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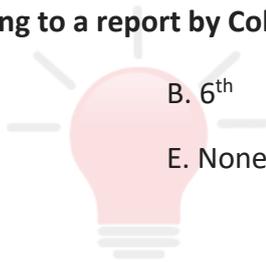
Directions: Study the following questions carefully and answers the questions given below:

1. World Health Organization, World Intellectual Property Organization and which organization have recently launched a joint platform to tackle COVID-19 Pandemic?

- A. World Trade Organization
- B. International Monetary Fund
- C. World Bank
- D. International Court of Justice
- E. None of these

2. Bengaluru has recently been ranked _____ among Top 10 Established Technology Submarkets in APAC, according to a report by Colliers?

- A. 5th
- B. 6th
- C. 7th
- D. 8th
- E. None of these



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3. As per the recent report, which city has become the world's most expensive city for foreign workers (Expatriates)?

- A. Bishkek
- B. Ashgabat
- C. Dubai
- D. Abu Dhabi
- E. None of these

4. Which Indian Naval Ship has recently conducted Military Exercise with South Korean ship in East China Sea?

- A. INS Arihant
- B. INS Kadmat
- C. INS Kiltan
- D. INS Kamorta
- E. None of these

5. Which of the following states has recently launched 'Jan Sahayak-Aapka Sahayak' app and 'DSM AC Scheme'?

- A. Punjab
- B. Kerala
- C. Madhya Pradesh
- D. Haryana
- E. None of these



6. Which state or UT has recently launched 'Hausla' Scheme to promote Women Entrepreneurship?

- A. Delhi B. Uttarakhand C. Jammu and Kashmir
D. Himachal Pradesh E. None of these

7. Goods and Services Tax Day 2021 was observed on which date?

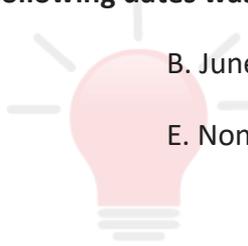
- A. June 30 B. July 1 C. June 29
D. July 2 E. None of these

8. National Doctors Day 2021 was observed on which date?

- A. July 1 B. June 29 C. July 2
D. June 30 E. None of these

9. Which of the following dates was the National Chartered Accountants' Day 2021?

- A. July 1 B. June 30 C. June 29
D. July 2 E. None of these



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10. Who among the following is the author of the book titled as "Fiercely Female: The Dutee Chand Story"?

- A. Sundeep Mishra B. Mukesh Verma C. Navdeep Gupta
D. Amitabh Sharma E. None of these

11. Name the person who was editor of 'Sudharma', the world's only Sanskrit daily newspaper, passed away recently.

- A. K V Sampath Kumar B. Jagapathi Babu C. Venkat Prabhu
D. Sampath Raj E. None of these

12. The International Cricket Council has moved the Twenty20 World Cup from which country to the United Arab Emirates and Oman because of the pandemic?

- A. Sri Lanka B. Pakistan C. India
D. West Indies E. None of these



13. Which Indian American has become the Youngest Chess Grandmaster?

- A. Abhimanyu Mishra B. Anish Giri C. Samay Raina
D. Nihal Sarin E. None of these

14. The UAE's sovereign wealth fund Abu Dhabi Investment Authority has picked up a minority stake in which company for nearly \$20 million?

- A. Mobikwik B. Freecharge C. PhonePe
D. Paytm E. None of these

15. Amazon Web Services (AWS) has acquired a messaging application called _____ .

- A. WhatsApp B. Wickr C. Telegram
D. Instagram E. None of these

16. The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has recently approved merger of which company with SYNEX Corporation (SYNEX) under Section 31(1) of the Competition Act, 2002?

- A. Ingram Micro B. Cisco Systems C. Tech Data
D. Dell E. None of these

17. Kaif Ali from which university has been awarded the prestigious The Diana Award 2021 for his exceptional contribution in changing the world with his Covid - 19 innovation, 'Covid-19 Innovation Space Era'?

- A. Aligarh Muslim University
B. Jawaharlal Nehru University
C. Jamia Millia Islamia University
D. Lovely Professional University
E. None of these



18. Banking technology provider Network People Services Technology (NPST) has availed a registration for the third-party application provider (TPAP) from _____ for its TimePay solution.

- A. National Payments Corporation of India
- B. Reserve Bank of India
- C. State Bank of India
- D. Indian Banks' Association
- E. None of these

19. Which of the of the following banks has recently launched a banking solution for doctors called 'Salute Doctors'?

- A. ICICI Bank
- B. HDFC Bank
- C. Yes Bank
- D. IDFC Bank
- E. None of these

20. World Bank has approved what amount loan programme to support India's informal working class to overcome the current pandemic distress?

- A. USD 300 million
- B. USD 500 million
- C. USD 800 million
- D. USD 1000 million
- E. None of these



Correct answer:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
A	B	B	C	D	C	B	A	A	A	A	C	A	A	B	C	C	A	A	B

Explanation:

1. Hints to Remember

Who: World health, IP, trade bodies

What: launch platform to tackle COVID-19 pandemic

When: published on 25th June 2021

Heads of the global health, intellectual property and trade bodies have announced a joint platform to help countries plug the gaps in accessing Covid-19 vaccines, treatments and technologies.

World Health Organization's Tedros Ghebreyesus, World Intellectual Property Organization's Daren Tang and World Trade Organization's Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala said they want to map out further collaboration to tackle the pandemic. In a joint statement, they said they will implement a joint platform for tripartite technical assistance to countries relating to their needs for Covid-19 medical technologies. They further said countries would be able to access expertise in places where the three fields cross over in battling the pandemic.

The platform will provide "a one-stop shop that will make available the full range of expertise on access, intellectual property and trade matters provided by our organisations, and other partners, in a coordinated way. The statement said, it would support countries in assessing and prioritising their unmet needs for Covid-19 vaccines, medicines and other related technologies. It would also help them make full use of all available options to access such tools, including through coordinating with other countries going through similar challenges, it added.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. ([Read more](#))

2. Hints to Remember

Who: Bengaluru

What: among top 5 tech centres in Asia Pacific, says report

When: published on 25th June 2021

Bengaluru has emerged as the top five technology centres in Asia Pacific region, according to a report by Colliers. Hyderabad ranked in the top 10 list in the report titled 'Growth Engines of Innovation: How Asia Pacific Technology Hubs are Reshaping Regional Real Estate'.



The study ranks the most attractive technology submarkets within major APAC (Asia-Pacific) cities, which should serve as a navigation tool for technology groups, as they plan their expansion. Beijing bagged the top spot in the list followed by Shanghai, Bengaluru, Shenzhen, and Singapore.

Among established technology submarkets in major APAC cities, the report highlights Shangdi in Beijing. Among upcoming submarkets, it further highlights Yangpu in Shanghai, Hitec City (Suburban Business District) in Hyderabad as well as Sydney's CBD South, Whitefield and North Bengaluru in Bengaluru.

Hence, the correct answer is option B. ([Read more](#))

3. Hints to Remember

Who: Ashgabat

What: is world's most expensive city for foreign workers, Mumbai drops 18 places, as per the Report

When: published on 22nd June 2021

Turkmenistan's capital city Ashgabat has become the world's most expensive city for foreign workers, according to this year's Mercer Cost of Living Survey. The annual report has ranked 209 cities across five continents by measuring the comparative cost of more than 200 items, including housing, transportation, food, clothing, household goods, and entertainment. The survey used New York City, ranked 14 on the list, as the base city and currency movements were measured against the US dollar.

List of top 10 expensive cities mostly features global financial hubs like Hong Kong, which was the priciest last year, Tokyo, Shanghai, Zurich and Singapore. Mercer has cited Turkmenistan's ongoing financial crisis as the reason for Ashgabat's high cost of living. Another outlier on the list is third-ranked Beirut which climbed 42 positions up the ranking due to a severe and extensive economic depression owing to several crises, including coronavirus disease (Covid-19) and the Port of Beirut explosion in 2020.

Hence, the correct answer is option B. ([Read more](#))

4. Hints to Remember

Who: Indian navy warship

What: conducts military exercise with South Korean vessel in East China Sea

When: published on 29th June 2021

An Indian Navy warship carried out a military exercise with a South Korean vessel in the East China Sea on Monday amid China's growing assertiveness in the region, officials said.



"Indian Navy's indigenous ASW Corvette INS Kiltan deployed in the Far East undertook Navy Partnership Exercise in East China Sea with Republic of Korea Navy Ship--ROKS Gyeongnam, a Daegu-class frigate, on June 28," a spokesperson of the Indian Navy said.

The Navy partnership exercise is aimed at enhancing interoperability and facilitating exchange of best practices with partner navies in the maritime domain.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. ([Read more](#))

5. Hints to Remember

Who: Haryana Chief Minister

What: launched 'Jan Sahayak-Aapka Sahayak' app, also launched 'DSM AC Scheme'

When: published on 2nd July 2021

Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar on Wednesday launched 'Jan Sahayak Aapka Sahayak' mobile app for Government to Citizen (G2C) and Business to Citizen (B2C) services. He also announced a scheme for providing ownership rights to Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) property holders.

Addressing a press conference on Wednesday, the CM said that the app is a single platform for availing government services, emergency helplines and other services which included information on tenders and jobs, and payment of bills.

The helplines included 112 for emergency calls, 100 for police, 108 for ambulances, 101 for fire, 104 for health, 1091 for women, 1098 for children and 1075 for Covid.

Hence, the correct answer is option D. ([Read more](#))

6. Hints to Remember

Who: LG Manoj Sinha

What: unveils 'Hausla' scheme for J-K's women entrepreneurs

When: published on 30th June 2021

Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir Manoj Sinha launched a scheme "Hausla" for women entrepreneurs of the Union Territory (UT) which aims at promoting their potential and enable a wider reach of their products and services.

The main objective of the scheme is to build a comprehensive programme for women entrepreneurs of the region which can serve as a guide for achieving success in their business.

"This programme will definitely help the women entrepreneurs. Where there is a will, there is a way. We had decided to provide financial assistance to 10,000 people when we started the 'Back to Village' programme, but we managed to provide the aid to more than 19,000 of them. Out of which, 4,500



were girls. This year, we have set a target of providing financial aid to 50,000 Kashmiri youth in Jammu and Kashmir," Jammu and Kashmir LG Manoj Sinha said.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. ([Read more](#))

7. Hints to Remember

Who: Goods and Services Tax (GST) Day 2021

What: was observed on July 1

India marks the fourth anniversary of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on Thursday, July 1, 2021. The date 1st July has been designated by the Central Government as 'GST Day', which is celebrated every year to mark the roll-out of the historic tax reform. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Wednesday said that on GST Day this year, the Union Finance Ministry will issue appreciation letters to over 54,000 GST payers for timely filing of returns and a cash payment of tax.

The Goods and Services Tax (GST) is an indirect, multi-level, comprehensive tax levied on the supply of goods and services in India. On roll-out, GST subsumed almost all other domestic indirect taxes in the country (petroleum, alcoholic beverages, and stamp duty being the major exceptions) under one head, and is perhaps the biggest tax reform in the history of independent India. The GST is levied at every stage of the production process but is collected from the point of consumption, refunding all parties eventually other than the end consumer.

On completing 4 years of GST, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman mentioned the journey of GST. Finance Minister stated the success of GST and measures taken to give relief to taxpayers, especially at the time of Covid.

Hence, the correct answer is option B. ([Read more](#))

8. Hints to Remember

Who: National Doctors' Day 2021

What: was observed on 30th June 2021

National Doctors' Day 2021: Amidst the pandemic, while India is still battling with the deadly virus, our Frontline Warriors are too fighting to save our life, and one of those heroes are our doctors. There's no better day than today, National Doctor's day to express our gratitude for our medical saviours.

July 1 is celebrated as 'National Doctor's Day' as National Doctors' Day by the Indian Medical Association (IMA). commemorating the iconic and internationally renowned medical practitioner, Dr Bidhan Chandra Roy who served as a physician, a freedom fighter, an educationist and a politician.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. ([Read more](#))



9. Hints to Remember

Who: National Chartered Accountants' Day 2021

What: was observed on July 1

Chartered Accountants'(CA) Day is celebrated on July 1 every year to commemorate the establishment of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI), one of the oldest professional institutes in the country. Established in 1949 by the Parliament of India, ICAI is the second largest accounting and a statutory body in the world and India's national professional accounting body.

CA Day is celebrated annually to honour around 2.5 lakh members of ICAI and chartered accountants across the globe. Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister Amit Shah extended their greetings on the occasion of World CA Day.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. ([Read more](#))

10. Hints to Remember

Who: "Fiercely Female: The Dutee Chand Story"

What: authored by Sundeep Mishra

When: published on 19th June 2021

Dutee Chand, the first openly homosexual athlete from India, scripted history in 2019 when she became the first Indian to win a gold in a 100 metre event at the World Universiade in Naples.

Journalist Sundeep Mishra's book titled 'Fiercely Female: The Dutee Chand Story' chronicles Chand's journey with a detailed narrative of the gender-identity controversy that made her an iconic figure in Indian sport.

Published by Westland Books, the book will be released on 22 June on 'SoftCover' —ThePrint's e-venue to launch select non-fiction books.

Coming from a small village in Odisha, Dutee Chand went on to hold the national record in the women's 100 metres and is only the fifth Indian to participate in the women's 100 metres at the Olympics when she qualified for the 2016 Rio Games.

However, controversy regarding her gender identity abruptly interrupted her dreams as she was dropped from the 2014 Commonwealth Games on the charge that she was ineligible to compete as a female athlete.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. ([Read more](#))



11. Hints to Remember

Who: Sudharma Sanskrit daily editor Sampath Kumar

What: passes away

When: published on 1st July 2021

K V Sampath Kumar (64), editor of 'Sudharma', the world's only Sanskrit daily newspaper, passed away following cardiac arrest in Mysuru on Wednesday.

Sampath Kumar's father Pandit Varadaraja Iyengar had launched 'Sudharma' in 1970. After Varadaraja Iyengar passed away, Sampath Kumar and his wife Jayalakshmi took over its mantle to ensure that it reached the readers.

He used advanced technology, made 'Sudharma' available online and launched the epaper. The print edition of 'Sudharma' has nearly 4,000 readers from various Sanskrit universities and institutions across the country. However, the digital edition has more readers. He had once said in a programme that the newspaper has readers from Kashmir to Kanyakumari.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. ([Read more](#))

12. Hints to Remember

Who: T20 World Cup

What: moved away from India to UAE and Oman due to Covid

When: published on 30th June 2021

The International Cricket Council has moved the Twenty20 World Cup from India to the United Arab Emirates and Oman because of the pandemic.

India will remain the host of the event scheduled from 17 October to 14 November, the ICC said in a statement.

Three Sri Lanka players sent home for Covid breaches before England ODIs

The global governing body gave India until Monday to finalise the venue after its inspection team had to cancel the trip to India in April due to a rise in coronavirus cases. India remains stricken by the virus.

The tournament was originally scheduled for Australia last year, but it was delayed to this year due to the pandemic and given to India. But India's ability to host was put in doubt in May when the Indian Premier League was postponed after several players tested positive for the coronavirus.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. ([Read more](#))



13. Hints to Remember

Who: Indian-American Abhimanyu Mishra

What: becomes youngest ever chess Grandmaster at 12

When: published on 2nd July 2021

Indian-American prodigy Abhimanyu Mishra on Wednesday became the youngest ever chess Grandmaster after he scored his third GM norm in Budapest, Hungary, according to a report.

The 12-year-old from New Jersey in United States became a GM from International Master, having crossed the required 2500 Elo rating barrier, chess.com website said.

Mishra broke GM Sergey Karjakin's record that has stood for 19 years.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. ([Read more](#))

14. Hints to Remember

Who: Abu Dhabi Investment Authority

What: picks up minority stake in Mobikwik for \$20 million

When: published on 27th June 2021

The UAE's sovereign wealth fund Abu Dhabi Investment Authority has picked up a minority stake in the IPO-bound digital payments player Mobikwik for nearly \$20 million (about Rs 150 crore), valuing it at USD 700 million, the company has said. The company was in bad press in March after alleged massive data theft, following which the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) had ordered a forensic audit on the Gurugram-based company set up in 2009. Personal data of its about 10 million customers were allegedly stolen by hackers.

The latest round of funding of \$20 million from the Abu Dhabi Investment Authority values the company at \$700 million (nearly Rs 5,193 crore), according to a Registrar of Companies (RoC) filing by Mobikwik. Since March 2021, it has raised over Rs 235 crore.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. ([Read more](#))

15. Hints to Remember

Who: Amazon Web Services

What: acquires Signal-rival, encrypted messaging app Wickr

When: published on 26th June 2021

Amazon Web Services (AWS) has acquired a messaging application Wickr. The messaging application which was founded in 2012, boasts of emphasis on encryption.



The Amazon subsidiary AWS made the decision official through a social media post. The post read, "We are excited to share that AWS has acquired Wickr, an innovative company that has developed the industry's most secure, end-to-end encrypted, communication technology."

AWS vice president Stephen Schmidt claimed that the acquisition will help the company build its relationships further with the military, and Washington in general, and said that Wickr's features give "security-conscious enterprises and government agencies the ability to implement important governance and security controls to help them meet their compliance requirements."

Hence, the correct answer is option B. ([Read more](#))

16. Hints to Remember

Who: CCI

What: approves merger of Tech Data Corporation with SYNEX Corporation

When: published on 1st July 2021

The Competition Commission of India (CCI) approves merger of Tech Data Corporation (Tech Data) with SYNEX Corporation (SYNEX) under Section 31(1) of the Competition Act, 2002, yesterday.

The Proposed Combination is a merger within the meaning of Section 5(c) of the Competition Act, 2002. It will be effected through the following steps:

Merger of Sub I with and into Tiger Parent, with Tiger Parent being the surviving entity;

Merger of Tiger Parent with and into Sub II, with Sub II being the surviving entity and remaining as a direct wholly owned subsidiary of SYNEX; and

Upon steps (i) and (ii) of the transaction coming into effect, and in consideration of the shares of common stock of Tiger Parent held by Tiger Holdings, SYNEX will issue approximately 45% shares of its common stock (carrying proportionate voting rights) to Tiger Holdings.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. ([Read more](#))

17. Hints to Remember

Who: Jamia Millia Islamia student

What: gets 'The Diana Award 2021' for Covid-19 innovation

When: published on 30th June 2021

Kaif Ali, a 4th-year student of the Bachelor of Architecture(B.Arch), Jamia Millia Islamia(JMI) has been awarded the prestigious The Diana Award 2021 for his exceptional contribution in changing the world with his Covid - 19 innovation— 'Covid-19 Innovation Space Era'.



Established in memory of Diana, Princess of Wales, the Award is given out by the charity of the same name and has the support of both her sons, The Duke of Cambridge and The Duke of Sussex. It is one of the most prestigious accolades a young person can receive for their social action or humanitarian work.

JMI Vice-Chancellor Prof. Najma Akhtar congratulated Kaif for their achievement and said that the university is proud of him. The innovation is according to the need of the hour, and it also shows that in today's competitive world one has to think out of the box to get noticed, Prof. Akhtar said.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. ([Read more](#))

18. Hints to Remember

Who: NPCI

What: Approves NPST's TimePay For Third-Party UPI App

When: published on 1st July 2021

Banking technology provider Network People Services Technology (NPST) has availed a registration for the third-party application provider (TPAP) from the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) for its TimePay solution.

TPAPs are third-party providers that roll out a distinct Unified Payments Interface (UPI) handle for their customers.

NPST aims to put the recently received registration to use by picking cooperative housing societies and merchants in lieu of giving them an application stack that will consist of accounting solutions, invoicing and also payment collections.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. ([Read more](#))

19. Hints to Remember

Who: ICICI Bank

What: Launched Banking Solution for Doctors – 'Salute Doctors'

When: published on 1st July 2021

ICICI Bank today announced the launch of a comprehensive banking solution for doctors, called Salute Doctors. It provides customized banking as well as value-added services for every doctor, beginning from a medical student to a senior medical consultant to an owner of a hospital or a clinic.

The solutions, which are mostly digital and instant, are designed to take care of the professional, business, lifestyle and wealth banking requirements of doctors and their families. The initiative is powered by ICICI STACK, a digital banking platform with nearly 500 services that helps customers of the bank to avail the services digitally and seamlessly.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. ([Read more](#))



20. Hints to Remember

Who: World Bank

What: approves \$500 million loan to support India's informal working class amid pandemic

When: published on 30th June 2021

World Bank on Wednesday said it has approved a USD 500 million (about Rs 3,717.28 crore) loan programme to support India's informal working class to overcome the current pandemic distress.

The loan will create greater flexibility for states to cope with the ongoing pandemic, future climate and disaster shocks, World Bank said in a statement.

Of the USD 500 million commitment, USD 112.50 million will be financed by its concessionary lending arm International Development Association and USD 387.50 million will be a loan from International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD).

Hence, the correct answer is option B. ([Read more](#))



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