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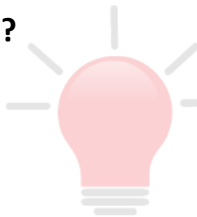
Directions: Study the following questions carefully and answer the questions given below.

1. Khadi and Village Industries Commission has recently launched a 'Terracotta Grinder' in which of the following cities?

- A. Kanpur B. Varanasi C. Gorakhpur
D. Agra E. None of these

2. As per the current regime, what is the new Merchant Discount Rate (MDR) for transactions above Rs 2,000 in BHIM UPI (Unified Payment Interface) transactions?

- A. 0.65% B. 0.50% C. 0.75%
D. 0.30% E. None of these



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3. Which of the following countries has recently partnered with Reliance Power for gas-based power plant set up in the country?

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

4. The 4th South-Asian Speaker's Summit was recently held in which of the following cities?

- A. Paris B. Geneva C. New Delhi
D. Male E. None of these

5. The Joint Naval Annual Quality Conclave was recently held in _____.

- A. Visakhapatnam B. Cochin C. Mangalore
D. Chennai E. None of these

6. Sanjiv Ranjan has recently become the next Indian ambassador to which of the following countries?

- A. Chile B. Peru C. Bolivia
D. Ecuador E. None of these

7. Which of the following female cricketer of India has recently retired from T20 internationals?

- A. Shikha Pandey B. Deepti Sharma C. Jhulan Goswami
D. Mithali Raj E. None of these

8. Which of the following state governments has recently decided to play the role of a recruitment agency for the youth wanting to work abroad?

- A. Punjab B. West Bengal C. Tamil Nadu
D. Haryana E. None of these

9. Which of the following IITs has recently collaborated with Amazon Web Services (AWS) to launch National Artificial Intelligence Resource Portal (NAIRP)?

- A. IIT Indore B. IIT Bombay C. IIT Madras
D. IIT Kharagpur E. None of these

10. Name the cultural event that was organized to showcase pacific region cultures in India.

- A. Diverse Pacific B. Namaste Pacific C. Integrated Pacific
D. Welcome Pacific E. None of these

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Correct answers:

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

Explanations:

1.

Hints to Remember

Who: KVIC

What: launches 'Terracotta Grinder' at Varanasi to reuse wasted pottery

When: published on 3rd September 2019

Never refuse to reuse is the new motto of the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) that has launched a pioneering method to recycle pieces of pottery and terracotta items.

The KVIC's first-ever terracotta grinder, gifted to potter Bindu in Sewapuri here on Monday, will pound and pulverise broken or damaged earthenware, which will then be mixed with clay and reused. The recycling method will not only resolve the clay crisis and reduce the cost of production, but will also make the end products more durable.

For the complete information kindly visit given link:

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/varanasi/from-waste-to-wonder-kvic-gifts-terracotta-grinder-to-varanasi-potter/articleshow/70957801.cms>

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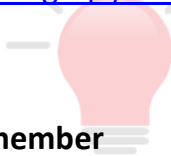
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Who: Bangladesh

What: signs deal with Reliance Power to buy electricity for 22 years

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Reliance plans to invest about \$1 billion to set up a local plant by 2022 to provide the electricity. The plant will be built at Meghnaghat in Narayanganj, over 20 km southeast of the capital Dhaka, according to a project report seen by Reuters at an event held to close the deal.

The combined-cycle power plant will be fueled by gas and regasification liquefied natural gas and be fully owned by Reliance.

Bangladesh agreed a deal with China last week to build renewable energy projects providing 500 megawatts by 2023 at an investment cost of \$400 million, in the latest sign of Beijing's growing role in the South Asian nation's energy sector.

For the complete information kindly visit given link:

https://www.business-standard.com/article/companies/bangladesh-signs-deal-with-reliance-power-to-buy-electricity-for-22-years-119090100648_1.html

4.

Hints to Remember

Who: 4th South-Asian Speaker's Summit

What: was held in Male, Maldives

When: published on 1st September 2019

The fourth South Asian Speakers' Summit kicked off in the Maldives capital on Sunday with the secretary general of the Inter-Parliamentary Union and senior lawmakers from Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

Hosted at the People's Majlis building in Malé, the two-day meeting focuses on achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. The annual summit was organised jointly by the IPU and the Maldives parliament.

In his remarks at the opening ceremony, Speaker Mohamed Nasheed observed that the biggest challenge faced by centrist politicians in the region was balancing climate change mitigation and economic development.

For the complete information kindly visit given link:

<https://maldivesindependent.com/politics/south-asian-speakers-summit-begins-in-maldives-147668>

5.

Hints to Remember

Who: Joint Naval Annual Quality Conclave

What: was held in Visakhapatnam

When: published on 4th September 2019

The Joint Naval Annual Quality Conclave (JNAQC) with the theme of 'Transformation of QA Paradigm: Opportunities and Challenges' will be hosted by the Naval Quality Assurance Establishments under the aegis of Director General Quality Assurance (DGQA), Ministry of Defence, in the city on September 5.

The conclave will be inaugurated by Vice Admiral Atul Kumar Jain, Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief of Eastern Naval Command (ENC). A group of leaders and apex level leadership of large organisations will deliver addresses during the JNAQC.

The guest speakers include Dr. Tessy Thomas, DS & DG (Aero Systems), DRDO; Rear Admiral Kalidoss Srinivas, Project Director, Ship Building Centre; Rear Admiral S.K. Nair, Assistant Chief of Materiel (Information Technology & Systems); Rear Admiral S. Chaubey (Retd), CMD ECIL; Rear Admiral Surendra Ahuja (Retd), MD, Boeing India; Rear Admiral Shekhar Mital (Retd), MD & CEO CEMS India Limited; Commodore Siddharth Mishra (Retd), CMD, BDL; and R. Muralidharan, Chief Technology Officer of Tata Power SED.

For the complete information kindly visit given link:

<https://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/Visakhapatnam/joint-naval-annual-quality-conclave-tomorrow/article29326158.ece>

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Who: Sanjiv Ranjan

What: concurrently accredited as the next Ambassador of India to the Republic of Ecuador

When: published on 2nd September 2019

Shri Sanjiv Ranjan (IFS:1993), presently Ambassador of India to the Republic of Colombia, has been concurrently accredited as the next Ambassador of India to the Republic of Ecuador, with residence in Bogota.

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<https://www.mea.gov.in/press-releases.htm?dtl/31783/Sanjiv+Ranjan+concurrently+accredited+as+the+next+Ambassador+of+India+to+the+Republic+of+Ecuador>

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Hints to Remember

Who: Mithali Raj

What: announces retirement from T20 Internationals

When: published on 3rd September 2019

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"After representing India in T20 internationals since 2006, I wish to retire from T20Is to focus my energies on readying myself for the 2021 One Day World Cup," said Mithali, who had captained Indian women's first-ever T20I played in Derby back in 2006.

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For the complete information kindly visit given link:

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/sports/cricket/news/mithali-raj-announces-retirement-from-t20-internationals/articleshow/70958910.cms>

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What: decided to play the role of a recruitment agency for the youth wanting to work abroad

When: published on 2nd September 2019

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The move came following regular complaints of fraud by travel agents.

"We have paid Rs 50 lakh in fee to the Union government for registering the department as an agent for sending the youth abroad for jobs," said Punjab Employment Generation Minister Charanjit Singh Channi here.

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For the complete information kindly visit given link:

http://ptinews.com/news/10822820_Punjab-govt-to-help-youth-get-jobs--study-abroad.html

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Who: IIT Kharagpur, Amazon

What: Join Hands To Develop Artificial Intelligence (AI) Portal

When: published on 31st August 2019

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<https://www.ndtv.com/education/iit-kharagpur-amazon-join-hands-to-develop-ai-portal-2093500>



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<https://www.aninews.in/news/world/asia/namaste-pacific-culture-of-countries-in-pacific-region-showcased-in-delhi20190831081127/>



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Top 10 news of the day : 7th September 2019

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7. Police academy of international standards to be set up soon in Lucknow.

(Important Current Affairs Quiz of 7th September 2019)

Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has announced that a police academy of international standards will be set up very soon in Lucknow for training cops which will be the first of its kind of institute in the state.

He was speaking at the inaugural function of State Police Headquarters 'Signature' building in Lucknow yesterday. On this occasion, he also said that better policing has changed the perception about the state and investors now coming forward for investment in the state.

AIR Correspondent reports that the State Police Headquarters was running from a camp office established as make-shift arrangement in 1937. Inaugurating the new building of police headquarters, Chief Minister said that he also wants to open a forensic university to ensure that State Police are not dependent on any other agency in case of any eventuality.

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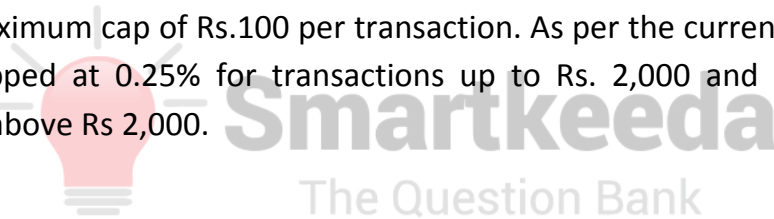
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