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IMPORTANT DAYS

- 1. 24th January-National Girl Child day: The Ministry of Women and Child Development of the Government of India established National Girl Child Day in 2008. The Ministry of Education will host a celebration with the theme "Self Defence Training for Girls."
- 2. International Day of Education 2023- January 24: United Nations (UN)'s International Day of Education (IDE) is annually observed across the globe on January 24 to celebrate the role of education in peace and development. 24th January 2023 marks the 5th observation of International Day of Education. The theme of International Day of Education 2023 is "to invest in people, prioritize education". About the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO): Director-General- Audrey Azoulay Headquarters- Paris, France Establishment- 1945 (came into force in 1946) Members- 193 Members
- 3. 13th National Voters' Day 25th January 2023: On 25th January 2023, the Election Commission of India (ECI) celebrated the 13th edition of National Voters' Day (NVD) across India to spread awareness about the importance of voting, and participating in the electoral process. The theme of 2023 National Voters' Day is 'Nothing Like Voting, I Vote for Sure'. About Election Commission of India: Chief Election Commissioner- Rajiv Kumar Election Commissioner- Anup Chandra Pandey and Arun Goel Headquarters- New Delhi, Delhi.
- 4. National Tourism Day 2023 January 25: National Tourism Day is annually observed across India on January 25 to raise awareness and promote tourism for India's economic and financial growth and development. Aim:
 - The day aims to save national heritage and create popular tourist spots across India. About the Ministry of Tourism:
 - Minister- G. Kishan Reddy
- 5. 74th Republic Day of India 26th January 2023: India celebrated its 74th Republic Day on 26th January 2023. The republic day events and parade were held at the newly-renovated and renamed Kartavya Path(previously known as Rajpath) in New Delhi, Delhi. The Republic day of India marks and celebrates the date on which the Constitution of India came into effect on 26 January 1950. President of India, Droupadi Murmu, led her maiden Republic Day celebrations at Kartavya Path and unfurled the national flag. Egyptian President Abdel Fattah El —Sisi is the chief guest of the 74th Republic Day.
- The 17th Data Privacy Day 28th January 2023: Data Privacy Day or Data Protection Day is annually observed across the globe on January 28. It is an international initiative to raise awareness about the significance of protecting Data Privacy Day 2023, promoting trust, and respecting privacy. The day commemorates the anniversary of the opening for signature of Convention 108, the global data protection Convention, on 28th January 1981.

28th January 2023 marks the 17th edition of Data Protection Day.

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- World Leprosy Day 29th January 2023: The World Leprosy Day(WLD) is annually observed across the globe on the last Sunday of January to create awareness about the fact that Leprosy, otherwise known as Hansen's disease, still exists and to educate people to end leprosy-related stigma and discrimination. The day also aims to celebrate the people who have experienced leprosy. The theme for World Leprosy Day 2023 is 'Act Now: End Leprosy'. Observance in India: In India, Leprosy Day is annually observed on 30th January to coincide with the death anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, who did much work with persons affected by leprosy.
- Martyrs' Day 2023 30th January 2023: Martyrs' Day, also known as Sarvodaya day or Shaheed Diwas, is annually observed across India on January 30 to pay tribute to all who sacrificed their lives for India. The day also marks the death anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, who was fondly called 'Bapu'. 30th January 2023 marks the 75th anniversary of the Martyrdom Day of Mahatma Gandhi. Martyrs' Day or Shaheed Diwas is also observed across India on March 23 to commemorate the sacrifice of 3 young freedom fighters of India Bhagat Singh, Shivaram Rajguru, and Sukhdev Thapar. 23rd March 2023 marks the 92nd death anniversary of the 3 freedom fighters.

NATIONAL AFFAIRS

- 1. World Economic Forum 2023 Summit held in Davos, Switzerland: The World Economic Forum (WEF) held its 53rd Annual Meeting, "World Economic Forum—2023" [Davos Summit], from January 16 to 20, 2023, in the highest city in Europe, Davos, Switzerland. The theme of the WEF Summit 2023 is "Cooperation in a Fragmented World."
 - The WEF hosted the event in collaboration with the Swiss government and the Canton of Graubünden. What is the World Economic Forum? The World Economic Forum (WEF) is an annual gathering of leaders from business, politics, and academia to discuss the most pressing issues confronting the global economy. About Annual Meeting It was the 53rd edition of the Annual meeting of the WEF. The meeting has brought together 2,700 leaders from 130 countr...
- 2. Chandigarh's Administrator Inaugurates North India's largest floating Solar Project of 2000kWp: Banwari Lal Purohit, Governor of Punjab and Administrator of Chandigarh, inaugurated North India's largest floating Solar project of 2000kWp(Kilowatt peak) at Water Works in Chandigarh. He also inaugurated a 500kWp floating Solar Project with Fountains at Dhanas Lake in Chandigarh. The 2000kWp solar project in the water works of Chandigarh is a unique floating project and it is a one of its kind solar plant in North India. Capacity: Annually, these projects will generate a minimum of 35 lakh Units (kWh kilowatt-hour) of solar energy with 20% module efficiency. Total Cost: The 2000kWp plant at water works has been installed at a total cost of Rs 11.70 crores and the 500kWp plant at Dhanas Lake has been installed at a cost of Rs 3.34 crores. Note: The Dhanas lake with a fountain was developed and beautified as a part of the efforts of CREST and the Forest and Wildlife Department.
- 3. NITI Aayog's AIM, CBSE, Intel India Collaborate to Bring Change in Education Sector: A tripartite agreement has been inked between the NITI (National Institution for Transforming India) Aayog's Atal Innovation Mission(AIM); Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)- Ministry of Education (MoE); TEACHERS' VISION SCO-77, TOP FLOOR, SEC-15D CHD PH:- 7529000184

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and Intel India to bring a change in the education sector by utilizing future skills, such as Artificial Intelligence (AI), in the formal curriculum. It was signed during an event at Dr Ambedkar International Centre, New Delhi, Delhi which was attended by Dr. Chintan Vaishnav, Mission Director, AIM. Aim of the Agreement: i. To increase the pace of tech integration for youth ii. To bridge the future skills gap in the country. iii. To optimize the current infrastructure (ATLs, etc). About National Institution for Transforming India (NITI) Aayog: CEO- Parameswaran Iyer Headquarters- New Delhi, Delhi Establishment- 2015

- 4. Indian Railways Introduces "Ideal Train Profile" To Maximize Seat Occupancy: The Indian Railways has introduced the "Ideal Train Profile" to maximize capacity utilization and revenue generation in reserved mail express trains by analyzing the demand pattern of each individual train on a regular basis. The "Ideal Train Profile" is essentially a decision support tool for seat capacity optimization, as there can be more than 5,000 different ticket-class combinations on a single train journey.
- MoE Released AISHE 2020-21: Enrolment in Higher Education Increases to 4.14 crore: The Ministry of Education (MoE) released the All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE) 2020-2021. AISHE 2020-21 was the 11th annual Survey and 1st Survey being conducted using an entirely online data collection platform through the Web Data Capture Format (Web DCF), which was Developed by the Department of Higher Education and the National Informatics Centre (NIC).

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- 1. India among top 3 nations in Expanding Organic Farming in 2020; Argentina Tops: According to "The World of Organic Agriculture Statistics & Emerging Trends 2022" report by the Research Institute of Organic Agriculture FiBL & IFOAM Organics International (formerly known as the International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movements), India is among the top 3 countries in the world, where the total area under organic agriculture expanded the maximum in 2020.
- 2. India Likely to Surpass China as the Most Populous Country by 2023: India, which presently has 1.38 billion people, is on track to overtake China, which currently has 1.4 billion people, as the world's most populous country in 2023. India's population is expected to reach 1.668 billion in 2050, surpassing China's 1.317 billion at the time.
 - This can be attributable to the fact that China's population began to decline in 2022, for the first time in six decades since 1962. The National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) of China reported that as of the end of 2022, China's population was 1.41175 billion, a decrease of about 850,000 people from the end of 2021. The last time China recorded a decline in population was in 1961, the final year of the Great Famine under former leader Mao Zedong. About People's Republic of China: President Xi Jinping Capital Beijing Currency Renminbi (RMB).
- 3. Veer Guardian 2023: 1st edition of India-Japan Joint Air Defence Exercise held in Japan: Veer Guardian-2023, a joint Air Exercise between India and Japan involving the Indian Air Force and Japan Air Self Defence Force (JASDF) was held at Hyakuri Air Base, Japan and its surrounding airspace in Omitama and Iruma Air Base in Sayama, Japan from 12th January 2023 to 26 January 2023. This is the inaugural edition of the bilateral Air Exercise 'Veer Guardian 2023' between India & Japan. About the TEACHERS' VISION SCO-77, TOP FLOOR, SEC-15D CHD PH:- 7529000184

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Indian Air force (IAF): Chief of the Air Staff - Air Chief Marshal VR Chaudhari Headquarters— New Delhi, Delhi Established- 1932 About Japan: Prime Minister- Fumio Kishida Capital- Tokyo Currency- Japanese yen

4. South Africa to host 15th BRICS summit at Durban in late August 2023: Sergei Lavrov, the foreign minister of Russia, and Osman Saleh, the foreign minister of the State of Eritrea, jointly announced South Africa's Durban as a host of the 15th BRICS (Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa) Summit. The summit will be held in August 2023. Previously, South Africa hosted the 5th BRICS Summit from 26 to 27 March 2013. In April 2011, South Africa participated, for the first time, in the 3rd BRICS Summit held in Sanya, China. Since 2009, the BRICS leaders have convened 14 formal meetings and 9 informal meetings.

BANKING & FINANCE

- Financial Solutions Limited (BFSL), a wholly owned subsidiary of Bank of Baroda (BoB), launched 'Vikram the contactless RuPay credit card' dedicated to the Indian defence, paramilitary, and police personnel on the occasion of 74th Republic Day celebrations i.e. January 26, 2023. It will be offered as Lifetime Free (LTF) and it comes with reward points and an activation gift of a complimentary OTT (Over-The-Top) subscription. About Bank of Baroda (BoB): Managing Director (MD) & Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Sanjiv Chadha Headquarters Vadodara, Gujarat Establishment 1908

 About BOB Financial Solutions Limited (BFSL): MD & CEO- Shailendra Singh Headquarters Mumbai, Maharashtra Tagline- Credit Reimagined
- 2. NSE Ranked 3rd In The Equities Segment & World's Largest Derivatives Exchange in 2022:

 Futures Industry Association (FIA), a derivatives trade body, the National Stock Exchange of India Ltd (NSE India) has once again emerged as the world's largest derivatives exchange in terms of the number of contracts traded in 2022. The NSE India has retained its top spot for a record-breaking 4th year in a row. Furthermore, according to World Federation of Exchanges (WFE) statistics, the NSE was named the 3rd largest exchange in the world in the equity segment by the number of trades (electronic order book) in 2022, up from 4th in 2021. About the National Stock Exchange of India Ltd (NSE India): MD & CEO Ashishkumar Chauhan Incorporated in 1992 (commenced operations as a stock exchange in 1994) Headquarters Mumbai, Maharashtra.

APPOINTMENTS

1. Chris Hipkins Becomes 41st Prime Minister of New Zealand, Jacinda Ardern resigned: Chris Hipkins (44 years old), leader of the Labour Party, was sworn in as the 41st Prime Minister (PM) of New Zealand by the governor-general Cindy Kiro, King Charles representative in New Zealand, during a ceremony in Wellington, New Zealand. Chris Hipkins took over the premiership succeeding Jacinda Ardern(42 years old), after she tendered her resignation to Governor-General Cindy Kiro on 25th January 2023. Carmel Sepuloni was also sworn in as the deputy PM, the first time that a person with

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Pacific Island heritage has taken the role. About New Zealand: Prime Minister – Chris Hipkins Governor General – Cindy Kiro Capital – Wellington Currency – New Zealand dollar

- 2. Gol Extends tenure of Sangeeta Verma as Acting Chairperson of CCI: The Government of India (Gol) has extended the tenure of Sangeeta Verma as acting Chairperson of the Competition Commission of India (CCI).
 - In October 2022, She was appointed as the acting Chairperson of CCI for a period of 3 months following the retirement of Full time chairman Ashok Kumar Gupta on 25th October 2022. About Competition Commission of India (CCI): Chairperson Sangeeta Verma Headquarters New Delhi, Delhi Establishment 2003
- 3. India elected as Vice-Chair at the 12th session of FAO's ITWG on AnGR: During the 12th Session of the Intergovernmental Technical Working Group (ITWG) on Animal Genetic Resources (AnGR) at Rome, Italy from January 18-20, 2023, India was elected as the Vice-Chair and represented the Asia & Pacific region. Dr Bhupendra Nath Tripathi, Deputy Director General (Animal Sciences), ICAR (Indian Council of Agricultural Research), and the National Coordinator, vice-chaired the Session and also acted as Rapporteur. What is ITWG? It wascreated by the Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO's) Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (CGRFA) at its 7th Session in May 1997. It reviews technical issues, advises and makes recommendations to the Commission and further implements the Commission's programme related to AnGR at global level. About Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO): Director-General- QU Dongyu Headquarters- Rome, Italy Establishment- 1945
- 4. Petr Pavel, Former Chair of NATO Military Committee, elected as new President of Czech Republic: Petr Pavel (61-year-old), the former chairman of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO)military committee, won the runoff vote defeating former Prime Minister (PM) Andrej Babis, to become the 4th President of Czech Republic. He will succeed Milos Zeman who steps down in March 2023 at the end of his 2nd term. About the Czech Republic:

Prime Minister (PM)- Petr Fiala Capital- Prague Currency- Czech Koruna

<u>AWARDS</u>

- 1. Gol announces winners of Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar for 2023: On 23rd January 2023, on the occasion of the birth anniversary of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose, the Government of India (Gol) has selected the Odisha State Disaster Management Authority (OSDMA) and Lunglei Fire Station (LFS), Mizoram, for the Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar (SCBAPP) for 2023 under the Institutional category for their excellent work in Disaster Management. About Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar: Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar(SCBAPP) was instituted by National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), under the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), the Government of India(Gol) in 2018 to recognise and honour the invaluable ...
- 2. Visakhapatnam Railway Station receives 'Green Railway Station Certification' with Highest Platinum Rating:

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Visakhapatnam railway station of East Coast Railway has been awarded the "Green Railway Station Certification" with the highest Platinum rating by the Indian Green Building Council (IGBC) for adopting green concepts thereby reducing the adverse environmental impact. Visakhapatnam station secured 82 out of 100 points in 6 environmental categories, such as sustainable facilities, health, hygiene, energy and water efficiency, smart green initiatives, and innovation and development. IGBC Green Railway Stations rating system: i. IGBC Green Railway Stations rating system is the first of its kind holistic rating in India to address environmental sustainab...

3. Padma Awards 2023: President Approves 106 Padma Awards; List Includes 6 Padma Vibhushan, 9 Padma Bhushan, 91 Padma Shri Awards, With 7 Posthumous Awardees: On January 25, 2023, the Padma Awards 2023 were announced by the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) on the eve of India's 74th Republic Day. The President of India, Droupadi Murmu, has approved the conferment of 106 Padma Awards for the year 2023. Padma Awards, one of India's highest civilian honours, are given in three categories: Padma Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan, and Padma Shri. "Padma Vibhushan," India's second-highest civilian honour, is given for exceptional and distinguished service.

"Padma Bhushan" is given for distinguished service of high order "Padma Shri" is given for distinguished service in any field Padma Awards 2023. The 106 Padma Awards in 2023 comprises 6 Padma Vibhushan, 9 Padma Bhushan, and 91 Padma Shri Awards, including 3 duo cases (in a duo case, the award is counted as one). There are 19 women among the awardees, as well as 2 persons from the category of Foreigners/ Non-Resident Indian (NRI) / Person of Indian Origin (PIO) / Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) and 7 Posthumous awardees.

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

1. Aditya-L1: India's 1st mission to Study the Sun to be launched by June-July 2023: The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) is set to launch the Aditya-L1 mission, 1st Indian space mission to observe the Sun and the solar corona, to the L1 orbit (which is the first Lagrangian point of the Sun-Earth system) by June or July 2023 since the launch window for the mission would close by August 2023. L1 orbit allows Aditya-L1 to look at the Sun continuously.

Aditya-L1 Mission: i. The Aditya-1 Mission, originally known as Aditya-L1, was initially meant to put into an 800-kilometre (km) low-Earth orbit (LEO) as a 400-kg class satellite but it was later decided that the satellite would be launched into a halo orbit around the Sun-Earth system's first Lagrangian Point (L1). ii. Aditya-L1 is equipped with a total of 7 payloads, the Visible Emission Line Coronagraph (VELC) being the main one.

SPORTS

1. FIH Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup 2023: Germany won its 3rd Hockey World Cup Title:

Germany(Nickname: Die Honamas) won the (Fédération Internationale de Hockey or International Hockey Federation) FIH Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup 2023 by defeating the defending champions Belgium(Nickname: The Red Lions) by 5-4 in the Penalty shootout during the finals held in Kalinga

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Stadium in Bhubaneswar, Odisha. This marks Germany's 3rd hockey World Cup title, earlier they won the world cup in 2002 and 2006. FIH Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup 2023, the 15th edition of the Men's FIH Hockey World Cup, is a quadrennial world championship for men's national field hockey teams organised by the FIH. FIH Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup 2023 was held at the Kalinga Stadium in Bhubaneswar, Odisha and Birsa Munda International Hockey Stadium in Rourkela, Odisha from 13th to 29th January 2023. About Fédération Internationale de Hockey (FIH - International Hockey Federation): President- Tayyab Ikram Chief Executive Officer (CEO)- Thierry Weil Headquarters-Lausanne, Switzerland.

- 2. Winners of ICC Awards 2022 announced: India's Suryakumar Yadav & Renuka Singh Among Winners: The International Cricket Council (ICC) announced the winners of the ICC awards 2022, India's Suryakumar Yadav has won the ICC Men's T20I Cricketer of the Year 2022 while compatriot Renuka Singh has won the ICC Emerging Women's Cricketer of the Year 2022 award. About International Cricket Council (ICC): Chair– Greg Barclay Chief Executive– Geoff Allardice Headquarters– Dubai, United Arab Emirates (UAE) Establishment– 1909
- 3. Thailand's Kunlavut Vitidsarn wins India Open Badminton title 2023, Korean An Seyoung wins Women's Singles: Shuttler Kunlavut Vitidsarn from Thailand won the India Open Badminton Championship 2023 by defeating Olympic champion Axelsen of Denmark to claim his maiden Super 750 tournament title in the men's singles by 22-20, 10-21 and 21-12. i. In the Women's Singles category, An Seyoung of South Korea won the title by defeating Japanese Akane Yamaguchi by 15-21, 21-16, and 21-12. Republic of Korea's An Se Young became the first player from her country to win the women's singles title. The Championship, officially named 'Yonex-Sunrise India Open 2023' was held at KD Jadhav Indoor Stadium in New Delhi, Delhi from January 17 22, 2023. It was the second tournament of the HSBC BWF World Tour Super 750.

STATE NEWS

1. Delhi CM Launched Realtime Pollution Factors Gathering Mechanism: Delhi's Chief Minister, Arvind Kejriwal launched mechanisms such as a real-time source apportionment 'supersite' and a mobile air quality management van to collect pollution data in real-time to identify factors that are responsible for increasing air pollution at any place in Delhi. Through this initiative, Delhi has become the first city in the country to get a real-time source segmentation of air pollution. The super site facility is located at Sarvodaya Bal Vidyalaya premises near ITO (Income Tax Office).

The project has been initiated by the Delhi Pollution Control Committee (DPCC) in collaboration with IIT(Indian Institute of Technology) Kanpur, IIT Delhi, and TERI (The Energy and Resources Institute). The pollution forecasts from the super site will also help the government in taking policy decisions to combat pollution.

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<u>1.</u>	What is the theme for the 53rd edition of the World Economic Forum (WEF) annual meeting being									
	held in Davos, Switzerland?									
	A. Working Together, Restoring Trust									
	B. Cooperation in a Fragmented World									
	C. The Great Reset									
	D. Globalization 4.0: Shaping a Global Architecture in the Age of the Fourth Industrial Revolution									
	E. Creating a Shared Future in a Fractured World									
<u>2.</u>	ata Boeing Aerospace Limi <mark>ted (TBAL) deli</mark> vered the fi <mark>r</mark> st f <mark>uselage for s</mark> ix AH-64 Apache									
	attack ordered by the Indian Army.									
	A. Missiles B. Helicopters C. Tanks D. Jets E. Submarines									
<u>3.</u>	Which edition of The Global Risks Report 2023 was released by World Economic Forum	dition of The Global Risks Report 2023 was released by World Economic Forum								
	recently?									
	A. 12 th B. 15 th C. 18 th D. 21 st E. 25th									
<u>4.</u>	hich edition of National Disaster Response Force day is celebrated on January 19, 2023 by the									
	National Disaster Response Force (NDRF)? A. 14 th B. 15 th C. 16 th D. 17 th E. 18th									
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<u>).</u>		the Ministry of Defence, the 21st edition of "Varuna" the bilateral naval exercise a and commenced on the western seaboard.								
	A. China B. USA C. Germany D. Italy E. France									
R	Which of the following union minister recently launched Geospatial Hackathon to promote									
<u> </u>	Innovation and Start-Ups in India's Geospatial ecosystem?									
	A. Jitendra Singh B. Anurag Thakur C. Mansukh Mandaviya									
	D. Jitin Prasad E. Ravi Shankar Prasad									
<u>7.</u>	The first of its kind joint Exercise Cyclone-I, being held in the deserts of Rajasthan, is Between									
	dia and									
	A. UAE B. Russia C. Israel D. Egypt E. Japan									
<u>3.</u>	will be the first woman officer to be posted on a foreign assignment at the Border Roads									
	Organisation (BRO)?									
	A. Rani Dixit B. Shiva Chauhan C. Avani Chaturvedi									
	D. Surbhi Jakhmola E. Tamna Malik									
<u>9.</u>	Which of the following bank has become India's first public sector bank to launch credit cards for									
	its fixed deposit customers?									
	A. SBI B. Canara Bank C. Punjab National Bank									
	D. Bank of Baroda E. Central Bank of India									

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<u>10.</u> Rei	nowned Assamese	poet	Nilamani Phu	ıkan passes av	way. In	which year he	honoured 56th			
Jna	inpith award?									
A. 2	2017 B.	2018	3	C. 2019		D. 2020	E. 2021			
<u>11.</u> The	Reserve Bank of I	ndia (RBI) said an	y person looki	ng to a	cquire more th	an stake in a			
bar	bank will need prior approval from the regulator.									
Α. ξ	per cent B.	. 10 p	er cent	C. 15 per cen	t	D. 20 per cent	E. 25 per cent			
<u>12.</u> Wh	o has been crowne	d Mis	s Universe 2	022 at a cerem	ony he	ld in New Orlea	ans, Mexico?			
Α. /	Ashley Carino		B. Andreina N	/lartinez		C. Gabriela Do	s Santos			
D. I	Divita Rai		E. R'Bonney	Gabriel						
<u>13.</u> Wh	3. Who has been crowned Miss Universe 2022 at a ceremony held in New Orleans, Mexico?									
Α. /	Ashley Carino		B. Andreina N	lartinez		C. Gabriela Do	s Santos			
D. I	Divita Rai	(E. R'Bonney	Gabriel		260				
14. In which country, the European Union (EU) has recently (in Jan '23) launched its first mainland										
orb	ital launch complex	ر, ''Sp	aceport Esra	inge,"?		3				
Α. [Denmark B.	Swe	den	C. France		D. Norway	E. Ireland			
<u>15.</u> Naı	me the Indian state	that h	nas recently (in Jan '23) wo	n the "E	Bronze Award"	in the United Nations			
Hu	Human Settlements Programme's (UN-Habitat) "World Habitat Awards 2023" for the Jaga									
Mis	sion, a 5T program	me o	f the state.							
A. \	West Bengal B.	Odis	ha	C. Karnataka		D. Gujarat	E. Maharashtra			
<u>16.</u>	has recently (in .	Jan '2	3) announce	d a target to b	ecome	the "first Gree	n Energy State" by			
the	end of 2025.									
Α. (Gujarat B.	Uttai	rakhand	C. Uttar Prade	esh	D. Jharkhand	E. Himachal Pradesh			
<u>17.</u> Wh	en was the 7th Arm	ed Fo	orces Veterar	ns Day observ	ed acro	ss India?	5			
A. 1	5th January 2023		B. 11th Janua	ary 2023	C. 13th	January 2023	9			
D. 1	16th January 2023	1	E. 14th Janua	ary 2023		40				
<u>18.</u> Nai	ne the Guaranteed	Retu	n Life Insura	nce Plan that	was rec	ently (in Jan'2	3) launched by the			
Life	Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC).									
A.	Jeevan Tarun	B. Jeevan Azad C. Jeevan Lakshya								
D. .	Jeevan Bima	E. Jeevan Umang								
<u>19.</u> Wh	ich company has re	ecent	ly (in Jan '23)	developed In	dia's fir	st 5G-enabled	drone called			
'Sk	Skyhawk'?									
Α. Α	otom Technology		B. IG Drones		C. Sky	lark Dron Tech				
D. /	Amaryllo India		E. Garuda Ae	rospace						
<u>20.</u> In v	vhich city, PM Nare	ndra	Modi has rec	ently (in Jan '2	23) flag	ged off the 'MV	' Ganga Vilas', the			
wo	world's longest river cruise?									
A. \	A. Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh		B. Kolkata, West Bengal C. Rishikesh, Uttarakhand				and			
D. Begusarai, Bihar			E. Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh							

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- 21. What edition is the India-France Naval Exercise "VARUNA 2023," which commenced on the Western Seaboard in January 2023?
 - A. 19th
- B. 17th
- C. 21st
- D. 18th
- E. 20th
- **22.** Which city plans to set up India's first Centre of Excellence (CoE) in Online Gaming in March 2023?
 - A. Gandhinagar, Gujarat
- B. Mumbai, Maharashtra
- C. Shillong, Meghalaya

- D. Guwahati, Assam
- E. Bengaluru, Karnataka
- <u>23.</u>Name the company that has recently (in Jan '23) delivered the 1st fuselage for the Indian Army's contract for six AH-64E Apache Combat helicopters.
 - A. BAE Systems Limited
- B. Lockheed Martin India Private Limited
- C. BrahMos Aerospace Limited
- D. Horizon Aerospace Limited
- E. Tata Boeing Aerospace Limited
- 24. According to the article "State of the Economy" published in "January 2023 bulletin" of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), the 2023 Monetary Policy of RBI is objective to Direct Inflation Towards a target by 2024.
 - A. 2%
- B. 4%
- C. 6%
- D 5%
- E. 3%

ANSWERS

- **1)** B
- E
- 9) C
- 13) E
- 17) E
- 21) C

- 2)
- 10) D
- 14) B

- 18) B
- 22) C

- 3)
- 11) A
- 15) B

- 19) B
- 23) E

- 4) Е
- 16) E 12) E
- 20) A
- 24) B

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