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

1. Biggest rocket "Long March 5B" landed in Indian Ocean recently, was from which country?

- A. Japan B. USA C. Russia
D. China E. None of these

2. Who among the following has represented India at the 3rd Arctic Science Ministerial (ASM3)?

- A. Harsh Vardhan B. Prakash Javadekar C. Ramesh Pokhriyal
D. Narendra Modi E. None of these

3. Which company has appointed Srinandan Sundaram as executive director (foods & refreshment)?

- A. ITC Limited B. Britannia Industries C. Godrej Consumer Products
D. Hindustan Unilever E. None of these

4. Who among the following has been appointed as next Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL)?

- A. Arun Kumar Singh B. Vipul Kumar Sharma C. Ankit Kumar Verma
D. Dinesh Kumar Singh E. None of these

5. Who among the following has been appointed as Executive Director (ED) of Reserve Bank of India?

- A. Jose J Kattoor B. Vinod Kapoor C. James L Anderson
D. Addy Minton E. None of these

6. Which bank has tied up with Mashreq Bank of UAE to offer money transfer?

- A. ICICI Bank B. RBL Bank C. DSB Bank
D. Federal Bank E. None of these



7. As per the recent report, which of the following states is going to offer free treatment to Mucormycosis patients?

- A. Gujarat
- B. Maharashtra
- C. Kerala
- D. Tamil Nadu
- E. None of these

8. Which UT has become the 'Har Ghar Jal' Union Territory by ensuring that every rural home gets a household tap connection?

- A. Jammu and Kashmir
- B. Delhi
- C. Puducherry
- D. Chandigarh
- E. None of these

9. Which company has launched 'COVID-19 Vaccine Finder' - a platform to help citizens check the availability of vaccination slots?

- A. Amazon
- B. Paytm
- C. Samsung
- D. Flipkart
- E. None of these

10. Who among the following has been sworn in as the 14th NASA Administrator by Vice President Kamala Harris?

- A. Bill Nelson
- B. Rick Scott
- C. Andrew Gillum
- D. Grace Cavert
- E. None of these

11. 'Miyon ka Bara' station in which state has been renamed Mahesh Nagar?

- A. Rajasthan
- B. Haryana
- C. Punjab
- D. Gujarat
- E. None of these

12. Which firm has developed AI algorithm to detect Covid-19 infection by analysing chest x-rays?

- A. BHEL
- B. HAL
- C. DRDO
- D. NTPC Ltd
- E. None of these



13. Mahindra and Mahindra Financial Services (MMFS) has extended the date of investment of the third and final tranche for acquisition of shares of Ideal Finance from its existing shareholders to September 30, 2021. Ideal Finance is located in which country?

- A. Bangladesh B. Vietnam C. Sri Lanka
D. Nepal E. None of these

14. Canada Pension Plan Investment Board (CPP Investments), the largest Canadian pension fund manager, has bought an additional stake what percent of the total units in IndInfravit Trust for Rs 1,005 crore?

- A. 11.9 per cent B. 14.9 per cent C. 13.9 per cent
D. 15.9 per cent E. None of these

15. Name the Indian UN peacekeeper, who died in line of duty in 2020, was honoured during the UN annual Memorial Service?

- A. Yuvraj Singh B. Mahendra Singh C. Jai Singh
D. Anshul Singh E. None of these

16. Which company has collaborated with NIRA, a Bangalore-based fintech start-up to strengthen its digital footprint and enhance the personal loans growth?

- A. Manappuram Finance Limited
B. Bajaj Finserv Ltd.
C. Muthoot Finance
D. Cholamandalam Investment
E. None of these

17. Which of the following International Banks has launched the 'Asia Pacific Tax Hub' to enhance International Tax Cooperation?

- A. New Development Bank B. World Bank C. Soft Bank
D. Asian Development Bank E. None of these



18. Which country and UNDP India have partnered to provide oxygen generation plants to the North Eastern (NE) Region in India?

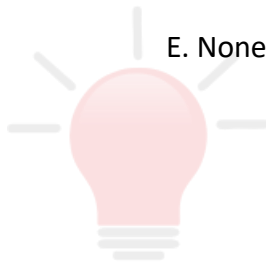
- A. USA B. Japan C. Russia
D. Canada E. None of these

19. The Ministry of Agriculture has formulated a special Kharif strategy for implementation in the ensuing Kharif 2021 season with an aim to attain self-sufficiency in the production of _____ .

- A. Vegetables B. Grains C. Pulses
D. A and B E. B and C

20. Which IIT is going to collaborate with the Mobile Payment Forum of India (MPFI) to develop voice-based solutions, especially in multiple vernacular languages for digital money transactions in the country?

- A. IIT Kanpur B. IIT Delhi C. IIT Madras
D. IIT Kolkata E. None of these



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Correct answer:

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Explanation:

1. Hints to Remember

Who: Long March 5B

What: lands in Indian Ocean

When: published on 9th May 2021

Remnants of China's biggest rocket landed in the Indian Ocean on Sunday, with most of its components destroyed upon re-entry into the atmosphere, ending days of speculation over where the debris would hit but drawing US criticism over lack of transparency.

The coordinates given by Chinese state media, citing the China Manned Space Engineering Office, put the point of impact in the ocean, west of the Maldives archipelago.

Debris from the Long March 5B has had some people looking warily skyward since it blasted off from China's Hainan island on April 29, but the China Manned Space Engineering Office said most of the debris was burnt up in the atmosphere.

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

2. Hints to Remember

Who: India

What: participates in the 3rd Arctic Science Ministerial; shares plans for research and long-term cooperation in the Arctic

When: published on 8th May 2021

India is participating in the 3rd Arctic Science Ministerial (ASM3) - the global platform for discussing research and cooperation in the Arctic region (8-9 May, 2021).

Dr. Harsh Vardhan, Union Minister of Science and Technology, Health and Family Welfare, and Earth Sciences, shared India's vision and long-term plans for research, work, and cooperation in the Arctic region with the stakeholders. He welcomed collaborations towards strengthening observational systems and sharing of data to enhance knowledge. "India would continue to play a positive role in deepening shared understanding of the Arctic through observation, research, capacity building, as well in promoting sustainable development of the region through international cooperation", said Dr Harsh Vardhan. He also proposed that India may be given an opportunity to host the next or future ASM.



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

3. Hints to Remember

Who: HUL

What: appoints new executive director, foods and refreshments

When: published on 10th May 2021

Hindustan Unilever (HUL) has appointed Srinandan Sundaram as executive director (foods & refreshment) with effect from July 1, this year, as the current incumbent Sudhir Sitapati moves on to pursue an external opportunity.

Sundaram is currently the executive director, customer development.

As executive director foods and refreshment, Sitapati led the transformation of tea into a purpose-led category that regained market leadership and gained shares for the last three years. During his tenure, Sitapati led the merger of Adityaa Milk and more recently, GSK Consumer Healthcare business into HUL, bringing iconic brands like Horlicks and Boost into the Unilever family. The Unilever Food Solutions business, under his leadership, was rewired and transformed into a growth engine for the company.

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

4. Hints to Remember

Who: Government

What: names new chairman of privatisation-bound BPCL

When: published on 10th May 2021

Government-headhunter PESB on Monday selected the next chairman and managing director of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL), in signs that the privatisation of the state-owned oil refining and marketing firm may be delayed.

The government had kept the position of chairman and managing director vacant after D Rajkumar retired in August last year. It was thought that the government wants the new CMD to be named after the new management takes over following the privatisation of BPCL.

The newly revamped Public Enterprise Selection Board (PESB) on Monday interviewed prospective candidates and selected Arun Kumar Singh for the position, the headhunter said in a notice.

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

5. Hints to Remember



Who: RBI

What: appoints Jose J Kattoor as new Executive Director

When: published on 10th May 2021

The Reserve Bank of India on Monday appointed Jose J Kattoor as Executive Director (ED) with effect from 4 May 2021, the central bank said in a press release.

Before being promoted as ED, Kattoor was heading Bengaluru Regional Office of the RBI as regional director for Karnataka.

For three decades, Kattoor has served in communication, human resource management, financial inclusion, supervision, currency management, and other areas in the central bank of India.

As Executive Director, Kattoor will look after Human Resource Management Department, Corporate Strategy and Budget Department, and Rajbhasha Department, the RBI added in a release.

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

6. Hints to Remember

Who: Federal Bank

What: ties up with Mashreq Bank of UAE to offer money transfer

When: published on 10th May 2021

Federal Bank has entered into a tie-up with Mashreq Bank, a leading financial institution in the UAE, to facilitate money transfers to India. The partnership will support Mashreq's faster payment product, QuickRemit. Mashreq is one of the oldest banks in the UAE, and has a presence in twelve countries across Europe, US, Asia and Africa.

Shalini Warriar, Executive Director, Federal Bank said, "With a market share of 17 per cent in personal inward remittances to India, we have been always at the forefront of ensuring our remittance business. Federal Bank adds one more partnership to its fold through this tie-up".

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

7. Hints to Remember

Who: Maharashtra govt

What: to offer free treatment to Mucormycosis patients

When: published on 11th May 2021

Maharashtra Health Minister Rajesh Tope has said that patients of Mucormycosis will be treated free of cost under Mahatma Phule Jan Arogya Yojana of the state. Tope said that Mucormycosis is a



rare fungal infection which is now affecting those suffering from Corona virus and the medicines required for the treatment of this disease are expensive, therefore the state has decided to provide free treatment for this disease.

Cases of mucormycosis are rising among COVID-19 survivors, causing blindness or serious illness and even death in some cases and the health department of Maharashtra has taken serious note of it. The state Health Minister Rajesh Tope has said that due to the expensive treatment of the disease, the patients will be treated free of cost in 1000 hospitals in the state under the Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Jan Arogya Yojana. He said that patients with uncontrolled diabetes are more likely to have symptoms of fungal disease and dark spots are found near the nose and lips. He added that if the disease is not treated early, it can have adverse effects on the respiratory system, brain and eyes. Therefore an awareness campaign will be launched in the state to fight the disease. Tope has appealed that the patients suffering from this disease should not panic and those who have diabetes should keep it under control and has also urged the patients to exercise, have a proper diet and take medication on the advice of doctors.

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

8. Hints to Remember

Who: Puducherry

What: becomes 'Har Ghar Jal' UT by ensuring every rural home gets a household tap connection

When: published on 10th May 2021

Puducherry has become the 'Har Ghar Jal' Union Territory by ensuring that every rural home gets a household tap connection. Puducherry has now become the fourth state or UT after Goa, Telangana and Andaman and Nicobar Islands to provide assured tap water supply to every rural home under Central Government's flagship programme, Jal Jeevan Mission, JJM.

The Ministry of Jal Shakti in a statement said that all 1.16 lakh rural households in Puducherry have tap water supply now. The UT has achieved the 'Har Ghar Jal' status much ahead of the target fixed. The Ministry also said that the State of Punjab and the UTs of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu have also crossed the milestone of covering 75 per cent of rural homes with assured tap water supply. Punjab has also planned for 100 per cent coverage of all rural households by 2022.

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

9. Hints to Remember

Who: Paytm

What: launches Covid-19 vaccine finder tool

When: published on 7th May 2021



Fintech major Paytm on Thursday launched 'COVID-19 Vaccine Finder' - a platform to help citizens check the availability of vaccination slots - on its Mini App store. The platform will help citizens to check the availability of vaccination slots for a specific date by individually entering different pin codes or district details along with age group (18+ or 45+), a statement said.

In case the slots are saturated for the near future, users can select the option for real-time alerts from Paytm once any slot is free, it added.

"The automated process reduces the hassle and ordeal of refreshing the platform for new slots repeatedly. The data is sourced on a real-time basis from the CoWIN API where a slot can be booked to take the vaccination," it said.

A Paytm spokesperson said the new feature will help users find COVID vaccine slots in their locality and set for alerts when new slots open up.

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

10. Hints to Remember

Who: Former Senator Bill Nelson

What: Sworn in as the 14th NASA Administrator by Vice President Kamala Harris

When: published on 4th May 2021

Former Senator Bill Nelson, is ceremonially sworn-in as the 14th NASA Administrator by Vice President Kamala Harris, as his wife, Grace Nelson, holds their family Bible, and his daughter, Nan Ellen Nelson, left, looks on, Monday, May 3, 2021, at the Ceremonial Office in the Old Executive Office Building in Washington. A moon rock collected by astronaut John Young during the Apollo 16 mission was on display and former NASA Administrators Jim Bridenstine (virtually on laptop) and Charles Bolden were also present.

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

11. Hints to Remember

Who: 'Miyon ka Bara' Railway Station

What: renamed Mahesh Nagar in Jodhpur, Rajasthan

When: published on 8th May 2021

The name of Miyon ka Bara railway station in Rajasthan's Jodhpur has been changed to Mahesh Nagar after getting an approval from various departments, a senior government official said.

Earlier, in August 2018, the name of the village was officially changed from Miyon ka Bara to Mahesh Nagar after residents complained that they were unable to get matrimonial matches for their children as the name gave an impression that it is inhabited by Muslims. The Union Home



Ministry had approved the change of name and conveyed the decision to the Rajasthan government in 2018.

A similar exercise was repeated for renaming the railway station as it is a Union subject.

The village in has a population of around 1400 people.

The Hindu had earlier reported that during the pre-Independence period, the original name of the village was Mahesh Ro Bado and over a time its name changed, giving an impression that it is inhabited by Muslims.

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

12. Hints to Remember

Who: DRDO

What: develops AI algorithm to detect Covid-19 infection by analysing chest x-rays

When: published on 10th May 2021

The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has developed an artificial intelligence algorithm 'ATMAN AI', that can detect Covid-19 infection by analysing chest x-rays.

This method for rapid identification and assessment of lung involvement was developed with the support of 5C Network & HCG Academics.

This will be utilized by online diagnostic startup 5C Network, India's largest digital network of radiologists, with support of HCG Academics across India.

UK Singh, director, CAIR, DRDO, said: "The development of ATMAN, an artificial intelligence- based diagnostic tool for chest x-ray screening is part of DRDO's effort to help clinicians and partners on the frontline to have the tools they need to rapidly diagnose and effectively treat Covid-19 patients. Given the limited testing facilities for coronavirus, there is a rush to develop AI tools for quick analysis using x-rays. The tool will help in automatically detecting radiological findings indicative of Covid-19 in seconds, enabling physicians and radiologists to more effectively triage the cases, especially in an emergency environment."

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

13. Hints to Remember

Who: Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services

What: extends date of investment in Sri Lankan finance co by 6 months

When: published on 11th May 2021



Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services (MMFS) has extended the date of investment of the third and final tranche for acquisition of shares of Sri Lanka-based Ideal Finance from its existing shareholders to September 30, 2021.

“Due to the Covid-19 pandemic which has disrupted the business environment in both India and Sri Lanka, the Parties have mutually agreed to extend the date of completion of the aforesaid acquisition of shares with an intention to complete the same, latest by 30th September, 2021 (from March-end 2021), subject to necessary regulatory approvals,” MMFS said in a regulatory filing. Accordingly, the Parties will shortly be executing an addendum to the Agreement in this regard, it added.

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

14. Hints to Remember

Who: CPP Investments

What: pays Rs 1,005 cr for addl 15.9% stake in IndInfravit Trust

When: published on 6th May 2021

Canada Pension Plan Investment Board (CPP Investments), the largest Canadian pension fund manager, today said it bought an additional 15.9 per cent of the total units in IndInfravit Trust for Rs 1,005 crore. The units were bought in two separate deals.

CPP Investments has acquired seven per cent of the units from Sadbhav Infrastructure Project and will acquire an additional 8.9 per cent from L&T IDPL, which, upon completion, will increase CPP Investments' stake in IndInfravit from 27.9 per cent to 43.8 per cent .

IndInfravit is an infrastructure investment trust (InvIT) sponsored by L&T Infrastructure Development Projects Limited . Launched in 2018, IndInfravit acquires and maintains stable brownfield road concessions in the country.

IndInfravit holds a portfolio of 13 operational road concessions across five states including Karnataka, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu and Telangana.

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

15. Hints to Remember

Who: Indian peacekeeper, who died in line of duty last year

What: honoured at UN memorial ceremony

When: published on 7th May 2021

An Indian UN peacekeeper Yuvraj Singh, who died in line of duty in 2020, was honoured during the UN annual Memorial Service on Thursday.



The United Nations on Thursday honoured 336 personnel who lost their lives in the line of duty in 2020, the highest number ever in a single year, in a memorial ceremony, held online.

Tributes were paid to civilian and uniformed staff who died because of malicious acts, natural disasters and other incidents.

India's Permanent Representative to UN TS Tirumurti paid tributes to Singh and saluted his valour.

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

16. Hints to Remember

Who: Muthoot Finance

What: to offer personal loans to salaried customers

When: published on 10th May 2021

Muthoot Finance Limited announced earlier this week that it is starting a collaboration with fintech start-up NIRA as part of its strategy to expand its presence in the digital market.

Under the tie-up, salaried customers will be able to avail a personal loan of up to Rs 1 lakh from Muthoot Finance through the NIRA app, downloadable from the Google's Play store.

NIRA is a Bengaluru-based fintech company offering small ticket personal loans to salaried workers its borrowers have incomes starting at as low as Rs 12,000 per month.

Commenting on the development, Pradeep, Head of Personal Loan Department, Muthoot Finance said, "We are excited to have this tie-up to enhance our personal loan growth with quality. Muthoot Finance is also aggressively moving towards an end-to-end digital process, and this tie-up is one of the initiatives in the same direction."

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

17. Hints to Remember

Who: ADB

What: launches Asia Pacific Tax Hub to enhance International Tax Cooperation

When: published on 7th May 2021

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has launched a hub to create an open and inclusive platform to promote strategic policy dialogue, improve knowledge sharing and strengthen coordination on tax policy and administration among ADB members and development partners.



The Asia Pacific Tax Hub will maximise regional and international resources to strengthen domestic resource mobilisation and international tax cooperation in ADB's developing member countries (DMCs).

"Domestic resource mobilisation has emerged as a major strategic priority for our DMCs at this moment. It will be vital in the effort to address debt sustainability and to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals," said ADB President Masatsugu Asakawa.

The lack of a pan-regional tax community has been a unique and significant shortcoming for Asia and the Pacific, he said.

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

18. Hints to Remember

Who: Japan, UNDP India

What: joint efforts to Boost Oxygen Supply in India's NE Region

When: published on 11th may 2021

As India continues to battle the second wave of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Japanese government and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) India have partnered to provide oxygen generation plants to the North-Eastern region of India.

According to a press release by the Embassy of Japan, the government of Japan and UNDP India have been jointly supporting the Indian government's response to the Covid-19 pandemic since June last year through the strengthening of health and social protection systems and reviving livelihoods to address the impact of the virus on the lives of the most vulnerable population.

The Embassy noted that one of the key challenges of the pandemic has been the acute shortage of medical oxygen.

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

19. Hints to Remember

Who: Agriculture Ministry

What: formulates special Kharif strategy for ensuing Kharif season to attain self sufficiency in production of pulses

When: published on 6th May 2021

The Ministry of Agriculture has formulated a special Kharif strategy for implementation in the ensuing Kharif 2021 season with an aim to attain self-sufficiency in the production of pulses. Under the strategy, utilising all the high yielding varieties of seeds that are available either with the



Central Seed Agencies or in the States will be distributed free of cost to increase area through intercropping and sole crop.

For the coming Kharif 2021, it is proposed to distribute more than 20 lakh mini kits of seeds amounting to nearly Rs 82 crore. It is ten times more than last year. The total cost for these mini-kits will be borne by the Central Government to boost the production and productivity of tur, moong and urad. The move will cover over four lakh hectare area across the country. The Ministry of Agriculture in a statement said that for effective implementation of the Kharif mini kit programme, a massive outreach with the concerned districts will be held.

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

20. Hints to Remember

Who: IIT Madras

What: to provide technical expertise to boost Digital Money Transactions in India

When: published on 10th may 2021

Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT Madras) researchers will collaborate with members of the Mobile Payment Forum of India (MPFI) to develop voice-based solutions, especially in multiple vernacular languages for digital money transactions in the country.

This will provide a phenomenal platform not only for the increased adoption of digital payments in India but for research opportunities as well.

At present, there are more than 100 million active UPI users every month in India, as per the Government of India's statistics.

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





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