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8. Which of the following states has recently become first state in the country to adopt digital fingerprint and iris scanning system?

- A. Gujarat
- C. Tamil Nadu

- B. Goa
- D. Maharashtra

9. Name the country that has officially withdrawn from Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty (INF).

- A. USA
- C. Japan

- B. China
- D. Germany

10. Which of the following companies has recently launched the initiative to support weavers, artisans, and makers of handicrafts through its platform?

- A. Google
- C. Flipkart

- B. Amazon
- D. Microsoft



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Correct answers:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
B	C	C	A	C	B	A	D	A	C

Explanations:

1. Hints to Remember

Who: India

What: was ranked as 46th Highest Risk Country in Water Stress Index 2019 For the complete information kindly visit read the given lines:

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As per the index, 11 of 20 largest Indian cities face an 'extreme risk' of water stress while 7 of them are in the 'high risk' category.

The Water Stress Index has taken into consideration the projected population growth trends to rank the cities facing the biggest threat to their water resources.

It measures the water consumption rates of households, industries and farm sectors and the available resources in rivers, lakes and streams.

Hence, the correct answer is option B.

2. Hints to Remember

Who: India Post Payments Bank

What: to be converted into small finance bank

When: published on 1st August 2019

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<https://www.livemint.com/industry/banking/india-post-payments-bank-to-be-converted-into-small-finance-bank-1564642661411.html>

3. Hints to Remember

Who: Atish Dabholkar

What: to lead Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics

When: published on 1st August 2019

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For the complete information kindly visit given link:

<https://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/mumbai/honour-for-kolhapur-born-scientist/article28777827.ece>

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What: to be felicitated with 'Pride of Nation Award'

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For the complete information kindly visit given link:

https://www.business-standard.com/article/news-ani/vinayak-s-hiremath-youngest-doctor-to-be-felicited-with-pride-of-nation-award-119072901333_1.html

5. Hints to Remember

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What: named as the Special Secretary to President Ram Nath Kovind

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For the complete information kindly visit given link:

<https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/politics-and-nation/senior-ias-officer-prasad-appointed-special-secretary-to-president/articleshow/70471381.cms>

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Who: Cabinet

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When: published on 31st July 2019

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He said the bill is aimed at fulfilling the objectives of reducing the regulatory or compliance burden of the registered chit funds industry as well as protecting the interest of subscribers.

The government had earlier in 2018 introduced a bill to regulate the chit fund industry but it lapsed, the minister said.

For the complete information kindly visit given link:

<https://www.livemint.com/industry/banking/cabinet-approves-bill-to-regulate-chit-funds-industry-1564574732304.html>

7. Hints to Remember Who: Max Verstappen

What: won the 2019 German Grand Prix

When: published on 28th July 2019

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For the complete information kindly visit given link:

<https://www.theguardian.com/sport/2019/jul/28/max-verstappen-wins-german-grand-prix-hamilton-error>

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<https://indianexpress.com/article/explained/biometric-identification-system-iris-fingerprint-scans-to-fight-crime-5864905/>

9. Hints to Remember

Who: USA

What: has officially withdrawn from Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty (INF)

When: published on 3rd August 2019

The US has officially withdrawn from a Cold War-era missile treaty with Russia that could kick-start an arms race between the world's top two nuclear powers.

For many, the death of the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty, or INF, means the swift demise of arms control efforts that took decades to realize. For the Trump administration, though, it's a requisite move to punish Moscow for its misbehavior — and to prepare for a possible future war with China.

The accord was signed by President Ronald Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev in December 1987. The agreement prohibited Washington and Moscow from fielding ground-launched cruise missiles that could fly between 310 and 3,400 miles.

Both countries signed the deal as a way to improve relations toward the end of the Cold War. However, the two nations still could — and since have — built up cruise missiles that can be fired from the air or sea.

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<https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2019/08/03/us-officially-withdrew-inf-treaty-heres-what-you-need-know/>

10. Hints to Remember

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What: launches initiative to bring Indian artisans, weavers onboard

When: published on 31st July 2019

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Top 10 news of the day : 7th August 2019

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