which country signed Air Services Agreement and MoU on Cooperation in the field of New and Renewable Energy?
   a. Germany
   b. Greece
   c. Greenland
   d. Gambia
   e. None of these
   Answer: B
   Explanation: India and Greece signed Air Services Agreement and MoU on Cooperation in the field of New and Renewable Energy in New Delhi.

292). Who has been crowned Miss Universe 2017?
   a. Demi-Leigh Nel-Peters
   b. Laura González
   c. Davina Bennett
   d. Manushi chiller
   e. None of these
   Answer: A
   Explanation: South Africa’s Demi-Leigh Nel-Peters has been crowned Miss Universe 2017, becoming the
second woman from South Africa to win the title. Laura González first runner up, Davina Bennett second runner up.

293). Who won the best actor award in Bosphorus International Film Festival recently?
   a. Shahid Kapoor
   b. Ishaan Khatter
   c. Nikola Ristanovski
   d. Szabolcs Hajdu
   e. None of these
   Answer: B
   Explanation: Actor Shahid Kapoor’s half-brother Ishaan Khatter won the Best Actor Award for his debut film ‘Beyond the Clouds’ at Istanbul’s 5th International Bosphorus Film Festival.

294). Who won Asian Kabbadi Championship recently?
   a. Iran
   b. India
   c. Pakistan
   d. Iraq
   e. None of these
   Answer: B
   Explanation: The Indian men’s and women’s kabaddi team defeated Pakistan 36-22 in the finals of the Asian Kabaddi Championship 2017 in Iran to win the gold medal.

295). Which of the following countries won the Davis cup title after 16 years?
   a. Finland
   b. Germany
   c. Greece
   d. France
   e. None of these
   Answer: D
   Explanation: France defeated Belgium 3-2 to win Davis Cup, dubbed the World Cup of Tennis, for the first time in 16 years and 10th time overall.

296). Who was the winner of Abu Dhabi grand prix?
   a. Lewis Hamilton
   b. Valtteri Bottas
   c. Sebastian Vettel
   d. Kimi Raikkonen
   e. None of these
   Answer: B
   Explanation: Valtteri Bottas won the season-ending Abu Dhabi Grand Prix from pole position, beating his Mercedes teammate Lewis Hamilton as Formula One’s season finale petered out into a procession.

297). Who was the winner of F1 World championship 2017?
   a. Lewis Hamilton
   b. Valtteri Bottas
   c. Sebastian Vettel
   d. Kimi Raikkonen
   e. None of these
   Answer: A
   Explanation: Mercedes driver Lewis Hamilton won his fourth F1 World Championship, finishing the season with 363 points after securing second position in the last race at the Abu Dhabi Grand Prix.

298). How many medals India bagged in Para Badminton World Championships?
   a. 12
   b. 13
   c. 14
   d. 10
   e. None of these
   Answer: D
India clinched 10 medals, including two Gold, at the Para Badminton World Championships that concluded at Ulsan in South Korea.

299). Where does 8th edition of Global Entrepreneurship Summit held recently?
a. Amravati  
b. Vishakhapatnam  
c. Hyderabad  
d. Nellore  
None of these  
Answer: C  
Explanation: Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 8th edition of the Global Entrepreneurship Summit (GES) in Hyderabad.

300). Name the board council which reduces pass mark for 10th and 12th Standard Classes Recently?
a. IB Board  
b. CBSE  
c. Anglo Indian board  
d. ICES  
None of these  
Answer: D  
Explanation: Council for the Indian School Certificate Examination, CISCE has reduced the pass marks criteria for ICSE or class 10 and ISC or Class 12 Board Examination.

301). India agreed to provide how many US dollars to Afghanistan for developing transport facilities?  
a. 2.05 million  
b. 2.87 million  
c. 2.25 million  
d. 2.58 million  
e. None of these  
Answer: B  
Explanation: India will provide financial assistance of 2.87 million US Dollar to Afghanistan for the refurbishment of 350 buses to help in strengthening the public transport system of capital Kabul.

302). Name the Bank which agreed to provide 150 million USD to Nepal?
a. Asian Infrastructure Development Bank  
b. Asian Development Bank  
c. World Bank  
d. New development Bank  
e. None of these  
Answer: B  
Explanation: The Asian Development Bank will provide a 150 million USD loan to Nepal to improve its urban infrastructure.

303). Which of the following state tops in Organ donation?  
a. Kerala  
b. Uttar Pradesh  
c. Karnataka  
d. Tamil Nadu  
e. None of these  
Answer: D  
Explanation: National Organ and Tissue Transplant Organisation presents award in New Delhi for the third time in a row, the Tamil Nadu state had bagged the first place in organ transplantation in the country.

304). Government constitutes 15th Finance Commission under the chairmanship of former bureaucrat NK Singh, Who was appointed as the Secretary of this Commission recently?  
a. Ashok Lahiri  
b. Ramesh Chand  
c. Arvind Mehta
d. Anoop Singh  
e. None of these  

**Answer: C**  

**Explanation:** The Government has constituted the 15th Finance Commission. Former bureaucrat and ex-Member of Parliament NK Singh will chair the Commission which will make recommendations for the five years commencing 1st April 2020. Arvind Mehta will be the Secretary to the Commission.

305). Who was appointed as UK’s first ever female ambassador to the UN?  
a. Nicole Kidman  
b. Karen Pierce  
c. Tong Dawe  
d. Hai Qing  
e. None of these  

**Answer:** B  

**Explanation:** Karen Pierce, political director general at the Foreign Office, has become the UK’s first ever female ambassador to the UN.

306). Which of the following Institute is not in Top 50 management schools, according to the recent report of QS ranking?  
a. IIM-Kanpur  
b. IIM-Ahmadabad  
c. IIM-Bangalore  
d. ISB-Calcutta  
e. None of these  

**Answer:** A  

**Explanation:** Among the top 50 management institutes across the whole world, as per QS rankings, three Indian institutes – Indian Institute of Management (IIMs) – IIM Ahmedabad, IIM Bangalore and Indian School of Business Calcutta have secured their ranks under Global MBA rankings.

307). Who won the ITTF Challenge Spanish Open title recently?  
a. Vijay Sundhar Prasath  
b. Prakash Amirtraj  
c. G.Sathiyan  
d. Divij Sharan  
e. None of these  

**Answer:** C  

**Explanation:** India’s 24-year-old table tennis player G Sathiyan clinched the gold medal after defeating Japan’s Kazuhiro Yoshimura 4-2 in the men’s singles final of the 2017 ITTF Challenge Spanish Open in Almeria.

308). Who won the IBSF World Snooker Championship title 2017?  
a. Pankaj Advani  
b. Ronnie O’Sullivan  
c. Peter Ebdon  
d. Mark Williams  
e. None of these  

**Answer:** A  

**Explanation:** Indian cueist Pankaj Advani defeated Amir Sarkhosh of Iran to win his 18th international title in the form of the 15-frame IBSF World Snooker Championship in Doha.

309). Name the formula one grand prix racer who announced his retirement recently?  
a. Valtteri Bottas  
b. Kimi Raikkonen  
c. Daniel Ricciardo  
d. Felipe Massa  
e. None of these  

**Answer:** D
**Explanation:** Felipe Massa bowed out of Formula One in Abu Dhabi with his head held high and one last point in a career that brought him 11 wins and nearly a world championship with Ferrari.

310). The International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People was observed on which day?

a. 15th November  
b. 20th November  
c. 27th November  
d. 25th November  
e. 29th November

**Answer:** E  
**Explanation:** The International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People was observed by the United Nations on or around 29 November each year.

311). Indian Election commission has tied up with which technological giant to encourage youth to vote?

a. Hike  
b. Google  
c. Facebook  
d. Youtube  
e. None of these

**Answer:** C  
**Explanation:** The Election Commission and Facebook announced a partnership under which the social media giant will remind the youth who recently turned 18 to register to vote by sending them reminders on their Facebook profile. The remainder will be sent in 13 languages.

312). Which country supports India to become the permanent member in UN Security Council?

a. Germany  
b. USA  
c. Russia  
d. Greece  
e. None of these

**Answer:** D  
**Explanation:** Greece supports India in its bid for permanent membership in the UN Security Council.

313). How much crores does Bangladesh recently approved for Bhashan Char island project?

a. 1500 crore  
b. 1700 crore  
c. 1800 crore  
d. 2000 crore  
e. None of these

**Answer:** C  
**Explanation:** Bangladesh has approved over ₹ 1,800 crore to transform the Bhashan Char island into a temporary camp for Rohingya refugees, despite warnings that the island could be inundated by floods.

314). India and which country had recently agreed to deepen the Security cooperation?

a. Malaysia  
b. Singapore  
c. Japan  
d. China  
e. None of these

**Answer:** B  
**Explanation:** India and Singapore have agreed to further deepen security cooperation to collectively tackle the threat of terrorism.

315). Which country test-fired its highest-ever intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) recently?

a. South Korea  
b. North Korea  
c. Russia  
d. China  

316. In which state was the union petroleum minister has recently inaugurated pipeline project to transfer petroleum products to other states?

a. Haryana  
b. Punjab  
c. Chhattisgarh  
d. Odisha  
e. None of these  

**Answer:** C  
**Explanation:** Union Petroleum Minister Dharmendra Pradhan dedicated to the nation one thousand and seventy-three kilometers long Paradip-Raipur-Rachi pipeline in Chhattisgarh’s Korba.

317. Name the payment bank which was launched by the union finance minister Arun Jaitley recently?

a. Airtel Payments Bank  
b. Fino Payments Bank  
c. Indian Post Payments Bank  
d. Paytm Post Payments Bank  
e. None of these  

**Answer:** D  
**Explanation:** Finance Minister Arun Jaitley formally launched the Paytm Payments Bank in New Delhi.

318. Name the E-commerce giant who has makes Aadhaar linkage mandatory for user to track lost packages?

a. Amazon  
b. Flipkart  
c. Snapdeal  
d. Shopclues  
e. None of these  

**Answer:** A  
**Explanation:** E-commerce giant Amazon has made mandatory for users to link Aadhaar details to their accounts in order to track lost packages.

319. Who was appointed as first Woman General Secretary of Lok Sabha?

a. Sheila Dikshit  
b. Snehlata Shrivastava  
c. Vasundhara Raje  
d. Ambika Soni  
e. None of these  

**Answer:** B  
**Explanation:** Snehlata Shrivastava has been appointed as the Secretary General of the Lok Sabha. She would take over from Anoop Mishra.

320. Name the person who was appointed as the first Chairman of Anti-Profitpeering authority?

a. JC Chauhan  
b. Bijay Kumar  
c. BN Sharma  
d. CL Mahar  
e. None of these  

**Answer:** C  
**Explanation:** The Centre has appointed senior IAS officer BN Sharma as the first Chairman of the National Anti-Profitpeering Authority under the newly introduced Goods and Services Tax (GST).

321. Name the person who was appointed as the India’s Sherpa for G20 recently?

a. Arvind Panagariya  
b. Shaktikanta Das  
c. Snapdeal  
d. Shopclues  
e. None of these  

**Answer:** A  
**Explanation:** E-commerce giant Amazon has made mandatory for users to link Aadhaar details to their accounts in order to track lost packages.
c. Montek Singh Ahluwalia  
d. Rajiv Gauba  
e. None of these  

**Answer: B**  
**Explanation:** Shaktikanta Das, the former Economic Affairs secretary, was appointed as India's Sherpa to G20.

322). Name the IAS officer who was appointed as the CMD of Air India recently?  
a. Pradeep Singh Kharola  
b. Ashwani Lohani  
c. Rajiv Bansal  
d. Gargi Kaul  
e. None of these  

**Answer: A**  
**Explanation:** Senior IAS officer Pradeep Singh Kharola has been appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of Air India.

323). Which film has bagged Golden peacock award for best film at 48th International film festival of India (IFFI) held recently in Goa?  
a. Happy End  
b. Dunkirk  
c. Call me by your name  
d. 120 beats per minute  
e. None of these  

**Answer: D**  
**Explanation:** Robin Campillo’s French film ‘120 Beats Per Minute’, which deals with the subject of AIDS, won the Golden Peacock Award for best film at the 48th International Film Festival of India (IFFI) in Goa.

324). Name the Football player who was honored with a statue in Real Madrid Museum recently?  
a. Lionel Messi  
b. Cristiano Ronaldo  
c. Zlatan Ibrahimović  
d. Luis Suarez  
e. None of these  

**Answer: B**  
**Explanation:** Portuguese captain Cristiano Ronaldo has been honored with a new bust at the club’s Real Madrid museum at Santiago Bernabeu.

325). E Chandrasekharan who passed away recently, he was a member of which state first Assembly?  
a. Maharashtra  
b. Karnataka  
c. Tamil Nadu  
d. Kerala  
e. None of these  

**Answer: D**  
**Explanation:** E Chandrasekharan Nair, who was a member of the first Kerala Assembly, died at Thiruvananthapuram. He was 89.

326). Where does Hindustan Times leadership summit recently held?  
a. Kolkata  
b. Hyderabad  
c. Mumbai  
d. New Delhi  
e. None of these  

**Answer: D**  
**Explanation:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurates the Hindustan Times Leadership Summit in New Delhi.

327). Higher Education Funding Agency (HEFA) has approved how much crores for six higher educational institutions to improve research infrastructures?  
a. 2660 crore  
b. 2066 crore
328). Where does two annual meet of Shanghai Cooperation Organization held recently?
   a. Shanghai, China  
   b. Manila, Philippines  
   c. Sochi, Russia  
   d. Tokyo, Japan  
   e. None of these  
   Answer: C  
   Explanation: The annual meeting of Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) begins in Russian city of Sochi.

329). Name the country which was planning to launch independent internet for BRICS nation?
   a. Brazil  
   b. Russia  
   c. India  
   d. China  
   e. None of these  
   Answer: B  
   Explanation: Russia’s Security Council has reportedly asked the country’s government to develop an independent internet infrastructure for BRICS nations, which would continue to work in the event of global internet malfunctions.

330). Which bank has approved proposal to setup MTN programme to raise money on private placement basis?
   a. ICICI bank  
   b. Axis bank  
   c. Federal bank  
   d. Yes bank  
   e. None of these  
   Answer: D  
   Explanation: Private sector lender Yes Bank has approved proposal to set up MTN programme to raise $1 billion (about Rs 6,500 crore) on private placement basis. The Medium Term Note (MTN) programme, an instrument to raise money through debt securities that typically mature in 5-10 years, is within the overall borrowing limit of Rs 20,000 crore.

331). Which bank is the first bank to raised interest rate on bulk deposits of over Rs 1 crore by one per cent?
   a. Allahabad Bank  
   b. Indian Overseas Bank  
   c. Central Bank of India  
   d. Canara Bank  
   e. State Bank of India  
   Answer: D  
   Explanation: The country’s largest lender State Bank of India raised interest rate on bulk deposits of over Rs 1 crore by one per cent, effective November 30.

332). Name the foundation which has recently entered into partnership with SBI to create 2 lakh bank accounts?
   a. Antarang Foundation  
   b. Ashadeep Foundation  
   c. Lupin Foundation  
   d. Mahelerchen Foundation  
   e. None of these  
   Answer: B  
   Explanation: Russia’s Security Council has reportedly asked the country’s government to develop an independent internet infrastructure for BRICS nations, which would continue to work in the event of global internet malfunctions.
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| 333). Which insurance company has recently got NOD from SEBI for IPO? | a. Sun life  
b. Met life  
c. Bajaj alliance  
d. Reliance Insurance  
e. None of these | D |
| 334). Name the bank which tie-up with Boston consulting group for transforming initiatives? | a. Karur Vysya bank  
b. Karnataka bank  
c. Federal bank  
d. Lakshmi Vilas bank  
e. None of these | B |
b. Subash Kak  
c. Ashok Das  
d. Krishnan Sabnani  
e. None of these | C |
| 336). Name the first Sikh woman was elected as a Mayor of Yuba city in US? | a. Gulab Kaur  
b. Harita Kaur Deol  
c. Mata Khivi  
d. Preet Didbal  
e. None of these | D |
| 337). Name the female barrister’s portrait, whose portrait will be the first portrait of a female lawyer to be displayed in a Supreme Court library recently? | a. Margaret Thatcher  
b. Kapila Hingorani  
c. Mary Robinson  
d. Linda Dobbs  
e. None of these | B |
| 338). Which state Chief Minister unveils Logo and Mascot of Hockey world cup 2018 recently? | a. Haryana  
b. West Bengal | A |
c. Odisha
d. Madhya Pradesh
e. None of these

**Answer: C**

**Explanation:** Logo and mascot of Hockey World Cup 2018 have been unveiled at Kalinga Stadium in Bhubaneswar by Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik.

339). Name the youngest Indian who won World weightlifting championship recently?

a. Sathish Sivalingam
b. Karnam Malleshwari
c. Muhammed Asdullah
d. Maribai Chanu
e. None of these

**Answer: D**

**Explanation:** India’s Mirabai Chanu has bagged the country’s maiden gold at the 2017 World Weightlifting Championships held in Anaheim, USA.