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NOTE: This file contains the most important 'Question-Answer' points pertaining to the current affairs news from 1st April 2022 to 12th September 2022.

1. Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Ltd (MDL) has launched the third Stealth Frigate of Project 17A named '_____':

Answer: Taragiri

- Taragiri is named after a hill range in Himalayas located at Garhwal, Uttarakhand.
- It is built by Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Ltd (**MDL**) and is designed by the Indian Navy's in-house design organisation viz. **Bureau of Naval Design**.

2. Who has been honoured with the 31st Vyas Samman Award for the play 'Mahabali'?

Answer: Asgar Wajahat

3. The Government of Odisha has launched a Rs 270 crore rainwater harvesting scheme '_____' to improve the groundwater table.

Answer: 'Community Harnessing and Harvesting Rainwater Artificially from Terrace to Aquifer' (CHHATA)

4. Max Life Insurance has launched a 3-in1 market linked solution called '_____' that provides health and enhanced life cover, along with market-linked investment returns.

Answer: Smart Flexi Protect Solution

5. Braj Basi Lal has passed away recently. He was a renowned _____.

Answer: Archeologist

- **Awards:** Padma Bhushan in 2000 and Padma Vibhushan in 2021

6. Which state of India has received the International Travel Award 2023 for 'Best Destination for Culture'?

Answer: West Bengal

7. Name the lender that has become the first Public Sector Bank (PSB) to go live with the new Direct Tax Collection System-Tax Information Network (TIN 2.0).

Answer: Bank of India (BoI)

8. _____ has launched a 'Rainbow Savings Account' for the transgender community to promote a trans-friendly or inclusive labour culture.

Answer: ESAF Small Finance Bank

9. A 47-member National-level committee for drafting a new National Cooperation Policy Document has been constituted under the chairmanship of _____.

Answer: Suresh Prabhu

10. The National Security Council Secretariat (NSCS), India and _____, in collaboration with BAE Systems, have successfully designed and conducted a Cyber Security Exercise, a virtual ransomware drill for 26 countries.

Answer: United Kingdom (UK)

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11. International Literacy Day (ILD) is observed annually on 8th September. What is the theme of ILD 2022?

Answer: "Transforming Literacy Learning Spaces"

| Important Day | Date/Month | Theme for 2022 | Remark |
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| World Coconut Day | 2nd September | Growing Coconut for a Better Future and Life | |

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| Rashtriya Poshan Maah | 1st to 30th September 2022 | | In 2022, the key focus is on "Mahila aur Swasthya" and "Bacha aur Shiksha". |
| National Nutrition Week | 1st to 7th September 2022 | World of Flavors | |
| International Vulture Awareness Day | First Saturday of September (3rd September 2022) | | |
| National Teachers' Day | 5th September | | The day commemorates the birth anniversary of Dr Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, who was the second President of India and a well-renowned educationist. |
| International Day of Charity | 5th September | | The day commemorates the death anniversary of Mother Teresa. She received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979. |
| International Day of Clean Air for blue skies | 7th September | The Air We Share | The day was first observed in 2020. |
| International Literacy Day | 8th September | Transforming Literacy Learning Spaces | |
| World Physiotherapy Day | 8th September | Osteoarthritis and the Role of Physiotherapists | |
| International Day to Protect Education from Attack | 9th September | | |
| World Electrical Vehicle(EV) Day | 9th September | | The day was first observed in 2020. |
| Himalaya Day | 9th September | Himalayas will be safe only when the interests of its | The day is observed annually in the state |

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| | | residents are protected | of Uttarakhand since 2015. |
| World Suicide Prevention Day | 10th September | Creating hope through action | |
| National Forest Martyrs Day | 11th September | | The day is observed to commemorate the anniversary of the Khejarli Trees Massacre in 1730. |
| United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation | 12th September | | |

12. What is the total outlay for the 'Prime Minister Schools for Rising India' (PM-SHRI Schools) scheme?

Answer: Rs. 27,360 crore

- PM-SHRI is a **centrally sponsored scheme** for upgradation and development of 14500 Schools across the country.
- The scheme will be implemented with a total project cost of **Rs.27,360 crore** for five years (2022-23 to 2026-27), of which the central share will be **Rs 18,128 crore**.

13. Recently, the Union Minister of Commerce and Industry Piyush Goyal has launched '_____' initiative in San Francisco to connect startups in India to US-based investors.

Answer: SETU (Supporting Entrepreneurs in Transformation and Upskilling)

14. India's largest solar panel manufacturer WAAREE has collaborated with which lender to finance projects for consumers and channel partners?

Answer: State Bank of India (SBI)

15. Switzerland has topped the 2021 Human Development Index (HDI), while India has been ranked _____ among 191 countries in 2021, as against 131 in 2020.

Answer: 132nd

- **Top 3 countries:** Switzerland (0.962), Norway(0.961), and Iceland (0.959)
- India has been ranked 132nd with the HDI value of **0.633**.

16. The state government of _____ has launched the 'Indira Gandhi Urban Employment Scheme' to provide 100 days of employment in a year to families residing in urban areas.

Answer: Rajasthan

17. Recently, NITI Aayog, in partnership with World Resources Institute (WRI), India, has launched India's first national electric freight platform, named _____ to enable road based electric freight transition.

Answer: e-FAST India (Electric Freight Accelerator for Sustainable Transport - India)

18. Which country's Volker Turk has been appointed as the next UN High Commissioner for Human Rights?

Answer: Austria

19. 'Rajpath', stretching from Rashtrapati Bhavan to India Gate, has now been renamed as "_____".

Answer: Kartavya Path

- The entire stretch and the area from the Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose statue at India Gate to the Rashtrapati Bhawan will be known as "Kartavya Path".
- During the British rule, Rajpath was known as '**Kingsway**', named after King George V. It was built as a ceremonial boulevard by Edwin Lutyens and Herbert Baker, the architects of New Delhi, in around 1920.

20. The Indian cities, Nilambur and Thrissur in _____, and Warangal in _____ have become India's first entrants in the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) Global Network of Learning Cities (GNLC).

Answer: Kerala; Telangana

- 77 cities from 44 countries across the globe have joined the UNESCO Global Network of Learning Cities in 2022. With this, the total number of cities within the UNESCO GNLC is **294**.

21. Which State/UT of India has secured the first rank in terms of the number of disposal and entry of cases through the e-Prosecution portal, which is managed by the Central Government of India under its Digital India Mission?

Answer: Uttar Pradesh

22. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has selected _____ (in partnership with Crunchfish AB) and Precision Biometric India Private Limited for the Test Phase of the 'On Tap' application facility for the theme 'Retail Payments' under RBI's Regulatory Sandbox (RS).

Answer: HDFC Bank

23. Who has won an Emmy Award for narration in the Netflix documentary "Our Great National Parks"?

Answer: Barack Obama

24. Liz Truss has been elected as the new Prime Minister of _____.

Answer: United Kingdom (UK)

25. India's first Dark Sky Reserve will be set up at Hanle in _____.

Answer: Ladakh

26. Which three States of India have topped among larger states in terms of the overall implementation of the POSHAN Abhiyaan at the National Level in 2020?

Answer: Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh and Gujarat

- Among the smaller states, **Sikkim** is the best performer.
- **Dadar and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu** has topped among Union Territories (UTs).

27. _____ has been declared as the Best Aspirational District in India.

Answer: Haridwar (Uttarakhand)

28. Krishnan Sankarasubramaniam has been appointed as the new Managing Director (MD) & Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of which lender?

Answer: Tamilnad Mercantile Bank

| Important Appointments of August | | | |
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| Post/Designation | Person | State/Country/Organization | Remark |
| Principal Director-General (DG) | Satyendra Prakash | Press Information Bureau (PIB) | He has succeeded Jaideep Bhatnagar. |
| Principal Director-General (DG) | Manish Desai | Central Bureau of Communication | |
| Country Director for India | Auguste Tano Kouamé | World Bank | He has succeeded Junaid Kamal Ahmad. |
| Director General | Sujoy Lal Thaosen | Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) | He has succeeded Sanjay Arora. |
| Police Commissioner | Sanjay Arora | Delhi | He has succeeded Rakesh Asthana. |
| Central Vigilance Commissioner (CVC) | Suresh N. Patel | Government of India | He has succeeded Sanjay Kothari. |
| Surgeon | Lt Gen Daljit Singh | President of India | |
| Director | Shweta Singh | Prime Minister's Office (PMO) (India) | |
| Chief Financial Officer (CFO) | Nalin Negi | BharatPe | |
| Chairman | Ravinder Takkar | Vodafone Idea Limited | |
| Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) | Ranjit Rath | Oil India Limited (OIL) | |
| Director-General (DG) | Nallathamby Kalaiselvi | Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) | She is the first woman DG of CSIR. She will also hold the charge as |

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| | | | secretary, Department of Scientific and Industrial Research. |
| Vice-President | Jagdeep Dhankhar | Government of India | He has become the 14th Vice President of India |
| President | Arkady Dvorkovich (Russia) | International Chess Federation (FIDE) | He has been re- elected for a second term. |
| Deputy President | Viswanathan Anand | International Chess Federation (FIDE) | |
| Cabinet Secretary | Rajiv Gauba | Government of India | He has been given 1-year extension. |
| Managing Director (MD) & Chief Executive Officer (CEO) | Inderjit Camotra | Unity Small Finance Bank | |
| President | Gustavo Petro | Colombia | |
| Prime Minister | James Marape | Papua New Guinea | |
| Chief Justice of India (CJI) | Justice Uday Umesh Lalit | Supreme Court of India | He will succeed Justice NV Ramana. |
| Non-official directors | Satish Kashinath Marathe, Swaminathan Gurumurthy, Revathy Iyer, and Sachin Chaturvedi | Reserve Bank of India (RBI) | |
| Head of Mission and Chief Military Observer | Rear Admiral Guillermo Pablo Ríos (Argentina) | United Nations Military Observer Group in India and Pakistan (UNMOGIP) | |
| CEO | Piyush Goyal | NATGRID (National Intelligence Grid) | |
| CMD | Ashok K K Meena | Food Corporation of India (FCI) | |

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| Director | Archana Varma | National Water Mission | |
| MD | Gitanjali Gupta | Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation | |
| President | William Ruto | Kenya | |
| Executive Secretary | Simon Stiell | United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) | |
| MD & CEO | Rajkiran Rai G | National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID) | |
| MD & CEO | Gopal Vittal | Bharti Airtel | |
| MD & CEO | Vijay Shekhar Sharma | Paytm | |
| Trustee | Ashish Dhawan and Dr Helene D. Gayle | Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation | |
| Secretary | Rajesh Verma | President of India | |
| Member | Alkesh Sharma, Vint Cerf, and Maria Reesa | Internet Governance Forum (IGF) Leadership Panel | |
| Executive Director | Meenesh C Shah | National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) | |
| Director | Debasisa Mohanty | National Institute of Immunology (NII) | |
| High Commissioner | Vikram K Doraiswami (India) | United Kingdom | |
| Executive, Vice-President and Head | Sajith Sivanandan | Disney+ Hotstar | |
| Prime Minister | Colonel Abdoulaye Maiga | Mali | |
| Non-Executive Directors | Gopal Jain and Dr Sivakumar Gopalan | RBL Bank | |
| Executive Director for India | K.V. Subramanian | International Monetary Fund (IMF) | He will succeed Surjit S Bhalla. |
| MD & CEO | Deepak Kumar Lalla | SBICAP Securities | He has succeeded Naresh Yadav. |
| MD | Mahendra N Shah | IDFC Limited | He will succeed Sunil Kakar. |

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| Chairman | Samir V. Kamat | Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) | He has succeeded G Satheesh Reddy who has been named as Scientific Adviser to Defence Minister. |
| Secretary | Vipnesh Bharadwaj | All India Chess Federation (AICF) | |
| President (Interim) | Adille Sumariwalla | Indian Olympic Association | |
| Whole-Time Member (WTM) | Ananth Narayan Gopalakrishnan | Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) | |

29. Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) has successfully conducted test of an Inflatable Aerodynamic Decelerator (IAD) that will be used for landing payloads on Mars and Venus in future. IAD is developed by which of the following?

Answer: Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC)

30. Drone Fund (DF) of _____, one of the world's largest dedicated Venture Capital (VC) for promoting unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) ecosystem, has planned to invest up to USD 40 million in Indian companies working in the sector.

Answer: Japan

31. NHPC Limited has named its Director (Technical) _____ as the new Chairman & Managing Director (CMD) for a period of three months.

Answer: Yamuna Kumar Chaubey

32. As per the latest Bloomberg report, which has cited GDP figures from the International Monetary Fund (IMF), India has become the world's fifth-largest economy after surpassing which country?

Answer: United Kingdom (UK)

- Top 4 world economies: USA (1st), China (2nd), Japan (3rd), and Germany (4th).

33. Recently, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has launched a pilot project for the digitization of Kisan Credit Card (KCC) in Madhya Pradesh and Tamil Nadu. The partner banks of this project are _____.

Answer: Federal Bank and Union Bank of India

- This project is developed by the Reserve Bank Innovation Hub (RBIH) in association with RBI.

34. Which of the following lender has collaborated with Asian Development Bank (ADB) to support and promote Supply Chain Finance (SCF) solutions in India?

Answer: IndusInd Bank

- IndusInd Bank has launched a state-of-the-art digital portal for SCF -'earlyCredit' to enable 24*7 seamless processing of SCF transactions for corporates, suppliers & dealers.

35. Daimler India Commercial Vehicles (DICV), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Daimler Truck AG (Daimler Truck), has joined hands with _____ to develop future mobility solutions.

Answer: Indian Institute of Technology, Madras Incubation Cell (IITMIC)

36. Who has been named the new Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of global coffee giant Starbucks?

Answer: Laxman Narasimhan

37. India's first Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) fuelled Green Truck has been launched by Blue Energy Motors at which place?

Answer: Chakan in Pune, Maharashtra

38. _____ has launched the first cashback-focused credit card in India.

Answer: SBI Cards and Payment Services Limited (SBI Card)

- SBI Card has launched the 'CASHBACK SBI CARD', the industry's first and most comprehensive cashback credit card in India, to boost online spending.

39. To bridge the skill gap in the taxation space, PwC has tied up with which company?

Answer: Coursera

40. Former Indian goalkeeper _____ from West Bengal has been elected as the new President of All India Football Federation (AIFF).

Answer: Kalyan Chaubey

41. Ana Brnabic has recently been nominated to serve another term as Prime Minister of which country?

Answer: Serbia

42. "VentuRISE", a global start-up challenge, has been launched by which state/UT?

Answer: Karnataka

43. The Ministry of Women and Child Development is observing the _____ Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2022 from 1st to 30th September 2022.

Answer: Fifth

- The year 2022 aims to trigger Poshan Maah through Gram Panchayats as Poshan Panchayats with key focus on "Mahila aur Swasthya" and "Bacha aur Shiksha".

44. Recently, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has commissioned India's first indigenous aircraft carrier ' _____ ' in Kochi, Kerala.

Answer: INS Vikrant

- INS Vikrant is designed by the Indian Navy's in-house **Warship Design Bureau (WDB)** and built by **Cochin Shipyard Limited**.

45. Who has been appointed as the Director General (DG) of the News Services Division of All India Radio (AIR)?

Answer: Vasudha Gupta

46. The Cyber Security Exercise “_____” has recently been conducted by the Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) in collaboration with the Cyber Security Agency of Singapore.

Answer: Synergy

47. Muthoot FinCorp Ltd has collaborated with IME India to expand its money remittance services between _____.

Answer: Indo-Nepal corridor

48. Rajesh Kumar Srivastava has been appointed as the acting Chairman & Managing Director (CMD) of _____ for a period of 4 months.

Answer: Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC)

49. Which state/UT police force has become the first in the country to make the collection of forensic evidence mandatory in crimes punishable by more than six years?

Answer: Delhi Police

50. Reliance Industries will build India's first and one of the world's largest Carbon Fibre plants at which place?

Answer: Hazira (Gujarat)

51. National Nutrition Week is observed annually from 1st September to 7th September. What is the theme of the National Nutrition Week 2022?

Answer: 'World of Flavors'

52. Recently, Indian Railways have installed '_____' machines that convert water vapour in the air into potable water.

Answer: Meghdoot

- The Meghdoot machines are currently installed at Dadar, Thane and other stations of Mumbai Division.

53. The Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister (EAC-PM) has released the 'Competitiveness Roadmap for India@100'. This roadmap guides the way for India to become a high-income country by 2047 through sector-specific and region-specific policies based on the '_____' principles.

Answer: 4 S

- The '4 S' guiding principles redefine the approach to attaining prosperity by stressing the need for prosperity growth to be matched by social progress, to be shared across all regions within India, to be environmentally sustainable, and to be solid in the face of external shocks.

54. Which Indian city will host the 17th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas 2023?

Answer: Indore, Madhya Pradesh

- Pravasi Bharatiya Divas is observed annually on 9th January to commemorate the return of Mahatma Gandhi from South Africa to India on **9th January 1915**.

55. To promote and facilitate " _____ ", a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed between Pharmacopoeia Commission for Indian Medicine and Homoeopathy (PCIM&H) and Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission (IPC).

Answer: One Herb, One Standard

56. Recently, NHPC Limited has signed an Implementation Agreement with the Government of Himachal Pradesh for 500 megawatt (MW) _____ Hydroelectric project located in Chamba district, Himachal Pradesh.

Answer: Dugar

57. BOB Financial Solutions Limited (BFSL) and the Indian Army have launched _____, a co-branded RuPay credit card for the Indian Army personnel, in collaboration with the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI).

Answer: Yoddha

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58. Who has been appointed to replace Naresh Yadav as the new MD & CEO of SBICAP Securities?

Answer: Deepak Kumar Lalla

59. Who is the author of "A NEW INDIA: Selected Writings 2014-19"?

Answer: Arun Jaitley

60. Which nation has introduced the first fleet of hydrogen-powered passenger trains in the world?

Answer: Germany

61. The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved the appointment of _____ as Secretary of the Department of Defence Research and Development and Chairman of the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO).

Answer: Dr Samir V Kamat

62. The Government of India (GoI) has recently appointed K.V. Subramanian as the Executive Director for India in which of the following organization?

Answer: International Monetary Fund (IMF)

63. RailTel has collaborated with CloudExtel, a known Full Stack Network as a Service (NaaS) Provider, to launch India's first Shared _____ solution for congested locations.

Answer: Radio Access Network (RAN)

64. The Union Territory of _____ has become the first amongst States/UTs to establish an Atal Tinkering Lab (ATL) in partnership with the government think tank NITI Aayog.

Answer: Jammu & Kashmir

65. Anang Tal Lake, which has recently been declared a Monument of National Importance, is located in which state/UT?

Answer: Delhi

- Anang Tal Lake was built by the founder King of Delhi Anang Pal Tomar in 1052 AD.

66. As per the news, the 3rd Joint Committee Meeting (JCM) between India and _____ for cooperation in the field of MSMEs has been held in New Delhi.

Answer: Mauritius

67. Which lender has set to launch a campaign with Kochi Metro Rail Limited (KMRL) to promote the 'Kochi-1' smart card among subway commuters?

Answer: Axis Bank

68. 'MoneyAndMe', an investor education, and awareness initiative, has been launched by which of the following mutual fund company?

Answer: PGIM India Mutual Fund

69. Tata Steel has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Government of Punjab to set up a 0.75 million tonne per annum (MnTPA) long products steel plant with a scrap-based electric arc furnace (EAF) in _____.

Answer: Ludhiana

70. As per the latest data released by Benori Knowledge, India has become the _____ largest life insurer in the world by surpassing China and UK.

Answer: Tenth

- The life insurance penetration rate in India has grown to 3.2% in December 2021 from 2.8% in December 2019.

71. The Temple of Vedic Planetarium, the world's largest religious monument, will be setup in which state?

Answer: Mayapur in Nadia district of West Bengal

72. Recently, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the iconic 'Atal Bridge' over the _____ in Ahmedabad city of Gujarat.

Answer: River Sabarmati

73. Which of the following will administer the 'Millet Challenge', recently launched by the Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman?

Answer: Atal Innovation Mission (AIM)

74. India's first earthquake memorial, 'Smriti Van Memorial', has been inaugurated at which place?

Answer: Bhuj (Gujarat)

75. National Small Industry Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 30th August

76. Bank of Maharashtra (BoM) has introduced a new fixed deposit (FD) scheme named '_____':

Answer: Maha Dhanvarsha

77. BASIX Social Enterprise Group has launched an agritech platform BASIX Farmers' Market (BFM) in collaboration with _____ to integrate farmers into the digital economy.

Answer: Mastercard

78. According to the latest data by PGA Labs, the State Bank of India (SBI) has topped the debit card chart with 30% market share. Which lender has topped the credit card chart with 22% market share?

Answer: HDFC Bank

79. The Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers has recently implemented 'One Nation One Fertiliser' scheme. The scheme mandates all businesses to sell their products under '_____' brand.

Answer: Bharat

80. The National Highways Logistics Management Limited (NHLML), Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI) and Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL) have signed a tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for the swift development of _____ under Bharatmala Pariyojana.

Answer: Multi Modal Logistics Park (MMLP)

81. With which insurance company the Union Health Ministry has collaborated to create digital health IDs under Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission for all in India?

Answer: Edelweiss General Insurance

82. The National Health Authority (NHA) has recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Department of Social Justice and Empowerment (DoSJE), Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment (MoSJE), to deliver an inclusive and comprehensive health package for _____ under the Ayushman Bharat – Pradhan Mantri Jan Aarogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY).

Answer: Transgender

- The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (MOSJE) will fund Rs.5 lakh insurance cover per transgender beneficiary per annum.

83. "Mithila Makhana" from _____ has been awarded a Geographical Indication (GI) Tag.

Answer: Bihar

84. The Union Government of India has set the target to eliminate Kala-azar from country by_____.

Answer: 2023

- Kala-azar is a Neglected Tropical Disease (NTD) caused by a parasite called Leishmania, which is transmitted through the bite of sand flies.
- The World Health Organization (WHO) has set a target to eliminate Kala-azar by 2030.

85. The Securities & Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has joined the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI's) Account Aggregator (AA) network. As of 2022, how many public sector banks (PSBs) have joined the Account Aggregator (AA) network?

Answer: 12

86. NPCI International Payments Limited (NIPL), a wholly-owned subsidiary of National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI), has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the payments solutions provider PayXpert to introduce UPI payment and RuPay cards in which country?

Answer: United Kingdom (UK)

87. Finance has launched '_____ Reward Programme', a two-year long programme aims to strengthen the relationship between customers and bring back inactive customers.

Answer: Miligram

88. The Government of India (GoI) and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) have signed a USD 96.3 million loan agreement to provide safe drinking water and improve water supply and sanitation services in which state of India?

Answer: Himachal Pradesh

89. Which state of India will establish India's first Education Township on the idea of 'Single Entry, Multiple Exit'?

Answer: Uttar Pradesh

90. Godrej Agrovet has signed three Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Assam, Manipur, and Tripura state governments for the development and promotion of _____ cultivation in the region.

Answer: Oil Palm

91. HDFC ERGO General Insurance has introduced "_____", India's first electronic vehicle ecosystem to facilitate and accelerate the adoption of electric vehicles by addressing the needs of current and future EV owners.

Answer: All things EV

92. Digantara will set up India's first commercial Space Situational Awareness (SSA) observatory in which region of India?

Answer: Garhwal region (Uttarakhand)

93. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has announced a "_____" target on the occasion of 76th Independence Day to make India a developed nation in the next 25 years, when India will celebrate 100th Independence Day.

Answer: Panch Pran

Panch Pran (Five Resolutions):

- Build a developed India.
- Be proud of India's heritage and legacy.
- Erase all traces of servitude
- Unity & Solidarity
- Duties of citizens, which include the Prime Minister and Chief Ministers (CMs), as they are also responsible citizens.

94. The Central government and the board of National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID) has appointed _____ as its managing director (MD) for five years (2022-2027).

Answer: Rajkiran Rai G

95. Food Corporation of India (FCI) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which lender to provide the "Ultima Salary Package" to its employees?

Answer: Axis Bank

- Axis Bank has tied up with **SpiceJet** airline to launch a co-branded credit card.
- **Axis Bank** has been awarded the 'Asian Bank of the Year Award' at the IFR Asia Awards 2021.
- **Axis Bank** has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Assam Rifles and NIEDO to establish a Centre of Excellence, Wellness in Nagaland.

96. **Mandla**, a district in _____, which is a tribal-dominated region has become *India's first fully 'functionally literate' district.*

Answer: Madhya Pradesh

97. Recently, the first-of-its-kind database named _____ has been made operational for use by various central and state prosecution agencies tasked to enforce anti-drugs laws in India.

Answer: NIDAAN (National Integrated Database on Arrested Narco Offenders)

- The database has been developed by the **Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB)**.

98. Recently, Union Cabinet approved the signing of a contract between India and _____ to support the International Transport Forum (ITF) activities in the Indian Transport Sector.

Answer: France

99. Recently, IRDAI organized its first hackathon "Bima Manthan 2022". What is the theme of the hackathon?

Answer: Innovation in Insurance

100. Bengaluru-based **Central Power Research Institute (CPRI)** has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the _____ government to set up a Regional Testing Laboratory in Raipur.

Answer: Chhattisgarh

101. Which Indian state has become the first to distribute seed to farmers using blockchain technology?

Answer: Jharkhand

102. Sadbhavna Diwas is observed annually on **20th August** to commemorate the birth anniversary of who among the following Indian personality?

Answer: Rajiv Gandhi

103. The _____ has formed a strategic Co-Lending Partnership with **Incred Financial Services (IFSL)** to offer loans to MSME Borrowers at competitive rates

Answer: Central Bank of India

104. ExxonMobil Corporation has signed a Heads of Agreement (HoA) with _____ for deepwater exploration of oil & gas on the East and West coasts of India.

Answer: Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC)

105. Union Home Minister inaugurated the National Automated Fingerprint Identification System (NAFIS) during the NSS Conference 2022. This system has been developed by _____.

Answer: National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB)

106. India's first indigenously developed Hydrogen Fuel Cell Bus has been inaugurated at which place?

Answer: Pune, Maharashtra

107. Scientists of which country have developed the world's first synthetic embryo without sperm?

Answer: Israel

108. 'Goodfellows', a start-up for senior citizens, has been unveiled by who among the following?

Answer: Ratan Tata

109. BYD India, a manufacturer of new energy vehicles, has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which lender to provide finance to dealers?

Answer: HDFC Bank

- **HDFC Bank** has opened its first all-women branch at **Kozhikode** in **North Kerala** region.
- **HDFC Bank** has launched the industry-first 30-minute '**Xpress Car Loans**'.
- London-based **Santander UK** has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with **ICICI Bank** to facilitate the banking requirements of corporates operating across both countries.
- **HDFC Bank** has tied up with **Retailio**, India's largest B2B pharma marketplace, to launch a new range of co-branded credit cards.

- **HDFC Securities** has launched a Robo-advisory platform for all mutual fund investments named '**HDFC Money**'.
- **HDFC Limited** has partnered with Accenture to digitally transform its lending business.
- **HDFC Bank** has signed an MoU with a leading early-stage venture capital firm, **100X.VC** to support start-ups.

110. Union Minister of State (MoS), Ministry of Earth Science (MoES) Dr. Jitendra Singh has launched India's first Saline Water Lantern. What is the name of the lantern?

Answer: Roshni

111. "Putin: His Life and Times", a biography of the Russian President Vladimir Putin, has been authored by _____.

Answer: Philip Short

112. Which edition of the India International Seafood Show (IISS) will be held in Kolkata?

Answer: 23rd

113. The **Golden Joint** connecting two ends of the overarch deck of the world's highest railway bridge over **River Chenab** has been inaugurated in _____ district of **Jammu & Kashmir**.

Answer: Reasi

114. Which financial services company has won the 'Best Growth Performance Award' at the 22nd edition of Dun & Bradstreet of 'India's Top 500 Companies' corporate awards?

Answer: Muthoot Finance

115. Name the first Indian company to be listed on 'Forbes Cloud 100 List 2022' of the top 100 private cloud companies in the world.

Answer: RazorPay

116. "Udarashakti" is a bilateral air force exercise between India and which country?

Answer: Malaysia

- The **Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)** has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to establish its first international marketing and sales office in **Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia**.

117. Who is the first Indian to win a gold medal in the Commonwealth Games 2022?

Answer: Mirabai Chanu

118. Rakesh Jhunjhunwala has passed away recently. He was a renowned _____.

Answer: Investor

119. Which of the following has topped among the Indian Universities in the Academic sector in the Nature Index 2022?

Answer: University of Hyderabad

120. India's first Manufacturing Index Fund has been launched by which company?

Answer: Navi Mutual Fund

- **Edelweiss Mutual Fund**, an Asset Management Company (AMC), has launched “**Edelweiss Gold and Silver Exchange Traded Fund (ETF) Fund of Fund (FoF)**”.

121. To provide free education to Economically Weaker Section (EWS) students of government schools in private schools, the government of Haryana has introduced which one of the following schemes?

Answer: Cheerag (Chief Minister Equal Education Relief, Assistance and Grant)

122. Name the ministry that has joined hands with Microsoft and the Capacity Building Commission (CBC) to enhance the functional computer literacy of Civil servants of India.

Answer: Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship

123. What is the theme of International Youth Day 2022?

Answer: Intergenerational Solidarity: Creating a World for All Ages

| Important Day | Date/Month | Theme for 2022 | Remark |
|---|--------------------------------|--|---|
| World Lung Cancer Day | 1st August | | |
| Muslim Women's Rights Day | 1st August | | |
| World Breastfeeding Week | 1st to 7th August | Step up for breastfeeding: Educate and Support | |
| Hiroshima Day | 6th August | | The year 2022 marks the 77th anniversary of Hiroshima Day. |
| National Handloom Day | 7th August | | The day was first observed in 2015. |
| National Javelin Day | 7th August | | |
| ASEAN Day | 8 th August | Stronger Together | |
| Nagasaki Day | 9 th August | | |
| International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples | 9 th August | The Role of Indigenous Women in the Preservation and Transmission of Traditional Knowledge | |
| World Lion Day | 10 th August | | The day was first observed in 2013. |
| World Biofuel Day | 10 th August | Biofuels towards a Carbon Neutral World | The day was first observed in 2015. |
| World Elephant Day | 12 th August | | |
| International Youth Day | 12 th August | Intergenerational Solidarity: Creating a World for All Ages | |
| World Sanskrit Day | 12 th August (2022) | | The day is observed annually on the occasion of Shraavana Poornima. |
| International Lefthanders Day | 13 th August | | The day was first observed in 1976. |
| World Organ Donation Day | 13 th August | | |
| Partition Horrors Remembrance Day | 14 th August | | |

| Independence Day of India | 15 th August | | |
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| Important Day | Date/Month | Theme for 2022 | Remark |
| World Photography Day | 19th August | Pandemic Lockdown Through The Lens | The day was first observed in 2010. |
| World Humanitarian Day | 19th August | | |
| World Mosquito Day | 20th August | | |
| Sadbhavna Diwas | 20th August | | The year 2022 marks the observance of the 78th birth anniversary of Rajiv Gandhi. |
| Renewable Energy Day | 20th August | | The day was first observed in 2004. |
| World Senior Citizen's Day | 21st August | | |
| International Day of Remembrance and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism | 21st August | Memories | |
| International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief | 22nd August | | |
| Internaut Day | 23rd August | | The day marks the invention of the World Wide Web (WWW). Tim Berners Lee invented the WWW in 1989. |
| International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition | 23rd August | | |
| World Water Week | 23rd August-1st September | Seeing the Unseen: The Value of Water | |
| World Gujarati Language Day | 24th August | | The day commemorate the birth anniversary of the great writer of Gujarat 'Veer Narmad' |
| International Dog Day | 26th August | | |

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| Women's Equality Day | 26th August | | The day is observed annually across the USA. |
| International Day against Nuclear Tests | 29th August | | The day was first observed in 2010. |
| National Sports Day | 29th August | | The day commemorate the birth anniversary of Hockey Wizard Major Dhyan Chand. |
| National Small Industry Day | 30th August | | |
| International Day of the Victims of Enforced Disappearances | 30th August | | The day was first observed in 2011. |
| International Whale Shark Day | 30th August | The Future of Sharks: Guardians of Our Seas | |
| International Day for People of African Descent | 31st August | | The day was first observed in 2021. |

124. _____ has launched '**Kotak Crème**', a **lifestyle-focussed** corporate salary account

Answer: Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited

125. Which lender has collaborated with IBSFINtech to provide digital services for corporate clients?

Answer: Yes Bank

- **Yes Bank** has tied up with **SellerApp**, a seller-centric intelligence platform, to facilitate the adoption of Open Network Digital Commerce (**ONDC**) amongst the seller segment and help them expand their digital commerce footprint.

126. Justice Uday Umesh Lalit has recently been appointed as the _____ Chief Justice of India (CJI).

Answer: 49th

127. Piramal Capital & Housing Finance has tied up with which fintech platform to offer loans?

Answer: Paytm

- **Paytm**, a digital finance company, has collaborated with **Samsung** stores to facilitate smart payments as well as its loan service through deployment of point of sale (PoS) devices across India.

128. Which lender has collaborated with M1xchange to make a debut in the Trade receivables Discounting System (TReDs)?

Answer: HDFC Bank

129. Which one of the following has become the first Indian lender to frame a policy to fund makers of lab-grown diamonds?

Answer: State Bank of India (SBI)

- The **State Bank of India (SBI)** has recently decided to manage the **Indian Visa Application Centre (IVAC)** in **Bangladesh** for two more years.
- The **State Bank of India (SBI)** has introduced a unique term deposit programme called "**Utsav Deposit**" on the occasion of India's 76th year of Independence.
- The **State Bank of India (SBI)** has launched its first "state-of-the-art" dedicated branch for start-ups in **Koramangala** in **Bengaluru**, Karnataka.

130. Who has become the first Indian social psychologist to be inducted on the US Heritage Wall of Fame?

Answer: **Ramadhar Singh** (Amrut Mody School of Management of Ahmedabad University Professor)

131. A cross-border payments platform called "Global Pay" has been introduced by _____.

Answer: American Express

132. Which lender has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with SRM University in Andhra Pradesh to lend up to Rs 50 crore for start-ups?

Answer: Indian Bank

133. What is the name of the satellite built by 750 girl students from 75 schools across rural India to mark the 75th Anniversary of India's Independence?

Answer: AzaadiSAT

134. Who among the following has been appointed as the first woman Director-General of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR)?

Answer: Dr. Nallathamby Kalaiselvi

135. The _____ anniversary of the **August Kranti** or **Quit India Movement** has been observed on **8 August 2022**.

Answer: 80th

136. Who among the following has been elected Deputy President of the International Chess Federation (FIDE)?

Answer: Viswanathan Anand

137. Who among the following is the author of a book titled "*Reimagining South Asia*"?

Answer: Nagalaxmi M. Raman

138. _____ has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the **Kerala Development and Innovation Strategic Council (K-DISC)** and the **ICT Academy of Kerala (ICTAK)** as part of the Connect Career to Campus (CCC) campaign

Answer: LinkedIn

139. _____ has launched '**Viva Engage**', a new app in Teams that helps build community and connection, along with providing tools for personal expression.

Answer: Microsoft

- **Microsoft** has become the first big tech company to partner with the **Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC)**.

140. The Seekho Aur Kamao scheme has continued to surpass its target of earmarking **33%** of the total trained beneficiaries for female beneficiaries with **58.96%** female trainees in 2020-21. It is being implemented by the _____ from 2013-14.

Answer: Ministry of Minority Affairs

141. Hyderabad-based Indus International School has introduced **India's first Teaching robot** named "_____" to teach students.

Answer: Eagle

142. The **Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) digital payments index (DPI)** has increased to _____ in **March 2022**, compared to 304.46 for September 2021.

Answer: 349.30

143. _____ has joined hands with **Inspektlabs** to use Artificial Intelligence (AI) based technology to automate the vehicle inspection process.

Answer: Kotak General Insurance

- **Aegon Life Insurance** has launched **#PlayForOurHeroes** campaign.

144. The International Energy Agency (IEA), in its July 2022 update of the Electricity Market Report, has increased India's annual electricity demand from 6 percent to 7 percent in 2022. Headquarters of IEA is based in _____.

Answer: Paris, France

145. Union Bank of India (UBI) has planned to develop an automated solution 'SARAS' for the early resolution of stressed assets through a bad loan management system. What does 'R' in SARAS stand for?

Answer: Recovery

- **Stressed Asset Recovery Automated Solution (SARAS)**
- The **Union Bank of India (UBI)** has launched "**RACE**" as the goal for 2022. RACE stands for "grow RAM (retail, agriculture and MSME) loans, improve Asset quality, increase CASA (current account, savings account deposits) and increase Earnings."
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146. To manufacture _____, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed between ONGC and Greenko ZeroC.

Answer: Green Hydrogen

147. Which lender has collaborated with Yubi for co-lending with NBFCs?

Answer: Karnataka Bank

148. The National Institute for Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development (NIESBUD) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the _____ to develop entrepreneurial skills and create sustainable livelihood opportunities.

Answer: Hindustan Unilever Limited (HUL)

149. Nalin Negi has been appointed as the new Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of which fintech firm?

Answer: BharatPe

150. As per the news, the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which institute for knowledge sharing and research collaboration?

Answer: Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kanpur

- The Startup Incubation and Innovation Centre (SIIC) at **IIT Kanpur** has launched the **NIRMAN Accelerator Program**
- **Prasar Bharati** has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with **IIT Kanpur** to develop Next Generation Broadcast Solution and Roadmap for Digital Terrestrial Broadcasting consistent with emerging standards such as 5G Broadcast.
- **All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE)** has partnered with the **Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Guwahati** to develop solutions to problems of accessing water, electricity, and internet for the AICTE-affiliated technical institutions in North-East India.

151. _____ has launched scheme namely **Senior Able Citizen for Re-employment in Dignity (SACRED)** for the purpose of bringing the employment seeker senior citizens through SACRED portal.

Answer: Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment

152. The Goods and Services Tax (GST) collection in July 2022 is _____.

Answer: Rs 1.48 lakh crore

| GST Collections in Different months of 2022 | |
|---|--------------|
| Jan 2022 | 1.40 lakh Cr |
| Feb 2022 | 1.33 lakh Cr |
| March 2022 | 1.42 lakh Cr |
| April 2022 | 1.68 lakh Cr |
| May 2022 | 1.41 lakh Cr |
| June 2022 | 1,44,616 Cr |
| July 2022 | 1,48,995 Cr |

153. National Handloom Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 7th August

154. Name the lender that has tied up with Rupy to provide paperless loans for used cars.

Answer: IndusInd Bank

155. InsuranceDekho has collaborated with _____ to offer **pet insurance**.

Answer: Future Generali India Insurance

156. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has restructured its **Market Data Advisory Committee (MDAC)**. The committee is chaired by _____.

Answer: S Sahoo

- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has issued new norms on **settlement of running accounts** of clients' funds lying with stock brokers. The new guidelines will be effective from **1st October 2022**.

- Recently, SEBI has constituted an expert group of Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) to boost overseas flows into the country. . **K. V. Subramanian** will chair the committee.

157. _____ has topped among the Indian firms in the latest Global 500 ranking of top 500 companies published by Fortune for the year 2022.

Answer: Life Insurance Corporation (LIC)

158. The world's largest floating Solar Power Plant will be constructed in **Madhya Pradesh**. It will be built on _____, near **Omkareshwar Dam** in Khandwa.

Answer: Narmada River

159. Which lender has become the first lender in India to list its payment gateway platform on the new tax platform?

Answer: Federal Bank

160. Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Roads & Highways Department of _____ for the emergency supply of petroleum goods.

Answer: Bangladesh

- Bangladesh** has signed an agreement with India to curb trans-border crimes.

161. _____ has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Government of **Gujarat** to establish IT and IT-enabled Services (ITeS) Park in Vadodara.

Answer: Larsen & Toubro Limited (L&T)

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of various projects of the Shrimad Rajchandra Mission, Dharampur, in **Valsad** district, **Gujarat**.
- Gujarat** has become the first state in India to launch a semiconductor policy "**Gujarat Semiconductor Policy 2022-2027**".

162. Which of the following has become the first 100 percent Landlord Major Port of India having all berths being operated on the PPP model?

Answer: Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust (JNPT)

163. The _____ has unveiled two important initiatives: the **e-AMRIT** (Accelerated e-Mobility Revolution for India's Transportation) mobile application to spread awareness on electric mobility and the Report on Advanced Chemistry Cell Battery Reuse and Recycling Market in India.

Answer: NITI Aayog

164. _____ has been elected as the **15th President of India** in the 16th Presidential Election of 2022.

Answer: Droupadi Murmu

- National Democratic Alliance (NDA) candidate **Jagdeep Dhankhar** has recently become the **14th Vice President of India**.

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165. Which of the following has won the 68th National Film Awards for 'Best Hindi Film'?

Answer: Toolsidas Junior

166. Which of the following has become the first private player to enter the highly-regulated opium processing sector?

Answer: Bajaj Healthcare Limited

167. Which of the following has become the first Certified 'Har Ghar Jal' district in India?

Answer: Burhanpur (Madhya Pradesh)

168. The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has amended the Flag Code of India to allow the tricolour to be displayed in open and on individual houses or buildings throughout the day and night. Flag Code of India came into effect on which date?

Answer: 26th January 2002

169. In which Indian city a grand statue of Amar Shaheed Chandrashekhar Azad will be installed?

Answer: Bhopal

170. The Government of India (GoI) has set a target to raise the share of natural gas in the energy mix to _____ in **2030** from 6.3 percent currently.

Answer: 15 percent

171. HDFC Securities Limited has tied up with _____ to provide its clients with a demat account and its broking or investment services.

Answer: Equitas Small Finance Bank

172. _____ has launched a philately scholarship scheme **Deen Dayal SPARSH Yojana** (Scholarship for Promotion of Aptitude & Research in Stamps as a Hobby) for generating interest regarding Philately amongst students.

Answer: Department of Posts

173. Which nation will host the 2025 Women's ODI World Cup?

Answer: India

- **India** will host the **2025** Women's ODI World Cup, for the first time since 2013.
- **Bangladesh** will host the **2024** Women's T20 World Cup, while the **2026** edition will be held in **England**.
- **Sri Lanka** has secured hosting rights for the Women's T20 Champions Trophy **2027**, provided it qualifies for the event.

174. Recently, Nokia has signed a five-year contract with which company for digital transformation?

Answer: Wipro Ltd

175. Who has been crowned the title of Mrs India World 2022?

Answer: Sargam Kaushal from Jammu & Kashmir

- **Aarya Walvekar**, an Indian American teenager from Virginia, has been crowned **Miss India USA 2022**.

176. Indian Railways has collaborated with _____ to boost its delivery services in India by transporting packages in more than 110 inter-city routes, ensuring one to 2-day delivery for its customers.

Answer: Amazon India

177. Which lender has launched 'Empower Him', an industry-first, dedicated, male-centric committee to improve the workplace environment?

Answer: Union Bank of India (UBI)

178. The state government of Assam has recently launched 'Mission Bhumi Putra' to _____.

Answer: To issue digitalised caste certificates to students

179. Who has been appointed as the Principal Director General of the Press Information Bureau (PIB)?

Answer: Satyendra Prakash

- **Sujoy Lal Thaozen**, DG of Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB), has recently assumed the additional charge of the Director General of Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP).
- Vigilance Commissioner, **Suresh N. Patel** has been appointed as the new Central Vigilance Commissioner (CVC).
- **Rajarshi Gupta** has been appointed as the Managing Director (MD) of **ONGC Videsh Limited (OVL)**.
- **Ranjit Rath** has been appointed as the new Chairman and Managing Director of Oil India Limited (OIL).
- Union Government has recently appointed **Piyush Goyal**, a 1994 batch IAS officer of the Nagaland cadre, as the new CEO of **NATGRID (National Intelligence Grid)**.

Important Appointments of July

| Post/Designation | Person | State/Country/Organization | Remark |
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| Attorney General (AG) of India | K.K. Venugopal (15 th AG of India) | Government of India | <i>Article 76</i> of the Indian Constitution provides for the office of AG of India. |
| Chief Executive Officer (CEO) | Bill Ready | Pinterest | He has succeeded Ben Silbermann. |
| Chief Minister (CM) | Eknath Shinde | Maharashtra | The Maharashtra Legislative Assembly has 288 seats. |
| Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) | Sandeep Kumar Gupta | GAIL (India) Limited | He will replace Manoj Jain, who is scheduled to retire on 31st August 2022. |
| Chairman | Bhanu Pratap Sharma | Financial Services Institutions Bureau (FSIB) | FSIB has replaced the Banks Board Bureau (BBB). |
| President | T. Raja Kumar | Financial Action Task Force (FATF) | |
| Prime Minister (PM) | Yair Lapid | Israel | He has replaced Naftali Benett. |
| Managing Director (MD) & Chief Executive Officer (CEO) | Asit Rath | Aviva Life Insurance Company India | He will succeed Amit Malik. |
| Force Commander | Lt. General Mohan Subramanian | United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) | He has succeeded Lt General Shailesh Tinaikar. |
| Union Minister of Minority Affairs (Additional charge) | Smriti Irani | Government of India | She is serving as the Union Women and Child Development Minister. |

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| Union Minister of Steel (Additional charge) | Jyotiraditya Scindia | Government of India | He is serving as the Union Civil Aviation Minister. |
| Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha) | Ilaiyaraaja (Tamil Nadu); P T Usha (Kerala); V Vijayendra Prasad (Telangana); and Veerendra Heggade (Karnataka) | Government of India | Rajya Sabha now has nine nominated members out of 12 members . |
| Supreme Court Justice | Ketanji Brown Jackson | USA | She is the first Black woman to join US Supreme Court bench. |
| Chief Secretary | Vijay Kumar Janjua | Punjab | |
| President | Suranjan Das | Association of Indian Universities (AIU) | |
| High Commissioner | Mustafizur Rahman | Bangladesh | |
| President Designate | R Dinesh | Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) | Sanjiv Puri has been elected the Vice President of CII for 2022-23. |
| India's Sherpa | Amitabh Kant | Group of Twenty (G20) | He has replaced Piyush Goyal, Union Minister for Commerce & Industry. |
| President | Yashpal Sharma | Air Cargo Forum India (ACFI) | He has succeeded Cyrus Katgara. |
| MD & CEO | Paritosh Tripathi | SBI General Insurance | He has succeeded PC Kandpal. |
| Deputy Election Commissioner | R.K. Gupta | Election Commission of India (ECI) | |
| MD & CEO | Pratik Pota | Eureka Forbes | |

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| CMD | Madhulika Bhaskar | New India Assurance Company Ltd (NIACL) | She has succeeded Atul Sahai. |
| Chief Secretary | R.D. Dhiman | Himachal Pradesh | |
| Director (Technical) | V K Singh | REC Limited | |
| Whole-time Member | Jayanti Prasad | Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) | |
| Managing Director | Brijesh Gupta | RattanIndia Power Limited | |
| Acting President | Seif Ahmed (Egypt) | International Hockey Federation (FIH) | He has succeeded Narender Dhruv Batra (India). |
| MD & CEO | Ashish Chauhan | National Stock Exchange (NSE) | He has succeeded Vikram Limaye. |
| Governor (additional charge) | La Ganesan | West Bengal | He is serving as the Governor of Manipur. |
| Member | Raj Shukla | Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) | |
| Ethics Officer and Ombudsman | Vineet Saran | Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) | |
| President | Ranil Wickremesinghe | Sri Lanka | |
| Prime Minister | Dinesh Gunawardena | Sri Lanka | |
| MD | Rajarshi Gupta | ONGC Videsh Limited | He has succeeded Alok Gupta. |
| President | Droupadi Murmu | India | She is the first tribal woman and second Indian woman to be elected President of India. |
| MD | Vinayak Pai | Tata Projects | |
| Representative of India | Ennarasu Karunesan | International Association of Ports and Harbors (IAPH) | |
| Prime Minister | Ahmad Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah | Kuwait | |

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| CEO | Akshaya Moondra | Vodafone Idea | He will succeed Ravinder Takkar. |
| CEO | Nakul Jain | Paytm Payments Services Ltd (PPSL) | He has succeeded Praveen Sharma. |
| Chief Economist and Senior Vice President | Indermit Gill | World Bank | |
| MD | Sandeep Bharti | NDDDB MRIDA Limited | |
| President | Bajram Begaj | Albania | He has succeeded Ilir Meta. |
| MD & CEO | Ashok Gautam | India International Bullion Exchange (IIBX) | |
| High Commissioner | Pranay Kumar Verma | Bangladesh | |
| Ambassador | Sandeep Arya | Vietnam | |
| Additional Director (Independent) | Ravi Kishan Takkar | LIC Housing Finance Ltd (LIC HFL) | |

180. Tata Power, in collaboration with Ela Foundation, has released the fourth book in a series on 'Amphibians of the Northern Western Ghats'. The book has been authored by _____.

Answer: Dr. Satish Pande

181. The Ministry of Steel has recently constituted an **Advisory Committee** for **Secondary Steel Sector**. The committee will be headed by _____.

Answer: Jyotiraditya Scindia

182. The Government of India (GoI) has constituted a task force to monitor the monkeypox virus situation in the nation. The task force will be headed by who among the following?

Answer: Dr. VK Paul

183. SpaceX has launched 'Danuri', the first moon mission of which country?

Answer: South Korea

184. Income Tax Day is observed annually across India on which date?

Answer: 24th July

| Important Day | Date/Month | Theme for 2022 | Remark |
|--|-----------------------|---|---|
| National Broadcasting Day | 23 rd July | | |
| Income Tax Day | 24 th July | | |
| World Drowning Prevention Day | 25 th July | Do One Thing-to Prevent Drowning | The day was first observed in 2021. |
| World In Vitro Fertilization Day | 25 th July | | The day is observed to commemorate the birth of Louise Joy Brown, the World's first IVF baby. |
| Kargil Vijay Diwas | 26 th July | | The day marks victory in Operation Vijay in 1999. |
| International Day for the Conservation of the Mangrove Ecosystem | 26 th July | | |
| World Hepatitis Day | 28 th July | Bringing Hepatitis Care Closer to You | |
| World Nature Conservation Day | 28 th July | Living Sustainably in Harmony with Nature | |
| International Tiger Day | 29 th July | | |
| World Day Against Trafficking in Persons | 30 th July | Use and Abuse of Technology | |
| International Friendship Day | 30 th July | | |
| World Ranger Day | 31 st July | | |

185. India has recently added 11 more wetlands to the list of Ramsar sites to make total _____ **Ramsar sites** covering an area of **13,26,677 ha** in the country in the 75th year of Independence.

Answer: 75

- **Tamil Nadu** has maximum number of Ramsar sites (14), followed by Uttar Pradesh which has 10 Ramsar sites.

186. In which state Asia's largest Compressed Biogas (CBG) plant has recently commenced its commercial production?

Answer: Punjab

187. The Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) has launched a mascot for empowering consumers and generating awareness towards their rights. What is the name of the mascot?

Answer: Jagriti

188. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and which country's central bank have agreed to expand cooperation in payment systems, digital financial innovation, and anti-money laundering, and combating the financing of terrorism (AML-CFT)?

Answer: Indonesia

189. Who has won the women's singles title at the 2022 Singapore Open?

Answer: P.V. Sindhu (India)

190. Which state has recently (July 2022) launched the e-FIR service?

Answer: Uttarakhand

191. Who is the author of the book titled "The Dharma of Justice in the Sanskrit Epics"?

Answer: Ruth Vanita

192. Which of the following telescope has captured the distinct signature of water, along with evidence for clouds and haze, in the atmosphere surrounding a hot, puffy gas giant planet orbiting a distant Sun-like star?

Answer: James Webb Space Telescope (JWST)

193. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has approved the appointment of **Ashish Kumar Chauhan** as the MD and CEO of the _____.

Answer: National Stock Exchange (NSE).

194. Which lender has launched its new online tax payment service in association with the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT)?

Answer: Federal Bank

195. As per the latest Expat Insider Rankings 2022, _____ has topped the ranking while India has been ranked _____ among the 52 countries.

Answer: Mexico; 36th

196. Ben Stokes has recently announced his retirement from ODI cricket. He is associated with which country's national cricket team?

Answer: England

197. Recently (JULY 2022), Gautam Adani has surpassed Microsoft founder Bill Gates to rank _____ on the Forbes' Real-Time Ranking of the World's Billionaires list.

Answer: 4th

198. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has conducted the fifth round of the Survey on Remittances for the year 2020-21. As per the survey, the share of remittances from the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) region to India have declined from more than 50 percent in 2016-17 to around _____ in 2020-21.

Answer: 30%

199. Union Minister of State Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions Jitendra Singh has launched the first unique model to standardize Civil Service training institutions. What is the name of the model?

Answer: National Standards for Civil Service Training Institutions" (NSCSTI)

200. As per the Henley Passport Index 2022, the _____ passport is the world's most powerful passport. Indian passport has been ranked 87th in the index.

Answer: Japanese

201. Which state's Wildlife Department has launched the first-ever survey of blackbucks on the Godavari Islands?

Answer: Andhra Pradesh

202. 'Swanirbhar Naari' Scheme has been introduced by which state?

Answer: Assam

203. In July 2022, DBS Bank India has collaborated with which insurance company to provide life insurance solutions to its customers?

Answer: DBS Bank India

204. Standard Chartered Bank has recently (July 2022) launched a co-branded credit card in association with which online travel tech platform?

Answer: EaseMyTrip

205. Which of the following has become the first state in India to connect all registered commercial vehicles equipped with Vehicle Location Tracking Device (VLTD) with Emergency Response Support System (ERSS)?

Answer: Himachal Pradesh

206. Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh has launched _____ newly-developed Artificial Intelligence (AI)-Enabled Military products during the first 'AI in Defence' (AIDef) symposium and exhibition.

Answer: 75

207. Karnataka, Manipur and Chandigarh have topped in their respective categories in the third edition of NITI Aayog's India Innovation Index. The number of indicators has increased from 36 in the India Innovation Index 2020 to _____ in the India Innovation Index 2021.

Answer: 66

208. The Financial Services Institutions Bureau (FSIB) has recommended Rajkiran Rai G, a former Managing Director (MD) of the Union Bank of India, for the position of MD at NaBFID. What does acronym 'NaBFID' stand for?

Answer: National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID).

209. The State Bank of India (SBI) has received approval from its Board of Directors to issue bonds to raise up to _____ in Basel III bonds in FY23.

Answer: Rs.11, 000 crore

210. Union Government has launched the "JMI" logo to act as a certification of authenticity for which of the following products?

Answer: Jute Products (Jute Mark India)

211. What is the theme of World Brain Day 2022?

Answer: Brain Health for All

| Important Day | Date/Month | Theme for 2022 | Remark |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|--|---|
| World Day for International Justice | 17 th July | | |
| Nelson Mandela International Day | 18 th July | Do what you can, with what you have, where you are | |
| World Chess Day | 20 th July | | |
| International Moon Day | 20 th July | Lunar Exploration Coordination & Sustainability | The year 2022 marks the observance of the first International Moon Day. |
| World Brain Day | 22 nd July | Brain Health for All | |
| Pi Approximation Day | 22 nd July | | |

212. Which of the following state has appointed Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu India as a consultant to make the state a USD 1 trillion economy?

Answer: Uttar Pradesh

- The government of **Uttar Pradesh** has launched the “**Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyaya State Employees Cashless Medical Scheme**”.
- The Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Narendra Singh Tomar, has laid the foundation stone of the **Indo-Israel Centre of Excellence (CoE) for Vegetables** in **Chandauli, Uttar Pradesh**.

213. Union Home Minister Amit Shah has participated in the National Conference on 'Drug Trafficking and National Security' held at which place?

Answer: Chandigarh

214. Which state government has inked a tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with NITI Aayog and Reach to Teach organization for school education transformation?

Answer: Arunachal Pradesh

- The Government of **Arunachal Pradesh** has named the under-construction Greenfield airport in the state capital as "**Donyi Polo Airport**".
- The Border Road Organization (BRO) has planned to construct a first-of-its-kind pilot road stretch in the **Arunachal Pradesh** border area using steel slag.

215. A book titled “The Light We Carry” is written by _____.

Answer: Michelle Obama

Books & Authors

| Book | Author | Remark |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| The Life and Times of George Fernandes | Rahul Ramagundam | |
| Ganga: Reimagining Rejuvenating Reconnecting | Puskal Upadhyay and Rajiv Ranjan Mishra | Published by Rupa Publications India |
| The McMahon line: A century of discord | General JJ Singh | |
| Getting the Bread: The Gen-Z Way to Success | Prarthna Batra | |
| Mind Master: Winning Lessons From A Champion's Life | Viswanathan Anand (co-authored by sports journalist Susan Ninan) | Published by Hachette India |

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| The Dharma of Justice in the Sanskrit Epics | Ruth Vanita | Published by Oxford University Press |
| The Architect of the New BJP: How Narendra Modi Transformed the Party | Ajay Singh | Published by Penguin eBury Press |
| The Resilient Entrepreneur - Strategies to set you up for Success | Dhruti Shah | |
| Beyond the Misty Veil, Temple Tales of Uttarakhand | Aradhana Johri | |
| In the Shadow of a Legend: Dilip Kumar | Faisal Farooqui | |
| The Light We Carry | Michelle Obama | Published by Random House Publishing |
| Journey of a Nation : 75 years of Indian Economy | Sanjaya Baru | Published by Rupa Publications |
| Putin: His Life and Times | Philip Short | It is the biography of the Russian President Vladimir Putin |
| Bibi: My Story | Benjamin Netanyahu | |
| NETAJI: Subhas Chandra Bose's Life, Politics and Struggle | Krishna Bose | Translated to English from Bengali by Sumantra Bose |
| Sing, Dance and Pray: The Inspirational Story of Srila Prabhupada Founder-Acharya of ISKCON | Hindol Sengupta | |
| Bravo Yadav-Journey of Honorary Captain Subedar Yogendra Singh Yadav India's Youngest Param Vir Chakra Recipient | Deepak Singh | |
| Modi@20: Dreams Meet Delivery | Dr Bharat Barai | |
| Do Different: The Untold Dhoni | Amit Sinha & Joy Bhattacharjya | Published by India Viking |
| How China Sees India and the World | Shyam Saran | |
| Indians at Herod's Gate: A Jerusalem Tale | Navtej Sarna | |
| India's Economy from Nehru to Modi: A Brief History | Pulapre Balakrishnan | |

216. Reliance New Energy Limited, **Ola** Electric Mobility Private Limited, and **Rajesh** Exports Limited have signed the Program Agreement under Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme to build a total of _____ for **Advanced Chemistry Cell (ACC) Battery Storage**.

Answer: 50 Gigawatt hours (Gwh)

217. The Indian Air Force (IAF) has planned to retire all the four MiG-21 fighter squadrons by _____.

Answer: 2025

218. Andaman & Nicobar Command (ANC) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the _____ in Port Blair to boost inter-island connectivity under Udaan Scheme.

Answer: Airport Authority of India (AAI)

219. Industrial Promotion and Investment Corporation of Odisha (**IPICOL**) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the _____ for the upcoming **Make in Odisha (MIO) Conclave 2022**.

Answer: Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (**FICCI**)

220. BOB Financial Solutions Limited has launched the mobile application 'bobcard' in collaboration with which of the following?

Answer: IBM

221. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of multiple projects of **Sabar Dairy** at Gadhoda Chowki, Sabarkantha in Gujarat. These projects cost worth more than _____.

Answer: Rs 1,000 crores

222. Ahmedabad city and the state of _____ have been featured on TIME Magazine's List of World's Greatest Places of 2022.

Answer: Kerala

- The state government of **Kerala** has launched "**Lucky Bill App**" with an aim to curb **Goods and Service Tax (GST) evasion**.

223. Recently, the Ministry of Defence (MoD) has set a target of Rs.1.75 lakh crores in defence production by 2025, which includes the exports of _____.

Answer: Rs. 35,000 crore

224. Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) has launched the Knowledge Portal for Khadi to provide design directions to the Khadi institutions. Who is the CEO of KVIC?

Answer: Preeta Verma

225. Which bank has been awarded the Best Performing Bank Award in Tamil Nadu for the FY 2021-22 under the SHG Bank Linkage Programme category from NABARD?

Answer: Indian Bank

226. Which of the following has become the first private sector lender to be fully integrated with the new income tax portal?

Answer: Kotak Mahindra Bank

- **Yes Bank** has signed a binding term sheet with **JCF ARC LLC** and **JC Flowers Asset Reconstruction** for strategic partnership in relation to the sale of identified stressed loans of the bank.

227. Recently, the Asian Development Bank (ADB) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with which country to promote greater investment in the Asia and Pacific region?

Answer: Singapore

- The **New Development Bank (NDB)** has approved 5 new projects totalling **USD 875 million** for water, sanitation, ecotourism and transport. This investment will support commitments by Brazil, China and India towards the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

228. The Department of Consumer Affairs (DoCA) has formed a committee to develop a comprehensive framework on the 'Right to Repair'. Who among the following will head the committee?

Answer: Nidhi Khare

- The Ministry of Defence (MoD) has set up an **apex committee** to conduct performance and efficiency audits of capital procurements, logistics, inventory, and maintenance of assets of the armed forces. The committee will be headed by the **Defence Secretary (Presently, Ajay Kumar, IAS)**.

229. In National e-Governance Service Delivery Assessment, the website of which Union Ministry of India has been ranked first?

Answer: Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA)

230. The **Ministry of Women and Child Development** has issued detailed guidelines for the 'Mission Shakti' scheme. The norms of 'Mission Shakti' will be applicable with effect from _____.

Answer: 1st April 2022

231. _____ has been recognized as the '**World's Best SME Bank**' by Euromoney for the second time since 2018.

Answer: DBS Bank

232. Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) in association with which lender has launched a digital platform that allows customers to open National Pension System (NPS) accounts using mobile phones?

Answer: Bank of India (BOI)

233. _____ in Uttar Pradesh has been named the first "**Cultural and Tourism Capital**" of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)" for 2022-23.

Answer: Varanasi

234. India's *first underwater metro train* in Kolkata under the _____ for establishing metro connectivity between Howrah and Kolkata is underway and will be made fully functional by 2023.

Answer: Hooghly River

235. IRDAI has constituted the two task forces to resolve issues between insurers and re-insurers. Who among the following will head the task force for the life insurance sector?

Answer: Naveen Tahilyani

236. Union Minister of State (MoS) Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions Jitendra Singh has announced to set up Dr. Rajendra Prasad Memorial Award in which field?

Answer: Public Administration

237. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has officially inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of various development projects worth more than Rs. _____ at Deoghar in **Jharkhand**.

Answer: 16,800 crore

238. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated '**Shatabdi Smriti Stambh**' which has been built to commemorate 100 years of _____.

Answer: Bihar Vidhan Sabha

239. Bengaluru-based _____ has launched India's first indigenously developed lithium-ion cell '**NMC 2170**'.

Answer: Ola Electric

240. _____ -based **Samsung** has developed a new graphics **Dynamic Random-Access Memory (DRAM) chip** with a faster speed and improved power efficiency.

Answer: South Korea

241. The _____ has released the 16th edition of the **Global Gender Gap (GGG) Index 2022**.

Answer: World Economic Forum (WEF)

- **Iceland** has retained its position as the world's most gender-equal country, followed by Finland, and Norway.
- **Afghanistan** is the worst-performing country in the report.
- India has secured **135th position** out of 146 countries.

242. Who among the following has won the 2022 Austrian Grand Prix?

Answer: Charles Leclerc (Monaco)

- **Max Verstappen** has won the **2022 French Grand Prix**.
- Red Bull's **Max Verstappen** (Netherlands) has won the Formula One (F1) 2022 Hungarian Grand Prix.
- **Max Verstappen** has won the 2022 Spanish Grand Prix.
- **Max Verstappen** has won the first edition of the Formula 1 Miami Grand Prix 2022
- Netherlands Red Bull driver **Max Verstappen** has won the first edition of the Formula 1 Miami Grand Prix 2022
- Ferrari driver **Charles Leclerc** has won the F1 Australian Grand Prix 2022.
- Red Bull's **Sergio Perez (Mexico)** has won the 2022 F1 Monaco Grand Prix title
- Red Bull's **Max Verstappen** (Belgium-Dutch) has won the Azerbaijan Formula One Grand Prix 2022
- Red Bull's **Max Verstappen** (Netherlands) has won his **6th Formula One (F1) Canadian Grand Prix 2022**

243. Which airport is being constructed as India's first carbon-neutral airport?

Answer: Leh airport

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244. To launch the first sports city in the metaverse, which Indian cricketer has collaborated with Web3 fintech startup, Bliv.Club, and WIOM?

Answer: Shikhar Dhawan

245. Which of the following has become the first state to implement the New Education Policy (NEP) at pre-primary levels?

Answer: Uttarakhand

246. "Learn while you Earn" is an initiative of _____.

Answer: National Payments Corporation of India

247. Which Union Ministry of India has established a three-member commission for the delimitation of municipal wards in Delhi?

Answer: Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA)

248. Who has won the Mrs. Universe Divine Title?

Answer: Pallavi Singh (India)

249. Name the state/ UT that has launched the 'SAH-BHAGITA' scheme.

Answer: Delhi

250. 'Mind Master' is the autobiography of who among the following Indian personality?

Answer: Viswanathan Anand

251. Amitabh Kant has been appointed as India's Sherpa for the Group of Twenty (G20). He has replaced _____.

Answer: Piyush Goyal

252. Gita Gopinath has become the _____ Indian to feature on the "wall of former chief economists" of the International Monetary Fund (IMF)?

Answer: 2nd

253. A report titled 'Benchmarking India's Payment Systems – Follow-on exercise' states that India has shown significant progress, and emerged as a leader in large-value digital payment systems. The report has been released by _____.

Answer: Reserve Bank of India (RBI)

254. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated 'Akhil Bhartiya Shiksha Samagam' on the implementation of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 in which Indian city?

Answer: Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh

255. The National Monuments Authority (NMA) in a report called for the **Mangarh Hillock** in _____ to be designated as a national monument in honour of 1500 Bhil tribal freedom fighters.

Answer: Rajasthan

- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh has unveiled the statue of “**Veer Durgadas Rathore**”, a symbol of courage, valour and devotion to self, at Salwa Kalan near Jodhpur, **Rajasthan**.

256. Union Home Minister Amit Shah has virtually unveiled the ‘**Statue of Peace**’ of _____ in Srinagar, located in a temple in the Sonwar region.

Answer: Swami Ramanujacharya

257. Kharchi Festival, also known as the 'Festival of 14 Gods', is observed annually in which state?

Answer: Tripura

258. Name the lender that has collaborated with Shriram General Insurance to distribute insurance products.

Answer: City Union Bank

259. _____ has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the **Indian Air Force** to offer a defence service salary package with best-in-class benefits and features under its ‘Power Salute’ initiative.

Answer: Axis Bank

260. Which mutual fund entity has tied up with CAMSPay to introduce Unified Payments Interface (UPI) Autopay for immediate Systematic Investment Plan (SIPs)?

Answer: Tata Mutual Fund

261. The Karnataka Digital Economy Mission (KDEM) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which lender to open India’s first branch for startups?

Answer: State Bank of India

262. The _____ has approved the establishment of an 'Interim Operational Hub' in Abu Dhabi.

Answer: Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)

263. _____, a Metaverse Virtual Lounge, has been launched by Union Bank of India (UBI)

Answer: Uni-verse

264. Recently, India has become a _____ country to join Interpol's international child sexual exploitation (ICSE) database.

Answer: 68th

265. To eliminate _____ in India by 2025, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed between the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and the Ministry of Panchayati Raj.

Answer: Tuberculosis

266. Which of the following has become the first railway station in India to be equipped with Augmented Reality (AR) screens?

Answer: Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus (CSMT) in Mumbai

267. When is World Population Day observed annually?

Answer: 11th July

| Important Day | Date/Month | Theme for 2022 | Remark |
|------------------------------------|------------|----------------|--|
| National Chartered Accountants Day | 1st July | | The day commemorate the foundation of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) on 1st July 1949. |
| Goods and Services Tax (GST) day | 1st July | | Goods and Services Tax (GST) was launched on 1st July 2017. |

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| National Doctor's Day | 1st July | Family Doctors on the Front Line | The day commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr Bidhan Chandra Roy. |
| International Sports Journalists Day | 2nd July | | The day was first observed in 1994. |
| International Day of Cooperatives | First Saturday of July (2022: 2nd July) | Cooperatives Build a Better World | |
| World Unidentified Flying Objects (UFO) Day | 2nd July | | |
| International Plastic Bag Free Day | 3rd July | | The day was first observed in 2008. |
| World Zoonoses Day | 6th July | | |
| World Chocolate Day | 7th July | | The day was first observed in 2009. |
| World Kiswahili Language Day | 7th July | Kiswahili for peace and prosperity | Kiswahili language is widely spoken in Africa and sub-Saharan Africa. |
| National Students Day | 9 th July | | The day commemorate the foundation of Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP), a student organization. |
| National Fish Farmers Day | 10 th July | | The day was first observed in 2001. |
| World Population Day | 11 th July | A world of 8 billion: Towards a resilient future for all – Harnessing opportunities and ensuring rights and choices for all | The day was first observed in 1990. |

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| International Malala Day | 12 th July | | The day celebrates the birth anniversary of the Nobel Laureate Malala Yousafzai, who works for women's right to education across the globe. |
| World Paper Bag Day | 12 th July | | |
| World Youth Skills Day | 15 th July | Transforming youth skills for the future | The day was first observed in 2015. |

268. Brijendra K Syngal, former Chairman of Videsh Sanchar Nigam Ltd (VSNL), has recently passed away at the age of 82. He was known as the _____.

Answer: Father of the Indian Internet.

- Renowned archaeologist, and art expert **Dr Enamul Haque** has recently passed away in Dhaka
- Former President of Angola **Jose Eduardo dos Santos** has recently passed away in Barcelona, Spain.
- Renowned American actor **James Edmund Caan** has recently passed away in California, the USA. He is best known for playing the Sonny Corleone character in "The Godfather" film.
- The veteran Malayalam actor and filmmaker **Pratap Pothan** has recently passed away in Chennai.

| Deceased Person | Associated Field | Remark |
|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Peter Brook (UK) | Film & Theatre Director | Padma Shri (2021) |
| Tarun Majumdar | Film Director (Bengali) | Padma Shri (1990) |
| Ambika Rao | Actress and Assistant director (Malayalam) | |
| EN Sudhir | Football | |
| Narendra Singh | Politician (Bihar) | |
| P.P. Gopinathan Nair | Freedom Fighter | Padma Shri (2016) |
| Mohammad Barkindo (Nigeria) | Politician | He served as the Secretary-General of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) |

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| Jose Eduardo dos Santos | Politician | Former President of Angola |
| Luis Echeverria Alvarez | Politician | Former President of Mexico |
| James Edmund Caan | American Actor | He is best known for playing the Sonny Corleone character in 'The Godfather' film. |
| Avdhash Kaushal | Social Worker | Padma Shri (1986) |
| Barry Sinclair | New Zealand Cricketer | |
| Monty Norman | British composer | He was the man behind the iconic James Bond theme. |
| Shinzo Abe (former PM of Japan) | Politician | Padma Vibhushan (2021) Netaji Award (January 2022) |
| Brijendra K Syngal | Businessman | Known as the Father of the Indian Internet |
| Enamul Haque | Archaeologist | Padma Shri (2020) |
| Pratap Pothan | Actor and filmmaker (Malayalam) | |
| Nirmal Singh Kahlon | Politician | Former Speaker of Punjab |
| Dr Ajay Parida | Biologist & Researcher | Padma Shri (2014) |
| Bhupinder Singh | Ghazal singer | |
| Achuthan Kudallur | Artist (Abstract paintings) | |
| William David Trimble (Northern Ireland) | Politician | |
| Anant Yashwant Khare | Writer (Marathi) | |
| Paul Sorvino (USA) | Actor | |
| Atulananda Goswami | Writer (Assam) | Sahitya Academy Award (2006) for his novel 'Seneh Jorir Ganthi' |
| Bob Rafelson | Film Director, Writer, and Producer (USA) | |
| Sushovan Banerjee | Doctor | Known as 'One Rupee Doctor' Padma Shri (2020) |
| James Lovelock | Environmentalist & Scientist (British) | Proposed 'Gaia hypothesis' in 1972. |
| Balwinder Safri | Singer (Punjabi) | |

269. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed between Hindustan Aeronautics (HAL) and Safran Helicopter Engines, based in _____, to create a new joint venture (JV) to manufacture helicopter engines.

Answer: France

270. Which general insurance company has launched the 'Global Health Care' plan?

Answer: Bajaj Allianz General Insurance

- **Max Life Insurance Company Limited** has launched 'Smart Capital Guarantee Solution'.
- **Bajaj Allianz General Insurance** has launched an add-on motor insurance cover, called 'Pay As You Consume' (PAYC).

271. Union Ministry of Tribal Affairs has launched the 2nd phase of the GOAL 2.0 program in collaboration with Meta. What does 'GOAL' stand for?

Answer: Going Online As Leaders

272. Which of the following Indian city has been renamed 'Sambhajinagar' recently?

Answer: Aurangabad

273. What is the rank of India in the Global Startup Ecosystem Index (GSEI) 2022?

Answer: 19th

274. National Doctor's Day is observed annually on 1st July. The day commemorates the birth anniversary of which of the following Indian personality?

Answer: Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy

275. Which state has launched the 'Naari Ko Naman' scheme?

Answer: Himachal Pradesh

276. Which of the following company has launched 'Project Surya' in partnership with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and SEWA?

Answer: ReNew Power

- **ReNew Power** has successfully refinanced its 2024 maturity dollar-denominated bonds with amortising project debt from an Indian non-bank financial company.
- **ReNew Power** has recently raised **USD 1 billion** project loan through External Commercial Borrowings (ECB) in partnership with 12 international banks for its upcoming Hybrid Round-the-cock (RTC) battery-enabled project.

277. Who has been conferred with the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) Quality Ratna Award 2021?

Answer: Ashok Soota

278. Which Union Ministry of India administers the Prime Minister Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP)?

Answer: Ministry of Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises

279. The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) has recently approved the establishment of FSIB in place of the Banks Board Bureau (BBB). What does 'FSIB' stand for?

Answer: Financial Services Institutions Bureau (FSIB)

280. Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC) has organized a three-day "Grand Hackathon" in collaboration with which Institution?

Answer: National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)

281. Recently, The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has extended the deadline for the introduction of the Demat Debit and Pledging Instruction (DDPI) system from 1st July 2022 to _____.

Answer: 1st September 2022

282. A new book titled "Ganga: Reimagining Rejuvenating Reconnecting" has been authored by Puskal Upadhyay. The book has been co-authored by _____.

Answer: Rajiv Ranjan Mishra

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283. Recently, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) launched the 58th round of OBICUS of which sector?

Answer: Manufacturing Sector

284. Cyber VaultEdge, an insurance plan, has been launched by which general insurance company?

Answer: SBI General Insurance

285. Which of the following has become the first state in India to connect One District One Product (ODOP) mart with the Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC) platform?

Answer: Uttar Pradesh

286. Who has been appointed by PokerBaazi as its Brand Ambassador?

Answer: Shahid Kapoor

| Company | Brand Ambassador | Remark |
|--------------------|--|---|
| FanCode | Ravi Shastri (Cricketer) | |
| PokerBaazi | Shahid Kapoor (Bollywood Actor) | |
| Insecticides India | Ajay Devgn (Bollywood Actor) | |
| Garmin India | Kaustubh Radkar (Triathlete) | Kaustubh Radkar is an Ironman certified coach and is the first and only Indian to complete the Ironman Triathlon on 30 occasions. |
| Uttarakhand State | Rishabh Pant (Cricketer) | |
| Mastercard | Lakshya Sen, Kidambi Srikanth, Satwiksairaj | |

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| | Rankireddy, and Chirag Shetty (Badminton) | |
| Heads up for Tails (HUFT) | Kriti Sanon (Bollywood actress) | |
| DreamSetGo | Sourav Ganguly (Cricketer) | |
| Acefour Accessories | Jasprit Bumrah (Cricketer) | |
| Punyakoti Dattu Yojana (Karnataka Government) | Kiccha Sudeep (Kannada actor) | |
| Pintola | Sunil Chhetri (Footballer) | |

287. Who among the following has inaugurated India's first-ever India Animal Health Summit 2022?

Answer: Parshottam Rupala

288. Which of the following firm has been selected as a strategic technology provider by National Insurance Company Limited (NICL)?

Answer: Cognizant

289. On June 30, 2022, the Reserve Bank has released the _____ issue of the **Financial Stability Report** (FSR).

Answer: 25th

- RBI published the first **Financial Stability Report** (FSR) in **March 2010**.
- The **capital to risk weighted assets ratio** (CRAR) of scheduled commercial banks (SCBs) rose to a new high of **16.7 per cent**, while their **gross non-performing asset** (GNPA) ratio fell to a six-year low of **5.9 per cent** in March 2022.

290. Who has been appointed as the new Chief Minister of Maharashtra?

Answer: Eknath Sambhaji Rao Shinde

291. Which country has been named the “country of the year” in Vivatech 2022?

Answer: India

292. Who has become the first Indian Mountaineer to climb Mount Annapurna peak without supplemental oxygen?

Answer: Skalzang Rigzin

293. Which country has launched its first domestically built space rocket ‘Nuri’?

Answer: South Korea

294. National Statistics Day is observed annually on 29th June to commemorate the birth anniversary of _____.

Answer: Professor PC Mahalanobis

295. Who has become the new Chairman of Reliance Jio Infocomm?

Answer: Akash M. Ambani

296. A report titled 'India's Booming Gig and Platform Economy' has been launched by which of the following organisation?

Answer: National Institution for Transforming India (NITI) Aayog

297. The World Bank has approved how much million dollar loan to support the “India State Support Program for Road Safety”?

Answer: USD 250 million

298. The state government of _____ has launched the ‘Kashi Yatra’ scheme with a project outlay of Rs.7 crore.

Answer: Karnataka

- Swami Vivekananda Yuva Shakti Yojane has been launched by **Karnataka**.

299. Who has been honoured with the Golden Achievement Award 2021 by the International Tennis Hall of Fame and the International Tennis Federation (ITF)?

Answer: Vijay Amritraj

300. Which non-banking financial company (NBFC) has partnered with Worldline for point-of-sale (POS) payments?

Answer: Bajaj Finance Limited (BFL)

301. Who has won the title of Miss India Worldwide 2022?

Answer: Khushi Patel

302. Nitin Gupta has been appointed as the new Chairman of which of the following organization?

Answer: Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT)

- **Samant Kumar Goel** has been re-appointed as the head of the **Research & Analysis Wing (RAW)**.

303. India's largest floating solar power project has been commissioned in which place?

Answer: Kayamkulam, Kerala

304. Which country has launched a solid-fuelled rocket named "Zuljanah"?

Answer: Iran

305. Which team has won the Ranji Trophy 2022?

Answer: Madhya Pradesh

306. Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Defence Initiatives (DI) of which country for supply of Airborne Defence Suite (ADS)?

Answer: Belarus

307. Recently, RBI has extended the timeline for tokenization of debit and credit cards by which date?

Answer: 30th September 2022

308. Who has been appointed as the new CEO of NITI Aayog?

Answer: Parameswaran Iyer

309. Who has been appointed as the new Director-General of the National Investigation Agency (NIA)?

Answer: Dinkar Gupta

310. Which city has topped the Global Liveability Index 2022?

Answer: Vienna (Austria)

311. On which date 'Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyaan' (GKRA) was launched by the Government of India?

Answer: 20th June, 2020

312. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated a new portal 'NIRYAT'. NIRYAT stands for?

Answer: National Import-Export Record for Yearly Analysis of Trade

313. Which lender has launched the 'Campus Power' platform for the student ecosystem?

Answer: ICICI Bank

314. World Bank has approved three loans of how many dollars to fund an education project in Gujarat, a social protection program in Tamil Nadu, and a project to help recovery in the fisheries sector post the pandemic?

Answer: USD 562 million

315. In which state/UT is the Sindhu Darshan Festival organized every year?

Answer: Ladakh

316. _____ has launched an online savings bank (SB) account opening facility through 'Video-based Customer Identification Process (V-CIP)'.

Answer: Karnataka Bank

317. Which of the following General Insurance Company has partnered with Peerless Financial Products Distribution Ltd (PFDDL) to offer health products?

Answer: Liberty General Insurance

318. Which of the following has become the 36th state/UT to implement the 'One Nation One Ration Card' (ONORC) program?

Answer: Assam

319. **Max Life Insurance Company** has launched the 'Max Life Smart Fixed-return Digital Plan', a non-linked, non-participating, individual life insurance savings plan, in partnership with _____.

Answer: Policybazaar

320. _____ has launched a new portal called 'SIB TF Online' for its corporate EXIM customers.

Answer: South Indian Bank

321. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has extended the timeline for implementation of certain provisions of the master directions it issued on issuance of debit cards and credit cards from 1st July 2022 to _____.

Answer: 1st October 2022

322. The Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare (DoPPW) has announced to collaborate with which public sector lender to create an integrated pension portal?

Answer: State Bank of India (SBI)

- **State Bank of India (SBI)** has received in-principle approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to set up an **operations support subsidiary**.

323. According to the latest report of the World Gold Council (WGC), India has become the _____ largest gold recycler country in 2021.

Answer: 4th

324. The Army Training Command (ARTRAC) has collaborated with which institute to establish a 5G test bed?

Answer: IIT Madras

- Also, **IIT Madras** has launched the '**Nilekani Centre at AI4Bharat**' to promote Indian language.

325. Who among the following has authored a new book titled "Gautam Adani: The Man Who Changed India"?

Answer: RN Bhaskar

- Book titled '**Getting the Bread: The Gen-Z Way to Success**' has been authored by young YouTuber **Prarthna Batra**.

326. The **Ministry of Culture** has organized '**Yoga Mahotsav**' in collaboration with the _____ at Purana Qila in New Delhi.

Answer: Archaeological Survey of India (ASI)

327. Sunil Chhetri has been in the news recently. He is associated with which sport?

Answer: Football

328. Which of the following airport has been named the World Best Airport 2022?

Answer: Hamad International Airport, Qatar

329. The **23rd FIFA World Cup 2026** will be hosted by the _____.

Answer: USA, Canada and Mexico

330. Which telecom company has launched India's first multiplex in the metaverse named 'Xstream'?

Answer: Bharti Airtel

331. India's first-ever girl Panchayat, "**Balika Panchayat**", has been started in several villages of _____ **district of Gujarat**.

Answer: Kutch

332. Which of the following organization has released the 'Payments Vision 2025' document?

Answer: Reserve Bank of India (RBI)

333. According to the annual Global Trends Report by the UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR), nearly 5 million people in India were internally displaced due to climate change and disasters in 2021. The headquarters of UNHCR is located in _____.

Answer: Geneva, Switzerland

334. BIMSTEC Technology Transfer Centre (TTC) will be established in which place?

Answer: Colombo, Sri Lanka

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335. According to the World Competitiveness Index 2022, India's rank has improved from _____ in 2021 to 37th in 2022.

Answer: 43rd

336. What is the rank of India in the Global Skills Report (GSR) 2022 released by Coursera?

Answer: 68th

337. Gopi Chand Narang has passed away recently. He was a renowned scholar of which language?

Answer: Urdu

338. Haryana Government has signed a joint declaration with which country on water cooperation?

Answer: Israel

339. India's first private train under Bharat Gaurav scheme has started between _____.

Answer: Coimbatore and Shirdi

340. Which general insurance company has launched an "out-of-network cash advance" facility?

Answer: Edelweiss General Insurance (EGI)

341. Which state/UT has set up an oxygen generation plant in collaboration with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) India?

Answer: Delhi

342. International Day of Yoga is observed annually on 21 June. What is the theme of International Yoga Day 2022?

Answer: Yoga for Humanity

| Important Day | Date/Month | Theme for 2022 |
|---|-----------------------|---|
| World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) | 15 th June | Combatting Elder Abuse |
| International Day of Family Remittances | 16 th June | Recovery and Resilience through Digital and Financial Inclusion |
| World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought | 17 th June | Rising up from drought together |
| International Day for Countering Hate Speech | 18 th June | |

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| Global Wind Day | 15 th June | |
| World Sea Turtle Day | 17 th June | |
| Sustainable Gastronomy Day | 18 th June | |
| International Picnic Day | 18 th June | |
| International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict | 19 th June | |
| World Sickle Cell Day | 19 th June | |
| International Day of the Celebration of the Solstice | 21 st June | |
| World Music Day | 21 st June | |
| World Hydrography Day | 21 st June | Hydrography – contributing to the United Nations Ocean Decade |
| Day of the Seafarer | 25 th June | Your voyage - then and now, share your journey |
| World Micro-, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (MSME) Day | 27 th June | |
| United Nations Public Service Day | 23 rd June | Building back better from COVID-19: Enhancing innovative partnerships to meet the Sustainable Development Goal |
| International Widows' Day | 23 rd June | |
| International Day in Support of Victims of Torture | 26 th June | |
| National Insurance Awareness Day | 28 th June | |
| International Olympic Day | 23 rd June | |
| World Vitiliigo Day | 25 th June | |
| International Day of Parliamentarism | 30 th June | |

343. Recently, Union Communications Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw has announced that India will get a full-fledged 5G services by _____.

Answer: March 2023

344. Who among the following has become the 74th Grandmaster of India?

Answer: Rahul Srivatshav P

345. Which state of India has launched 'FRUITS' software?

Answer: Karnataka

- **Farmer Registration & Unified Beneficiary Information System (FRUITS)**

346. **UdeDeshkaAamNagrik (UDAN) scheme** has observed its 5th anniversary in 2022. UDAN was launched on _____ by the Ministry of Civil Aviation.

Answer: 21 October 2016

347. Which of the following has become the first country in Asia to legalize Marijuana?

Answer: Thailand

348. A vehicle monitoring system 'Suraksha-Mitra Project' has been launched in which Indian state?

Answer: Kerala

349. As per the latest World Investment Report released by UNCTAD, India has become the _____ largest recipient of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in 2021.

Answer: 7th

350. According to the recently released circular by the Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS), all "hyper-sensitive" airports in India will have to install a Perimeter Intrusion Detection System (PIDS) by which date?

Answer: 31st December 2023

351. Which lender has partnered with ZestMoney to expand its 'Cardless EMI' facility?

Answer: ICICI Bank

352. Ather Energy has collaborated with the State Bank of India (SBI) to provide customers with vehicle financing. 'Ather Energy' is owned by _____.

Answer: Hero MotoCorp

353. Which state has become the first Indian state to frame a Drone Policy?

Answer: Himachal Pradesh

354. Which platform has launched the SMBSaathi Utsav to help small businesses?

Answer: WhatsApp India

355. Who has been named the ambassador of the British Council's 'India-UK Together Season of Culture'?

Answer: A R Rahman

356. What is the rank of India in the 2022 Global Index of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)?

Answer: 121st

357. The festival of 'Sital sasthi', the marriage of Lord Shiva and Goddess Parvati, is observed in which state?

Answer: Odisha

358. Union Home Minister Amit Shah has inaugurated the **National Tribal Research Institute (NTRI)** in _____.

Answer: New Delhi

- Union Minister for Finance Nirmala Sitharaman has inaugurated the **National Museum of Customs and GST 'Darohar'** in Panaji, **Goa**.

359. Recently, the Union Cabinet has increased the authorized share capital of New Space India Ltd. (NSIL) from Rs. 1000 crore to _____.

Answer: Rs.7500 crore

360. India's first centralized AC railway terminal has become operational in which city?

Answer: Bangalore, Karnataka

361. Name the institute that has launched India's first Agri Land Price Index.

Answer: Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad

362. Mithali Raj has been in the news recently. She is associated with which sport?

Answer: Cricket

363. Which state has topped the State Food Safety Index (SFSI) 2022 among smaller states?

Answer: Goa

- **Larger states:** Tamil Nadu has topped the list with a score of 82, followed by Gujarat, and Maharashtra.
- **Smaller states:** Goa has topped among smaller states with a score of 56, followed by Manipur and Sikkim.
- **UTs:** Jammu & Kashmir has topped the list with a score of 68.5, followed by Delhi and Chandigarh.

364. As per the Environmental Performance Index 2022, India has been ranked ____ among 180 countries, while ____ has topped the index.

Answer: 180th; Denmark

365. Which small finance bank has tied up with Mobisafar to provide banking services across India?

Answer: Suryoday Small Finance Bank

- **Equitas Small Finance Bank** has launched an exclusive saving account for kids, 'ENJOI'

366. Goal 7 of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) is related to _____.

Answer: Affordable and Clean Energy

367. Which of the following has entered into a co-lending partnership with Easy Home Finance Limited to provide affordable home loans?

Answer: ICICI Home Finance Limited

- **Bajaj Finance Limited** has launched the financial education awareness initiative 'Har Time EMI On Time'.

368. The world's first Fishing Cat census has been conducted in which lake?

Answer: Chilika Lake in Odisha

369. World Environment Day is observed annually on 5th June. The theme of World Environment Day 2022 is _____.

Answer: Only One Earth

370. A report titled '*Digital payments in India: A \$10 trillion opportunity*' has been prepared by _____ in collaboration with **Boston Consulting Group (BCG)**.

Answer: PhonePe

- **Kotak Mahindra General Insurance Company** has partnered with **PhonePe** Insurance Broking Services Pvt. Ltd (PhonePe) to provide motor insurance.

371. **Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment** has launched the "SHRESHTA" scheme. SHRESHTA stands for _____.

Answer: Scheme for Residential Education for Students in Targeted Areas

372. 'Anchal', a special health care campaign, has been launched in which state?

Answer: Rajasthan (Karauli district)

373. Which Indian University has won the 'THE Awards Asia 2022' under the 'THE Datapoints Research Improvement Award' category?

Answer: Savitribai Phule Pune University

- **Savitribai Phule Pune University:** 'THE Datapoints Research Improvement Award' category

- **Amity University (Online):** 'Student Recruitment Campaign of the Year' category
- **Shoolini University of Biotechnology and Management Sciences (Solan, Himachal Pradesh):** 'Outstanding Support for Students' category

374. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has launched the '**Har Ghar Dastak 2.0**' campaign. The campaign is being supported by the _____.

Answer: United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF).

375. The Central Government has set a target to increase coal gasification to 100 million tonnes by which year?

Answer: 2030

376. Which country's hockey team has won the 2022 Men's Hockey Asia Cup title?

Answer: South Korea

377. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the world's first Nano Urea Liquid Plant at which place?

Answer: Kalol (Gandhinagar district of Gujarat, at a cost of Rs. 175 Crores)

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the headquarters of the **Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Centre (IN-SPACe)** in the Bopal area of **Ahmedabad**, Gujarat.

378. Which country has become the second country in the world to adopt Bitcoin as legal tender?

Answer: Central African Republic (CAR)

379. World Milk Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 1st June

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| World Bicycle Day | 3 rd June | | The day was first observed in 2018. |
| International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression | 4 th June | | |
| UN Russian Language Day | 6 th June | | |
| World Food Safety Day | 7 th June | Safer food, better health | |
| World Oceans Day | 8 th June | Revitalization: collective action for the ocean | The day was first observed in 2009 |
| World Accreditation Day | 9 th June | Accreditation: Sustainability in Economic Growth and the Environment | |
| International Albinism Awareness Day | 13 th June | United in making our voice heard | |
| World Blood Donor Day | 14 th June | | |

380. As per the recently released Top500 list of supercomputers, which of the following has become the world's fastest supercomputer?

Answer: Frontier

381. Who has become the first-ever Indian to win a medal in the International Canoe Federation (ICF) World Cup?

Answer: Prachi Yadav

382. Tamil Nadu government has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which payment bank to obtain a digital life certificate?

Answer: India Post Payments Bank

- **Airtel Payments Bank** has partnered with **Muthoot Finance** to offer gold loans through Airtel Thanks app.

383. The Government of India (GoI) has raised the premium for its flagship insurance schemes 'Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY)' and 'Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY)'. The annual premium for PMJJBY has been increased from Rs.330 to _____.

Answer: Rs.436

384. Who among the following has been appointed as the MD & CEO of the National Asset Reconstruction Company (NARCL)?

Answer: Natarajan Sundar

385. Who among the following will chair the Risk Management Review Committee (RMRC) recently restructured by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)?

Answer: Jayanth R Varma

- **Ashwani Bhatia** has been appointed as Whole Time Member (WTM) of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI).
- The Securities & Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has reconstituted its Advisory Committee on Mutual Funds. The 25-member advisory committee will be chaired by **Usha Thorat**.
- The Securities & Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has constituted a Building Advisory Committee to advise and assist on premises related matters like planning, acquisition, and furnishing. The 7-member committee will be headed by **BK Katyal**.
- SEBI has constituted a **20-member Hybrid Securities Advisory Committee (HySAC)**. The committee will be chaired by **K V Kamath**.
- SEBI has provided an additional payment option of the Unified Payments Interface (**UPI**) mechanism to retail investors to apply in the public issue of Infrastructure Investment Trust (InvITs) and Real Estate Investment Trust (REITs) for a payment of up to **Rs. 5 lakh** with effect from **1st August 2022**.

386. Which insurance company has launched the industry-first 'Smart Value Income Plan'?

Answer: Tata AIA Life Insurance Company Limited

387. The government has increased the maximum project cost for manufacturing units from Rs. 25 lakh to Rs. _____, and for service units from Rs. 10 lakh to Rs. 20 lakh under PMEGP Scheme.

Answer: 50 lakh

388. **Adani Green Energy** has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the government of **Andhra Pradesh** at the World Economic Forum for an investment of Rs.

_____.

Answer: 60,000 crore

389. Which Indian actor has been honoured with the Excellence in Cinema Award at the French Riviera Film Festival?

Answer: Nawazuddin Siddiqui

390. Name the ministry that has recently conducted a brainstorming session on Digital India BHASHINI with Researchers and Startups.

Answer: Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology

391. Name the digital payments firm that has planned to acquire the wealth management firm 'WealthDesk'.

Answer: PhonePe

392. Which Insurer has launched "Bima Ratna", a non-linked, non-participating, individual, savings life insurance plan?

Answer: Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC)

- **Tata AIA Life Insurance Company Limited** (Tata AIA Life) has launched a '**Smart Value Income Plan**'.

393. _____ has been appointed as an external member of the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) of the Bank of England.

Answer: Dr. Swati Dhingra

394. Which nation will build the world's largest Petroleum Research Centre?

Answer: Kuwait

- At an estimated cost of around USD 120 million in al-Ahmadi

395. The 'State of Inequality in India' report has been prepared by which institute?

Answer: Institute for Competitiveness

396. Which of the following non-banking financial company (NBFC) has launched the 'Loan Against Shares' facility?

Answer: Tata Capital Limited

397. Which country has hosted the QUAD Summit 2022?

Answer: Japan

398. As per the latest Travel and Tourism Development Index 2021, India has been ranked _____ among 117 economies, while _____ has topped the Index.

Answer: 54th; Japan

399. India's first Olympic Values Education Programme (OVEP) has been launched by which state/UT?

Answer: Odisha

400. Who is the author of the book titled 'Listen to Your Heart: The London Adventure'?

Answer: Ruskin Bond

401. The State Bank of India (SBI) has launched the 'Real-Time Xpress Credit' on its _____ platform.

Answer: YONO

402. Who has received the famous Sangita Kalanidhi Award of the Music Academy for the year 2021?

Answer: Tiruvarur' Bhakthavathsalam

- **Neyveli R Santanagopalan**, a renowned vocalist and guru, will receive the Sangita Kalanidhi award for the year **2020**.
- Eminent mridangam artiste and guru, '**Tiruvarur' Bhakthavathsalam**, will receive the award for the year **2021**.

- Lalgudi violin duo, **G J R Krishnan** and **Vijayalakshmi** will receive the award for the year **2022**.

403. Union Home Minister Amit Shah has inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of various infrastructure projects worth **Rs.1180 crore** in _____.

Answer: Arunachal Pradesh

404. Which of the following has become the first Indian state to commence commercial drone services in healthcare?

Answer: Uttarakhand

- **Uttarakhand** has constituted a 5-member expert committee to implement the **Uniform Civil Code (UCC)** in the state.

405. T N Manoharan has been appointed as the part-time chairman of which bank?

Answer: IDBI Bank

- RBI has approved the appointment of **R Subramaniakumar** as the new MD and CEO of **RBL Bank** for three years.

406. Which state/UT has launched the SAMBHAV portal?

Answer: Uttar Pradesh

- **SAMBHAV (Systemic Administration Mechanism for Bringing Happiness and Value)**

407. Who will head the six-member committee constituted by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to review customer service standards in banks, and NBFCs?

Answer: B P Kanungo

408. Who has been appointed as the new Lieutenant Governor of Delhi?

Answer: Vinai Kumar Saxena

409. The recently launched Indo-Pacific Economic Framework (IPEF) has how many member states?

Answer: 14

410. Which state has recorded the highest Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) inflow during the FY22?

Answer: Karnataka

411. Who has won the Amazon Smbhav Entrepreneurship Challenge 2022?

Answer: Subhash Ola

412. The Executive Committee of **National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG)** has approved **11 projects** with an estimated cost of approx. Rs. _____ to develop Water Infrastructure Projects along the River Ganga.

Answer: 660 crore

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413. In May 2022, RBI has asked all banks to provide the option of ICCW at their Automated Teller Machines (ATMs). What does 'ICCW' stand for?

Answer: Interoperable Card-less Cash Withdrawal

414. **Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL)** has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the _____ government for a period of **5 years**

Answer: Uttarakhand

415. Eicher Motors has appointed _____ as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Chennai-based **Royal Enfield**.

Answer: B Govindarajan

416. Which lender has partnered with Amazon Pay to offer UPI payments services?

Answer: RBL Bank

417. How many gold medals India has won at the ISSF Junior World Cup 2022?

Answer: 13 (13 Gold, 15 Silver, and 5 Bronze)

418. Ministry of Railways has partnered with which institute on the Hyperloop technology project?

Answer: IIT Madras

419. Which state government has announced the launch of India's first state-owned OTT platform named 'Cspace'?

Answer: Kerala

420. The **World Health Organization (WHO)** and _____ have recently launched the first **Global Report on Assistive Technology (GReAT)**.

Answer: United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)

421. The **First International Migration Review Forum (IMRF)** has been held under the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) in _____.

Answer: New York, USA.

422. National Research Development Corporation (NRDC) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which ministry of India for the enhancement of Capital Goods Scheme?

Answer: Ministry of Heavy Industries

423. Which Union Ministry of India has released a report titled 'Circular Economy in Municipal Solid and Liquid Waste'?

Answer: Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs

424. Recently, the Government of India (GoI) has announced the formation of the Cotton Council of India. Who among the following will chair the council?

Answer: Suresh Bhai Kotak

- **Bharti Airtel** has reappointed **Gopal Vittal** as Managing Director (MD) & Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the company.

425. Which company has acquired Patanjali Ayurved's food business for around Rs.690 crore?

Answer: Ruchi Soya

426. The **West Central Railway (WCR)** has developed a battery-operated dual-mode locomotive named '_____'.

Answer: Navdoot

427. Who is the author of the book titled 'A Place Called Home'?

Answer: Preeti Shenoy

428. **Bangalore International Airport Limited (BIAL)** has tied up with _____ and digital payment firm **Phi Commerce** to facilitate a one-stop omnichannel payment solution at Kempegowda International Airport.

Answer: Kotak Mahindra Bank

429. Recently, Ramgarh Vishdhari Sanctuary has become the 52nd tiger reserve in India. In which state is it located?

Answer: Rajasthan

430. **World Bank** has approved **USD** _____ aid for the Systems Reform Endeavours for Transformed Health Achievement in Gujarat (**SRESTHA-Gujarat**) project.

Answer: 350 million

431. Which insurance entity has launched India's first dental health insurance plan?

Answer: PNB MetLife India Insurance

432. 'Technology Pioneer Community' is an initiative of which of the following organization?

Answer: World Economic Forum (WEF)

433. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has laid the foundation stone of the India International Centre for Buddhist Culture and Heritage at which place?

Answer: Lumbini

434. Who has become the first Indian layman to be declared a saint by Pope Francis?

Answer: Devasahayam Pillai

435. Which mosquito is responsible for spreading dengue?

Answer: Aedes aegypti

| Important Day | Date/Month | Theme for 2022 | Remark |
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| National Dengue Day | 16 th May | | The day is an initiative by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. |
| International Museum Day | 18 th May | The Power of Museums | The day is organized by the International Council of Museums (ICOM). |
| World Telecommunication and Information Society Day | 17 th May | Digital Technologies for older persons and healthy ageing | |
| World Bee Day | 20 May | Bee Engaged: Celebrating the diversity of bees and beekeeping systems | The day marks the birth anniversary of 'Anton Jansa' in 1734. |
| Anti-Terrorism Day | 21 May | | To commemorate the death anniversary of former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi. |

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| World Hypertension Day | 17 th May | Measure Your Blood Pressure Accurately, Control It, Live Longer | The day was first observed in 2005. |
| World AIDS Vaccine Day | 18 th May | | |
| World Metrology Day | 20 May | Metrology in the Digital Era | |
| International Tea Day | 21 May | | The first International Tea Day was held in Delhi in 2005. |
| International Day for Biological Diversity | 22 May | Building a shared future for all life | |
| World Turtle Day | 23 May | 'Shellebrate!' Asks Everyone to Love and Save Turtles | |
| World Hunger Day | 28 May | | The year 2022 marks the 12 th edition of World Hunger Day. |
| International Missing Children's Day | 25 May | | |
| Africa Day | 25 May | | |
| World Menstrual Hygiene Day | 28 May | | |
| International Everest Day | 29 May | | |
| International Day of United Nations (UN) Peacekeepers | 29 May | People. Peace. Progress. The Power of Partnerships | |
| World No Tobacco Day 2022 | 31 May | Tobacco: Threat to our environment | |

436. Who has been appointed as the new chairperson of the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)?

Answer: Nidhi Chibber

437. _____, under the Ministry of Communications, has launched the “**GatiShakti Sanchar**” portal. The portal has been launched for **Centralised Right of Way (RoW) approvals**.

Answer: Department of Telecommunications (DoT)

438. Who has been appointed as the new President of United Arab Emirates (UAE)?

Answer: Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan

- **Hassan Sheikh Mohamud** has been elected as the new **President of Somalia**.
- French President Emmanuel Macron has appointed **Elisabeth Borne** as the new **Prime Minister of France**.
- **Anthony Albanese** has been sworn in as the **31st Prime Minister of Australia**.

439. Andrew Symonds, who passed away recently, was associated with which national cricket team?

Answer: Australia

440. **PARAM PORUL**, a state-of-the-art Supercomputer, has been inaugurated at which Indian Institution?

Answer: National Institute of Technology (NIT) Tiruchirappalli

- **Param Ananta**, a state-of-the-art Supercomputer, has been commissioned at the **IIT Gandhinagar**,

441. Bollywood actress _____ has been appointed as the first-ever Indian brand ambassador of Louis Vuitton, a *French* luxury fashion house.

Answer: Deepika Padukone

442. **World Economic Forum (WEF)**, in collaboration with _____, has released a report titled "**Fostering Effective Energy Transition 2022**".

Answer: Accenture

443. Who has been appointed as the next **Chief Election Commissioner** of India?

Answer: Rajiv Kumar

- **Sanjiv Bajaj**, chairman and managing director of Bajaj Finserv Limited, has been elected as the **President of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)** for **2022-23**.
- Tata Sons recently appointed **Campbell Wilson**, CEO of Scoot, a low-cost subsidiary of Singapore Airlines, as the CEO and MD of Air India.
- The Government of India has appointed **Vivek Kumar Dewangan**, Additional Secretary in the Union Power Ministry, as the chairman and managing director of REC Limited.

444. In May 2022, which company has become the world's most valuable company by surpassing Apple?

Answer: Oil giant **Saudi Aramco**

445. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has aimed to make India a global drone hub by _____.

Answer: 2030

446. Union Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs & Petroleum and Natural Gas Hardeep Singh Puri has launched the _____ **initiative** at the 'Plumbex India' exhibition.

Answer: **BHARAT TAP**

447. Who among the following has topped the Forbes' highest-paid athletes list for 2022?

Answer: Footballer **Lionel Messi** (Argentina)

448. According to the latest RBI report, India's foreign exchange reserves have declined from USD 635.36 billion at the end of September 2021 to _____ at the end of March 2022.

Answer: USD **607.31 billion**

449. Manik Saha has been elected as the new Chief Minister of Tripura. How many legislative assembly seats are there in the state?

Answer: 60

450. To democratize access to public government data, NITI Aayog has recently launched 'NDAP'. 'NDAP' stands for?

Answer: National Data & Analytics Platform (NDAP)

451. The Government of India (GoI) has made the requirement of a Permanent Account Number (PAN) or Aadhaar number for depositing cash or withdrawing **Rs. _____** or more in a financial year or for opening a current account mandatory.

Answer: 20 lakh

- As of now, PAN is required to be furnished for cash deposits of **Rs 50,000** or more in a day.
- PAN is Permanent Account Number which consists of **10-digit** alphanumeric characters.

452. Andrew Symonds, who passed away recently, was associated with which national cricket team?

Answer: Australia

453. Recently, Union Home Minister Amit Shah has announced to observe which day as Anti-Terrorism Day?

Answer: 21st May

454. Who has been appointed as the new chairperson of the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)?

Answer: Senior IAS officer **Nidhi Chibber**

455. UN Vesak Day is observed on a full moon night in the _____ month.

Answer: Vaisakha

456. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has laid the foundation stone of the India International Centre for Buddhist Culture and Heritage at which place?

Answer: Lumbini

457. Union Home Minister Amit Shah has inaugurated the 'National Cyber Forensic Laboratory' (NCFL) in which city of India?

Answer: Hyderabad

458. India has won the first-ever Thomas Cup title after defeating which country's team?

Answer: Indonesia

459. The world's longest glass-bottom bridge has been opened in_____.

Answer: Vietnam

- The world's longest suspension footbridge named '**Sky Bridge 721**' has been opened in Dolni Morava, **Czech Republic**.
- **Ferdinand "Bongbong" Marcos Jr.** has been elected as the next President of the Philippines.
- **Ranil Wickremesinghe**, a veteran opposition lawmaker, has been sworn in as the new Prime Minister of **Sri Lanka** for the 5th time.
- Rulers in the United Arab Emirates have unanimously appointed **Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan** as the President of UAE.
- French President Emmanuel Macron has appointed **Elisabeth Borne** as the new **Prime Minister of France**.

460. Who has been appointed as the Vice Chairman of NITI Aayog?

Answer: Noted economist **Suman K Bery**

461. Noted Santoor player Pandit Shivkumar Sharma has passed away recently. In which year was he awarded Padma Vibhushan?

Answer: 2001

- Noted Indian music composer and santoor player **Pandit Shivkumar Sharma** has recently passed away due to kidney-related issues in Mumbai, Maharashtra. He was born on 13th January 1938 in Jammu.
- He was honoured with the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award in 1986, **Padma Shri** in **1991** and **Padma Vibhushan** in **2001**.

462. Which one of the following book has won the 2022 Pulitzer Prize in the Fiction category?

Answer: 'The Netanyahus: An Account of a Minor and Ultimately Even Negligible Episode in the History of a Very Famous Family', by Joshua Green.

463. Who among the following has taken charge as the new Chairman & Managing Director of the Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL)?

Answer: Dr. Pushp Kumar Joshi

464. The Nepalese Sherpa guide **Kami Rita Sherpa** has scaled **Mount Everest** for the _____ time.

Answer: 26th

465. Union Minister for Information & Broadcasting Anurag Singh Thakur has announced that an amount of **Rs. _____** has been allotted for the **World's largest film restoration project** under the *National Film Heritage Mission* (NFHM).

Answer: 363 crore

466. The Supreme Court of India has recently formed a committee to monitor recovery from the National Spot Exchange Limited (NSEL) defaulters. Who among the following will head the committee?

Answer: Pradeep Nandrajog

467. Which of the following has become India's largest FMCG Company by surpassing Hindustan Unilever Limited (HUL)?

Answer: Adani Wilmar Ltd (AWL)

468. The state government of **Kerala** has launched the _____ for diagnosing and controlling lifestyle diseases among the people in the state of Kerala.

Answer: 'Shaili App'

- **Madhya Pradesh** has launched the second phase of the **Ladli Laxmi scheme 2.0**.

- **Haryana** has launched the '**Chaara Bijae Yojana**' (fodder cultivation scheme) for farmers.
- **Chhattisgarh** has become the first state in the country to restore the **Old Pension Scheme** to provide assured income to retired employees.

469. _____ has been awarded the World Food Prize 2022. She belongs to the USA.

Answer: Cynthia Rosenzweig

- Indian architect **Balkrishna Vitaldas Doshi** has been awarded the Royal Gold Medal 2022.
- **Dr Frank Wilczek (USA)**, the Nobel Prize-winning theoretical physicist and author, has won the **Templeton Prize 2022**.

470. According to Mercom's India Solar Project Tracker, _____ has become the first state in India to reach **10 GW** of cumulative large-scale solar installations.

Answer: Rajasthan

- **Haryana** has launched "**e-Adhigam**" scheme at Maharishi Dayanand University in Rohtak.
- **Telangana** has announced the extension of insurance coverage of **Rs.5 lakh** to handloom and power loom weavers under the '**Nethanna Bima**' (Weaver's Insurance) scheme.

471. India's first 'Flow Chemistry Technology Hub' has been set up in which city in India?

Answer: Hyderabad

- India's first organic waste-powered EV charging station has been set up in Mumbai.
- India's first Centre of Excellence for Khadi (CoEK) has been set up in New Delhi.

472. Recently, SEBI has restructured its committee on the secondary market. The committee will now be headed by who among the following?

Answer: G Mahalingam

473. RailTel has established a Mobile Container Hospital named 'Health Cloud' at which place in India?

Answer: Vishakhapatnam

474. Bhutan has been ranked _____ in the World Press Freedom Index 2022.

Answer: 33rd

- The Paris-based Reporters Without Borders (RSF) has released its 20th edition of the **World Press Freedom Index (WPFI) 2022**.
- **India** has been ranked **150th** in the Index.
- The index has been topped by **Norway**. **North Korea** remained at the bottom of the index.
- The index placed China at 175th position, Pakistan at 157th position, Sri Lanka 146th, Bangladesh 162nd and Myanmar at 176th position.

475. Who has been appointed by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) as the first-ever Chief Technology Officer (CTO)?

Answer: Nand Mulchandani

476. Which team has won the 75th Santosh Trophy 2022?

Answer: Kerala

477. _____ has launched '**Pay as you Drive**' program to provide distance-based insurance under its damage section to lower upfront insurance premiums.

Answer: HDFC ERGO General Insurance Company

- **Bharti AXA Life Insurance** has launched a financial literacy campaign named '**InspiHE₹- enabling an empowered future**'.

478. The Reserve Bank of India's board has approved the nomination of _____, Executive Director of RBI, as a member of the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC).

Answer: Rajiv Ranjan

479. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has released the **Report on Currency and Finance (RCF)** for the year 2021-22. The theme of the report is "_____".

Answer: Revive and Reconstruct

480. The state government of _____ has launched the 'Mukhyamantri Mitan Yojana'.

Answer: Chhattisgarh

- The state government of **Karnataka** has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Israel-based **ISMC** Analog Fab Private Limited to set up a semiconductor fabrication plant in the state with an investment of **Rs.22,900 crore** (USD 3 Billion).

481. Labour Day was celebrated for the first time in India in which year?

Answer: 1923

| Important Day | Date/Month | Theme for 2022 | Remark |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|---|---|
| International Labour Day | 1 st May | | It is also known as International Workers Day or May Day or Antarashtriyā Shramik Diwas or 'Uzhaopalar Naal' in Tamil or 'Kamgar Diwas' in Marathi. |
| World Press Freedom Day | 3 rd May | Journalism under Digital Siege | |
| International Firefighters' Day | 4 th May | | |
| World Hand Hygiene Day | 5 th May | health care quality and safety climate or culture | |
| World Athletics Day | 7 th May | | |
| World Thalassaemia Day | 8 th May | Be Aware.Share.Care: Working with the global community as one to improve thalassaemia knowledge | |

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| National Technology Day | 11 th May | <i>An Integrated Approach to Science and Technology for a Sustainable Future</i> | |
| World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day | 8 th May | | |
| International Day of Plant Health | 12 th May | | United Nations declared 2020 as the International Year of Plant Health (IYPH). |
| International Day of Families | 15 th May | Families and Urbanization | |

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482. Who is the author of the book titled 'Leaders, Politicians, Citizens'?

Answer: Rasheed Kidwai

483. Which of the following PSU has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with GE Power Conversion for the development of integrated full electric propulsion systems for the Indian Navy?

Answer: Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL)

484. _____ has launched its first digital product '**Pre-approved Personal Loan (PAPL)**' under Project World of Advanced Virtual Experience (WAVE).

Answer: Indian Bank

- **Union Bank of India** has become the first public sector bank to go live on the **Account Aggregator (AA)** ecosystem.
- **Indian Bank**, a public sector bank, has introduced a digital broking solution named '**E-broking**'.
- **Union Bank of India** has launched an online platform named '**Trade nxt**' for export-import transactions.

485. The Government of India (GoI) has launched an e-commerce platform _____ to onboard 30 million sellers and 10 million merchants online while covering at least **100 cities** and towns by **August 2022**.

Answer: Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC)

486. Who won the Whitley Gold Award 2022?

Answer: Charudutt Mishra

487. Which state's cabinet has approved India's First Gene Bank Programme for Biodiversity Conservation?

Answer: Maharashtra

488. Larsen & Toubro (L&T) has tied up with which institute to develop green hydrogen technology?

Answer: IIT Bombay

- The **Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bombay** has signed a Letter of Agreement with the **India Meteorological Department (IMD)** to develop climate solutions for stakeholders at the village, city, and district levels through user-friendly weather forecasting applications.
- **IIM Kozhikode** has signed a pact with the African Asian Rural Development Organisation (AARDO) to promote sustainable agriculture.
- The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) has recently organized the 'International Research Conference on Insolvency and Bankruptcy' in association with **IIM Ahmedabad**.
- IIT Hyderabad has announced the demonstration of Extreme Massive 'MIMO' technology.

489. Twitter, a microblogging site, was launched in which year?

Answer: 2006

- Twitter was founded by Jack Dorsey, Noah Glass, Biz Stone, and Evan Williams in March **2006**. It was launched in July 2006. The current CEO is Parag Agrawal.

490. World Bank has recently approved **USD _____** to support the Government of India's Mission Karmayogi, a national program to build civil service capacity.

Answer: 47 million

- **Also, World Bank** has recently published **Commodity Markets Outlook 2022**.
- **World Bank's** Global Gas Flaring Reduction Partnership (GGFR) has published the **Global Gas Flaring Tracker Report 2022**.

491. Union Rural Development Minister Giriraj Singh has launched the '**Azadi se Antyodaya Tak**', a _____ inter-ministerial campaign, with a mission to saturate 75 Districts across 28 States/UTs with beneficiary schemes of 09 central ministries.

Answer: 90-day

492. Which of the following has become the first district in India to cover 100% households under the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (ABPMJAY)-SEHAT scheme?

Answer: The **Samba district** of Jammu & Kashmir

493. The _____ has published a report titled '**World Review of Capture Fisheries and Aquaculture Insurance 2022**'.

Answer: Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)

494. Who has been appointed as the Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Shivalik Small Finance Bank?

Answer: Anshul Swami

495. Recently, in April 2022, the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has approved the continuation of lending under **Prime Minister Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi)** scheme beyond March 2022. This approval has increased the loan amount to Rs. _____ from Rs. 5000 crore.

Answer: 8,100 crore

496. Which OTT platform, in collaboration with the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, has launched a short video series 'Azadi Ki Amrit Kahaniya'?

Answer: Netflix

497. Which Indian city has become the first city to have vacuum-based sewer systems?

Answer: Agra

498. Recently, Flipkart has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which state government to train and support local artisans, handicraft makers, and weavers?

Answer: West Bengal

499. Airtel Payments Bank has joined hands with which lender to provide Fixed Deposit (FD) facility?

Answer: IndusInd Bank

500. Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) has partnered with SBI Cards and Payments Services Ltd. to boost SBI Card's digital transformation journey.

501. Who has won the Laureus World Sportsman of the Year Award 2021?

Answer: Max Verstappen

502. Which country's public broadcaster has collaborated with Prasar Bharati for cooperation in the field of broadcasting?

Answer: Argentina

503. Which Union Ministry of India has organized an event named 'Yog Prabha'?

Answer: Ministry of Civil Aviation

- The **Ministry of External Affairs (MEA)** has launched the **Trilateral Development Corporation (TDC) fund** to provide an alternative to the Chinese development partnership model that has pushed parts of the developing world to a debt trap.

- **Ministry of Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSME)** has launched the revamped **Zero Defect, Zero Effect (ZED)**.

504. Recently, Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched a new initiative named 'Amrit Sarovar Mission'. The initiative aims to develop and rejuvenate _____ water bodies in each district of the country.

Answer: 75

505. Recently, SIDBI has approved how much amount for industrial cluster development in Maharashtra?

Answer: Rs. 600 crore

506. _____ has recently tied up with **Applied Environmental Research Foundation (AERF)** and the **Conservation International** to protect a 2,400 hectare mangrove forest and local livelihoods that depend on it in **Raigad, Maharashtra**.

Answer: Apple

507. _____ in Jharkhand has become India's first district where all gram panchayats have community libraries.

Answer: Jamtara

508. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has recently inaugurated India's first dairy community radio named ' _____ ' in Gujarat.

Answer: Dudh Vani

509. According to the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) report, India is ranked at _____ position in terms of military expenditure. India's military expenditure has increased to **USD 76.6 billion** in 2021, an increase of 0.9 percent when compared with 2020.

Answer: third

510. Who has been elected as the chairperson of the Haj Committee of India?

Answer: A P Abdullakutty

511. The UN Environment Programme (UNEP) has announced that _____ has won the **Champions of the Earth Award 2021** under the **Lifetime Achievement** category, for his dedication to research, documentation, and advocacy for the protection of nature and its restoration.

Answer: Sir **David Attenborough** (UK)

512. José Ramos-Horta, 1996 Nobel _____ Prize winner, has been elected as the new President of **Timor-Leste**.

Answer: Peace

513. NTPC Limited has tied up with which institute to develop an energy-efficient plant to capture CO₂?

Answer: **Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Guwahati**

- **NTPC Limited** has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with **Gujarat Gas Limited (GGL)** to blend Green Hydrogen in piped natural gas (PNG) network of GGL at the NTPC Kawas facility.

514. Who among the following has won the "T20 International Women's Player of the Year" award at the New Zealand Cricket Awards 2022?

Answer: **Sophie Divine**

515. World Art Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 15th April

516. Which country will host the Street Child Cricket World Cup in 2023?

Answer: India

517. Which institute has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Indian Air Force (IAF) to develop solutions for maintaining weapon systems?

Answer: Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras

518. Who has been selected for the Malcom Adiseshiah Award 2022?

Answer: Prabhat Patnaik (Renowned Indian economist and political commentator)

519. The state government of _____ has announced that the birthday of Dr. BR Ambedkar (14th April) will be observed as the '**Day of Equality**' in the state.

Answer: Tamil Nadu

- It is noteworthy that Tamil New Year, also known as '**Varsha Pirappu**', is also celebrated every year on 14 April in the state.

520. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the '**Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya**', a museum dedicated to all 14 Indian Prime Ministers of the country since independence, at the Teen Murti complex in _____.

Answer: New Delhi

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has unveiled a **108-foot** statue of **Lord Hanuman** in the **Morbi** district of **Gujarat**

521. The _____ in consultation with Insurance companies has launched a portal named '**e-DAR**' (**e-Detailed Accident Report**)

Answer: Ministry of Roads, Transport and Highways (MoRTH)

522. A new book titled '**The Boy Who Wrote a Constitution**' has been authored by whom?

Answer: Rajesh Talwar

523. World Hemophilia Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 17th April

| Important Day | Date/Month | Theme for 2022 | Remark |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------|--|---|
| World Hemophilia Day | 17 April | Access for All: Partnership. Policy. Progress. Engaging your government, integrating inherited bleeding disorders into national policy | First observed in 1989. |
| World Art Day | 15 April | | The day was first observed in 2012. |
| World Heritage Day | 18 April | Heritage and Climate | This was approved by the General Assembly of UNESCO in 1983. |
| World Liver Day | 19 April | | |
| National Civil Service Day | 21 April | | <i>Charles Cornwallis is known as the father of the Indian Civil Service.</i> |
| World Homeopathy Day | 10 th April | Homoeopathy: People's Choice for Wellness | Founder of homoeopathy: Dr. Christian Fredrich Samuel Hahnemann. |
| National Safe Motherhood Day | 11 th April | | The day also marks the birth anniversary of Kasturba Gandhi |
| International Day of Street Children | 12 th April | | The day was first observed in 2012. |
| Odisha Day | 1 st April | | The year 2022 marks the 87th foundation day of the state. |
| World Autism Awareness Day | 2 nd April | Inclusive Quality Education for All | The day was first observed in 2008. |
| National Maritime Day | 5 th April | Propelling Indian Maritime Industry to Net Zero | The day was first observed in 1964. |
| World Health Day | 7 th April | Our Planet, Our Health | The day was first observed in 1950. |

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| International Children's Book Day | 2 nd April | Stories are wings that help you soar every day | Canada has hosted International Children's Book Day 2022. |
| World Table Tennis Day | 6 th April | | The day was first observed in 2015. |
| World Book and Copyright Day | 23 rd April | | The day was first observed in 1996. |
| World Malaria Day | 25 th April | Harness innovation to reduce the malaria disease burden and save lives | The day was first observed in 2008. |
| World Intellectual Property Day | 26 th April | IP and Youth innovating for a Better Future | |
| World Day for Safety and Health at Work | 28 th April | Participation And Social Dialogue In Creating A Positive Safety And Health Culture | |
| International Girls in ICT Day | fourth Thursday in April | Access and Safety | |

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524. All India Radio News has launched a new weekly interactive program named _____ for Competitive Examinations.

Answer: Abhyaas

525. Which Institution has recently published a research paper titled 'Poverty in India Has Declined over the Last Decade But Not As Much As Previously Thought'?

Answer: World Bank

526. India's first-ever radio channel for the visually impaired named '**Radio Aksh**' has been launched in _____.

Answer: Nagpur, Maharashtra

527. The Executive Board of the _____ has approved the establishment of the **Resilience and Sustainability Trust (RST)** to help countries build resilience to external shocks and ensure sustainable growth, contributing to their long-term balance of payments stability.

Answer: International Monetary Fund (IMF)

528. _____ has won the '**Celent Model Bank**' award under the 'Payments System Transformation' category for building a best-in-class Enterprise Payments Hub (EPH).

Answer: IndusInd Bank

529. Who has been appointed as the next Chief of Army Staff?

Answer: Vice Chief of Army Staff Lt Gen **Manoj Pande**

530. Which Indian state has become the first state in the country to set up an L-Root server?

Answer: Rajasthan

531. Who among the following has topped the Hurun Global Healthcare Rich List 2022?

Answer: Cyrus Poonawalla

532. Jasleen Kohli has been appointed as the new CEO and MD of which company?

Answer: Digit Insurance

533. Which of the following state has launched 'SpaceTech Framework' on a Metaverse platform?

Answer: Telangana

534. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has laid the foundation stone of the **WHO Global Centre for Traditional Medicine (GCTM)** in _____.

Answer: Jamnagar, Gujarat.

535. Which country's central bank has launched a new payment system named HELLO?

Answer: Russia

536. SEBI has reconstituted its 7-member Advisory Committee for Leveraging Regulatory and Technology Solutions (ALeRTS). Who among the following will head the committee?

Answer: Sunil Bajpai

537. Which state has announced to observe Sri Siddalinga Swami's birth anniversary as 'Integration Day'?

Answer: Karnataka

538. The world's largest electric vehicle three-wheeler manufacturing facility will be set up in which Indian state?

Answer: Telangana

539. The **International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA)** has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the _____ to provide a skilled talent pool in the insurance sector.

Answer: National Insurance Academy (NIA)

- The **International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA)** has signed an agreement with the **Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI)** to strengthen inter-regulatory exchange of information, technical cooperation, and supervisory collaboration.

540. _____, a 100% government owned entity under Department of Posts (DoP), has launched Fincluvation.

Answer: India Post Payments Bank (IPPB)

541. Who among the following has been selected for the prestigious Entrepreneur Leadership Awards 2022 by the Indo-American Chamber of Commerce?

Answer: Vivek Lall

542. The state government of Gujarat has received a loan of Rs _____ from the World Bank and Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) for its Mission School of Excellence project.

Answer: 7,500 crore

543. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has introduced the **Standing Deposit Facility (SDF)** at an interest rate of _____. It is a financial stability tool for absorbing liquidity without any collateral.

Answer: 3.75 percent

544. Which state celebrates the festival of 'Sarhul' as New Year?

Answer: Jharkhand

545. The Reserve Bank of India has issued guidelines for banks to set up 24*7 _____ in order to provide products and services in both self-served and assisted mode.

Answer: Digital Banking Units (DBUs)

546. _____ has tied up with **KredX**, India's largest supply chain finance company, to provide 'ICICI Bank - KredX Commercial Card' for **B2B (business-to-business) payments**.

Answer: ICICI Bank

547. Which Union Ministry of India has constituted the AVGC Promotion Task Force to address the Indian markets and global demand?

Answer: Ministry of Information & Broadcasting

548. 'Tomb of Sand' has been shortlisted for the International Booker Prize. It has been authored by who among the following?

Answer: Geetanjali Shree

549. IIT Madras has launched India's first indigenously developed polycentric prosthetic knee called _____.

Answer: Kadam

550. The Bandhan Financial Holding Limited (BFHL)-led consortium has signed an agreement to acquire IDFC Asset Management Company (AMC) and IDFC AMC Trustee Company for Rs. _____.

Answer: 4500 crore

551. The _____ has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Hyderabad-based **National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC)**, ISRO to develop the Bhuvan-Aadhar portal.

Answer: Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI)

552. Who has been appointed as the 31st Chairman of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)?

Answer: Dr. Manoj Soni

553. Veteran _____ author **Amar Mitra** has been conferred the prestigious **O. Henry Prize for Short Fiction 2022**.

Answer: Bengali

554. Madhavpur Ghed Fair is organized annually in which state?

Answer: Gujarat

555. Which of the following airport has been named as the busiest airport in the world for 2021?

Answer: Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL), USA

556. _____ have won the tag of '2021 Tree City of the World' by the Arbor Day Foundation and the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) of the United Nations.

Answer: Hyderabad and Mumbai

557. The first **Khelo India National Ranking Women Archery Tournament** has been held in Tata Archery Academy, _____.

Answer: Jamshedpur, Jharkhand.

558. Odisha Government has signed an agreement with which entity to set up a renewable energy plant?

Answer: Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL)

559. The _____ **Anniversary** of the **Jallianwala Bagh Massacre** has been observed on 13th April 2022 to pay homage to the martyrs who lost their lives in the massacre during the British rule on 13th April 1919.

Answer: 103rd

560. _____ has tied up with US-based **Global Alliance for Sustainable Planet (GASP)** to produce value-added materials from garbage.

Answer: Andhra Pradesh

561. Who is the author of the book titled 'Hear Yourself'?

Answer: Prem Rawat

562. Indian _____ player **Mithun Manjunath** has won a silver medal in Men's singles at the Orleans Masters 2022 held in Orleans, France.

Answer: Badminton

563. **Tata Group** has recently launched its super app named _____. It is the conglomerate's super app that brings together all of its digital services and apps on a single platform.

Answer: Tata Neu

564. The Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS) has approved the procurement of 15 indigenously developed Light Combat Helicopters (LCH). LCHs are manufactured by which entity?

Answer: Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL).

565. Which state in India has emerged as the top vegetable producer in FY2021-22?

Answer: Uttar Pradesh has emerged as the top vegetable producer in FY2021-22 with 29.8 MT production.

- **Andhra Pradesh** has emerged as the top fruit producer in FY2021-22 with 18.01 MT production.

566. The 20th edition of the Bilateral Naval Exercise '_____' has been conducted between the **Indian Navy** and **French Navy** in the Arabian Sea.

Answer: VARUNA-2022

567. The state government of _____ has announced to launch '**Vinaya Samarasya Yojana**'.

Answer: Karnataka

568. Which of the following state government has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Samsung and Abhitech to set up a Sports Digital Experience Centre?

Answer: Manipur

569. Which of the following institution has introduced a software named 'FASTER'?

Answer: Supreme Court of India

570. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has extended the timeline for banks to use **lockable cassettes** in ATMs which can be swapped at the time of cash replenishment by one year to _____.

Answer: 31st March 2023

571. The **Asian Development Bank (ADB)** has signed an agreement with _____ to establish a **USD 100 million** partial guarantee program for Microfinance Institutions (MFIs) in India.

Answer: HSBC India

572. Who among the following has been appointed to the United Nations High-Level Expert Group on Net-Zero Emissions Commitments of Non-State Entities?

Answer: Arunabha Ghosh

573. Dr S Raju has become the new Director-General of which of the following organization?

Answer: Geological Survey of India (GSI)

- Dr. **Mahesh Verma** has been appointed as the new chairperson of the National Accreditation Board for Hospitals and Healthcare Providers (NABH).

574. The Chairperson of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), **Madhabi Puri Buch** has launched the ideathon '_____', to promote innovations in the securities market.

Answer: Manthan

575. India's first private commercial imaging satellite has been launched by Pixxel. What is the name of the satellite?

Answer: Shakuntala

576. _____ **Cricket team** has won the **ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2022** title by defeating England.

Answer: Australian

577. The _____ has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the **Border Security Force (BSF)** to provide special benefits to the serving and retired BSF personnel and family pensioners through the Central Armed Police Salary Package (CAPSP) Scheme.

Answer: State Bank of India (SBI)

578. Who has won the Chameli Devi Jain Award 2021?

Answer: Aarefa Johari

579. Tata Power Renewables Energy, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Tata Power, has installed a **300 MW** solar plant in _____, Gujarat.

Answer: Dholera

580. Which state government has launched the 'Kaaval Uthavi' app for the public during an emergency?

Answer: Tamil Nadu

581. Which Union Ministry of India has launched "Mission Integrated Bio-refineries"?

Answer: Union Ministry for Science and Technology

582. Which Indian entity has collaborated with Payments Canada to implement the Real-Time-Rail Payment System?

Answer: Tata Consultancy Services (TCS)

583. SEBI has introduced Demat Debit and Pledge Instruction (DDPI) to replace Power of Attorney (PoA) for share pledging. This will come into effect from which date?

Answer: 1st July 2022

584. Who among the following has been appointed by SEBI to head the 6-member committee to strengthen governance of Market Infra Institutions (MIIs)?

Answer: G Mahalingam

585. Which state government has launched 'Mukhyamantri Udyam Kranti Yojana'?

Answer: Madhya Pradesh

586. Which country has become the 30th country to join the Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI)?

Answer: Madagascar

587. Who will be honoured with the prestigious Saraswati Samman 2021?

Answer: Ramdarash Mishra

588. Jayati Ghosh, who has been in the news recently, is associated with which field?

Answer: Economist

589. Which state government has developed the Dishaank app to ensure easy access to land records?

Answer: Karnataka

590. Which entity has launched a data analysis feature named 'Payment Analytics' for online and offline merchants?

Answer: Paytm Payments Services Limited (PPSL)

591. Which state has become India's first state to introduce carbon-neutral farming?

Answer: Kerala

592. Which country has topped the Global House Price Index Q4 2021 by Knight Frank?

Answer: Turkey

593. SBI Card has collaborated with which of the following to launch International Gourmet Card?

Answer: Nature's Basket

594. Which state assembly has become India's first Legislative Assembly to successfully implement the National e-Vidhan Application (NeVA)?

Answer: Nagaland

595. Which payments bank has collaborated with ICICI Lombard to provide smartphone insurance?

Answer: Airtel Payments Bank

596. Identify the lender that has tied up with Chennai Super Kings (CSK) to launch a co-branded credit card.

Answer: ICICI Bank

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597. Kerala Tourism has launched a 24x7 WhatsApp chatbot named _____ to attract more tourists to Kerala.

Answer: Maya

598. Which institute has collaborated with Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) to provide a web-based and user-friendly program on Industrial AI?

Answer: Indian Institute of Technology Madras

599. Who among the following has been appointed as the chairman of Reserve Bank Innovation Hub (RBIH)?

Answer: Senapathy (Kris) Gopalakrishnan

600. Which fintech firm has collaborated with Max Life Insurance to launch the 'Max Life Smart Secure Plus Plan'?

Answer: PhonePe

601. Which of the following airport has been conferred with the COVID Champion Award at Wings India 2022?

Answer: Cochin International Airport Limited (CIAL)

602. Who has won the Stockholm Water Prize 2022?

Answer: Wilfried Brutsaert

603. DBS Bank India has partnered with which of the following entity to launch an environment-friendly debit card?

Answer: EaseMyTrip

604. Which Union Ministry of India has launched the "Training for Emirates Jobs and Skills (TEJAS)" project?

Answer: Union Ministry of Information and Broadcasting

605. Which state has become the first state in the country to introduce the concept of a dynamic map for villages?

Answer: Bihar

606. The Government of India has set a target to build how many airports by 2025?

Answer: 220

607. Which state government has partnered with the National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER) for Medical Devices Park?

Answer: Himachal Pradesh

608. Which of the following has become the official sponsor of FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022?

Answer: BYJU's

609. The Ministry of Defence has signed a contract with which of the following entity for the acquisition of two multi-purpose vessels (MPVs) for Indian Navy?

Answer: Larsen & Toubro (L&T)

610. The Union Ministry of Defence (MoD) has signed a contract with _____ Bangalore unit for the supply of the **Advanced Electronic Warfare (EW)** suite for fighter aircraft of the Indian Air Force (IAF). The overall cost of the contract is **Rs. 1,993 crore**.

Answer: Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL)

611. The 'Motor Vessel (MV) Ram Prasad Bismil' has become the longest vessel ever to sail on which of the following river?

Answer: Brahmaputra

612. The **State Bank of India (SBI)** will set up an Innovation, Incubation, and Acceleration Centre (IIAC) at _____.

Answer: Hyderabad, Telangana.

613. '**Green Triangle**' named after _____ has been inaugurated in **Antananarivo, Madagascar** as part of the 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav' to commemorate India's 75th year of independence.

Answer: Mahatma Gandhi

614. Former Indian cricketer captain _____ has penned his autobiography titled "**Wrist Assured: An Autobiography**". It has been co-authored by senior journalist **R Kaushik**.

Answer: Gundappa Viswanath

615. Which state has become the first state in India to record its crop diversification patterns in the form of an index?

Answer: Telangana

616. Which railway station has become the first station in the East Coast railway to implement 'One Station, One Product'?

Answer: Visakhapatnam railway station

617. As per the recently released World Happiness Report 2022, which nation has been ranked as the unhappiest nation?

Answer: Afghanistan

- India's rank has improved by 3 spots to **136** out of 146 countries with a score of 3.777.
- **Finland** has been named the world's happiest country for the fifth consecutive year, followed by Denmark, and Iceland.

618. Who among the following has won the Pritzker Architecture Prize 2022?

Answer: Diébédo Francis Kéré

619. The National Capital Regional Transport Corporation (NCRTC) has unveiled the coaches of India's first rapid rail for which corridor?

Answer: Delhi – Meerut corridor

620. India's first 'World Peace Centre' will be established in which city?

Answer: Gurugram, Haryana

621. Which of the following has become the first South Asian city to detail its plans for net-zero carbon emissions by 2050?

Answer: Mumbai

622. The Surajkund International Crafts Mela is observed annually in which state?

Answer: Haryana.

623. The Union Civil Aviation Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia and Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan has inaugurated the **first drone school** in _____.

Answer: Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh

624. Debashish Panda has been appointed as the new Chairman of which of the following organization?

Answer: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI)

625. The _____ has been organising a special programme for School Children titled "**Young Scientists Programme**" or "**YUva Vigyani KAryakram**" (YUVIKA).

Answer: Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)

626. Which lender has been conferred with the 'National Award for Outstanding Performance for the Financial Year 2020-21' by the Ministry of Rural Development?

Answer: Jammu & Kashmir Bank

- **Karnataka Bank** has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with **SELCO Solar Light** to provide energy access to the underserved population.

627. As per the latest V-Dem's Liberal Democratic Index (LDI), India has been ranked _____ while _____ has topped the Index.

Answer: 93rd; Sweden

628. India`s largest reclining statue of Lord Gautama Buddha is being built in _____. It is being built by Buddha International Welfare Mission.

Answer: Bodh Gaya, Bihar

629. SEBI has raised the public debt investment limit through the Unified Payments Interface (UPI) mechanism to Rs. 5 lakh from the current limit of _____.

Answer: 2 Lakh

630. The Reserve Bank of India has issued guidelines on Interest Equalization Scheme for Pre and Post Shipment Rupee Export Credit (Scheme). The government of India has approved the extension of scheme up to _____ or till further review, whichever is earlier. The extension takes effect from 1st October 2021.

Answer: 31st March 2024

631. Recently, C-DAC has commissioned the supercomputer named "PARAM Ganga" at which institute?

Answer: IIT Roorkee

632. Who has become the 23rd Woman Grandmaster of India?

Answer: Priyanka Nutakki

633. Pharma major **Lupin Limited** has appointed _____ as brand ambassador for its Shakti campaign.

Answer: Mary Kom (six-time world boxing champion and Olympics bronze medallist)

634. _____, a leading digital commerce entity, has entered into a multi-year strategic alliance with **Google Cloud** to help fast-track its innovation and cloud strategy.

Answer: Flipkart

635. Recently, Microsoft has decided to set up its fourth data center in which Indian city?

Answer: Hyderabad, Telangana

636. Who has been selected to represent India at the 2041 Climate Force Antarctica Expedition?

Answer: Aarushi Verma

637. The _____ has won the 1st prize in the **Ispat Rajbhasha Award** for 2018-19 and 2020-21 and the **Ispat Rajbhasha Prerna Award** for 2019-20.

Answer: National Mineral Development Corporation Ltd. (NMDC)

638. The _____ and Indian Banks Association (IBA) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to collaborate on **capacity building programs** primarily for financial creditors on topics related to insolvency, bankruptcy and related subjects.

Answer: Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI)

639. _____ has become the first woman to appear in six ICC Women's Cricket World Cups.

Answer: Mithali Raj

640. Goldi Solar has partnered with Shree Ramkrishna Knowledge Foundation (SRKKF) to lay the foundation stone for the solarization of the village of **Dudhala** in _____.

Answer: Gujarat

641. The Indian Navy has successfully test-fired a long-range version of the **BrahMos supersonic cruise missile** from stealth destroyer _____.

Answer: INS Chennai

642. According to norms, investments in non-SLR (statutory liquidity ratio) securities by primary (urban) cooperative banks is to be limited to _____ of a bank's total deposits as on March 31 of the previous year.

Answer: 10%

643. As per the Union Budget 2022-23, PM GatiShakti Master Plan for Expressways will be formulated in 2022-23 to facilitate faster movement of people and goods. The National Highways network will be expanded by _____ km in 2022-23.

Answer: 25,000

644. Renowned _____ leg spinner **Shane Warne** has passed away recently in Koh Samui, Thailand.

Answer: Australian

645. As per the Union Budget 2022-23, **Raising and Accelerating MSME Performance** (RAMP) programme with outlay of Rs. _____ over 5 years will be rolled out.

Answer: 6,000 Crore

646. The 19th edition of the **India-US Military Cooperation Group (MCG)** meeting has been held in _____.

Answer: Agra, Uttar Pradesh

647. The Economic Survey 2021-22 was presented in the Parliament recently. What is the central theme of this year's Economic Survey?

Answer: Agile approach

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