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MONTHLY CURRENT AFFAIRS NOVEMBER – 2023

Most Important One Liner Questions and Answers, November 2023

1. How many digital platforms implemented a minimum wage policy to ensure fair pay for their gig workers?

Ans: 3
2. What was the outcome of the recent arbitration award?

Ans: Tata Motors won the arbitration award and is entitled to recover Rs 765.78 crore with 11% interest from September 2016 until full recovery.
3. What is the total value of the developmental projects that PM Modi will inaugurate and launch in Mehsana district?

Ans: Rs 5,950 crore
4. What is the focus of the Green Initiative?

Ans: Nature, Water & Culture
5. What is the type of research that the Chinese research vessel Shiyun 6 is scheduled to conduct off the Sri Lankan coast?

Ans: Marine scientific research
6. What is the name of the Sri Lankan government agency that is collaborating with the Shiyun 6 on its research mission?

Ans: Both NARA and the University of Ruhuna
7. What is the name of the recently discovered mushroom species in the Western Ghats?

Ans: *Candidomyces albosquamosus*
8. What is the characteristic feature of *Candidomyces albosquamosus*?

Ans: Delicate appearance and honey-yellow cap, Bell-shaped cap with white woolly scale-like structures and Cap diameter ranging from 12 mm to 38.5 mm, and a height of approximately 58 mm
9. In which orbit is the SS AMU SAT project tentatively scheduled to be launched?

Ans: Low Earth Orbit

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10. What is the height of the Statue of Unity?

Ans: 182 meters

11. Where is the Statue of Unity located, in terms of the river and nearby town?

Ans: On Sadhu Bet island, facing Narmada Dam, near Rajpipla

12. What is the name of the river that Indian forces crossed on their way to Dhaka during the Liberation War?

Ans: Meghna River

13. Where is the memorial to the Indian soldiers who sacrificed their lives during the Liberation War of Bangladesh in 1971 being constructed?

Ans: Ashuganj, Bangladesh

14. Which state in India has recently inaugurated a hallmarking center in all its 14 districts?

Ans: Kerala

15. What is the purpose of the Systematic Lump Sum Withdrawal (SLW) facility introduced by PFRDA for NPS subscribers?

Ans: To provide subscribers with phased withdrawal options

16. What is the primary purpose of 'penny drop' verification for NPS fund withdrawals?

Ans: To ensure subscribers receive their funds securely

17. What is the primary objective of the National Medical Register (NMR) in India?

Ans: To assign unique identification numbers to doctors, To replace the Indian Medical Register (IMR), To centralize doctor registration and To eliminate red-tapism in healthcare

18. Which organization has launched the Dark Patterns Buster Hackathon 2023?

Ans: Department of Consumer Affairs (DoCA)

19. What is the Indian Air Force's target regarding the phasing out of Mig-21 Bison squadrons?

Ans: Phased out by 2025

20. Which two leaders inaugurated the Agartala-Akhaura rail link project?

Ans: Narendra Modi and Sheikh Hasina

21. What is the name of the international agreement that India signed with NASA to partner with other nations on space exploration?

Ans: Artemis Accords

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- 22.** What is India's fiscal deficit as a percentage of the full-year target in the first half of the 2023-24 financial year?
Ans: 39.3%
- 23.** What was the government's targeted fiscal deficit as a percentage of GDP for the fiscal year 2023-24?
Ans: 5.9%
- 24.** How does India's current metro network rank globally?
Ans: 3rd largest
- 25.** Which government initiative is associated with the adoption of electric vehicles in India?
Ans: FAME-I
- 26.** What percentage of the annual tax revenue target had been achieved during April-September 2022-23?
Ans: 49.8%
- 27.** What percentage of India's Index of Industrial Production (IIP) is collectively accounted for by the eight key infrastructure sectors discussed in the article?
Ans: 40.27%
- 28.** When will the 54th edition of the International Film Festival of India (IFFI) be held in Goa in 2023?
Ans: November 20 to November 28
- 29.** Who is the renowned filmmaker leading the international jury panel for IFFI 2023?
Ans: Shekhar Kapur
- 30.** Which historical site in Turkey is famous for its unique underground cities and cave dwellings?
Ans: Cappadocia
- 31.** What is the average monthly GST collection for FY 2023-24?
Ans: 1.66 lakh crore
- 32.** What is the total revenue of the Central GST (CGST) and State GST (SGST) after regular settlements in October 2023?
Ans: 72,934 crore and 74,785 crore, respectively
- 33.** Which is NOT a function of the Police Establishment Board (PEB)?

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Ans: Selecting and placing heads of Central Police Organizations with a minimum two-year tenure.

34. Who was elected as the World Health Organization Regional Director for South- East Asia?

Ans: Saima Wazed

35. What is the term duration for the WHO Regional Director for South-East Asia?

Ans: 5 years

36. The submersible that will be used in DOM is called:

Ans: Matsya6000

37. One of the main challenges in deep-ocean exploration is:

Ans: All of the above

38. What is the current status of ₹2,000 banknotes in circulation?

Ans: All of the above.

39. What is a Phygital Ecosystem?

Ans: A unique blend of physical and digital experiences, ensuring accessibility and active engagement.

40. Who is the age group targeted by 'Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat)'?

Ans: 10-19 years

41. What was the average number of road accidents per hour in India in 2022?

Ans: 53

42. What is the future vision for UPI transactions by 2030?

Ans: 2 billion transactions

43. is a benefit of India's focus on renewable energy and environmentally friendly power generation for the semiconductor manufacturing process?

Ans: All of the above

44. What is the new name given to the 'Throne Room' at the Raj Bhavan in Kolkata?

Ans: Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Unity Room

45. The Minuteman III missile system is a/an:

Ans: Land-based ICBM

46. The Minuteman III missile system has a range of approximately:

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Ans: 6,000 miles

47. What is the full form of ENCORE?

Ans: Enabling Communications on Real-time Environment

48. ENCORE is an in-house software developed by the:

Ans: Election Commission of India

49. Which factors contributed to the slowdown in India's manufacturing sector in October 2023?

Ans: All of the above

50. What was the Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) for India's manufacturing sector in October 2023?

Ans: 55.5

51. The India-US 2+2 ministerial dialogue will focus on:

Ans: Defence, nuclear policies, space cooperation, cyber security, visas, and health-related matters

52. How does CBAM determine the tax rates on imported goods?

Ans: Based on the carbon price in the EU Emissions Trading System (ETS)

53. Which sectors are initially covered by CBAM?

Ans: Iron and steel, cement, aluminum, fertilizers, and electric energy production

54. What is the theme of the G20 Standards Dialogue 2023?

Ans: Zero Defect Zero Effect

55. The G20 Standards Dialogue 2023 aims to:

Ans: Align with the G20 vision of 'One Earth, One Family, One Future',
Establish a foundation of standards to make this vision a reality, Have a strong emphasis on sustainability, regulatory excellence, and stakeholder engagement and Shape the standards of tomorrow

56. In 2023, India announced that it will host the WTSA in 2024. What does this mark?

Ans: A significant step towards the advancements of 5G and 6G networks, India's growing importance in the global technology landscape and India's commitment to addressing connectivity challenges

57. Which languages will the Sabarimala microsite be available in?

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Ans: English, Hindi, Kannada and Tamil

58. What is the cost advantage of induction cook stoves over traditional cooking methods?

Ans: 25-30%

59. Which statements is NOT true about the NECP and EEFP initiatives?

Ans: They are not aligned with the Go- electric initiative by the Ministry of Power

60. Which financial institutions was imposed a penalty by the RBI for violating SMS charges regulations?

Ans: Punjab National Bank

61. Which financial institutions was imposed a penalty by the RBI for issuing demand drafts with a value of rupees fifty thousand and above without including the purchaser's name on the face of the drafts?

Ans: Federal Bank

62. What was the main objective of the NITI Aayog workshop on Indo-AU cooperation?

Ans: To discuss the implementation of commitments from the New Delhi Leaders' Declaration (NDLD) in the areas of inclusive growth, sustainable infrastructure, and migration management.

63. Which is NOT a key theme of the NITI Aayog Indo-AU workshop?

Ans: Climate change adaptation

64. What initiative has driven the launch of Costa Cruises' domestic sailings in India?

Ans: "Dekho Apna Desh" initiative

65. Which factors has contributed to the recent growth in cruise tourism in India?

Ans: Waiver of cabotage fees, Development of modern cruise terminals and Introduction of e-visa facilities

66. The India-UAE educational cooperation MoU encompasses which initiatives?

Ans: Exchange of information in education, Capacity development of TVET teaching staff and Facilitation of academic collaboration between higher education institutions

67. What did the Mobility and Migration Partnership Agreement signed between India and Italy aim to facilitate?

Ans: Movement of workers, students, and professionals

68. Which sector was identified as having untapped potential for collaboration between India

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and Italy?

Ans: Agro-tech, Innovation, Space and Defense

69. Which state showed a decline in their SFSI score in 2022-2023 compared to 2019?

Ans: Maharashtra

70. According to the Hydrogen Science Coalition, what is the defined threshold for distinguishing between high-carbon and low-carbon hydrogen?

Ans: 1kg Hydrogen for 1kg Carbon Dioxide equivalent (CO₂e)

71. Which state performed the best in the 'Consumer Empowerment' parameter in the SFSI 2022-2023?

Ans: Tamil Nadu

72. Who was elected as the chairman of the Shree Somnath Trust (SST) for a five-year term in 2023?

Ans: Prime Minister Narendra Modi

73. How many members does the ACABQ have?

Ans: 21

74. What is the primary responsibility of the ACABQ?

Ans: To approve the budget submitted by the Secretary-General to the General Assembly, To provide advice and guidance to the General Assembly on administrative and budgetary matters, To examine and report on the administrative budgets of specialized agencies affiliated with the United Nations and To consider and report to the General Assembly on the auditors' reports concerning the accounts of the United Nations and its specialized agencies.

75. Which international agreement was signed by 28 countries at the AI Safety Summit 2023?

Ans: The Bletchley Declaration

76. What major investment did the UK government announce during the AI Safety Summit 2023?

Ans: £225 million investment in Isambard- AI supercomputer

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81. Who assumed the role of Chief Information Commissioner in the Central Information Commission on November 6, 2023?

Ans: Shri Heeralal Samariya

82. What is the primary objective of HSBC India's introduction of e-bank guarantee services in association with NeSL?

Ans: To reduce transaction cycle times and digitize trade finance.

83. What does NeSL serve as under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016?

Ans: A repository of legal evidence for debt and claims.

84. Which emerging economies experienced an upgrade in its GDP growth forecast by Fitch?

Ans: India

85. Which country experienced the largest downward revision in its growth forecast by Fitch?

Ans: Russia

86. Who are the primary stakeholders promoting IndiaFirst Life Insurance?

Ans: Bank of Baroda and Union Bank of India

87. Which organization granted registration to IndiaFirst Life for operating in GIFT City IFSC?

Ans: International Financial Services Centre Authority (IFSCA)

88. What was CV Raman's groundbreaking achievement that earned him the Nobel Prize in Physics in 1930?

Ans: The discovery of the Raman Effect

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- 90.** Which region accounted for the majority of global intellectual property filings in 2022?
Ans: Asia
- 91.** Which country led the world in trademark registrations in 2022?
Ans: China
- 92.** According to the McKinsey Health Institute survey, which country ranked last in terms of employee well-being?
Ans: Japan
- 93.** What is AGEL's ambitious goal for renewable energy capacity by the year 2030?
Ans: 45 GW
- 94.** Which company has partnered with Sephora to expand its presence in India?
Ans: Reliance Beauty & Personal Care Limited
- 95.** Which regions of India are expected to experience lower cotton production in the 2023-2024 season?
Ans: Central and southern regions
- 96.** What is the National Coal Index (NCI) and how is it used?
Ans: A price index that combines coal prices from various sources to determine premiums and revenue shares
- 97.** What is the target for India's annual coal production for the current fiscal year (April-October)?
Ans: 1 billion tonnes
- 98.** What is the name of the peninsula on which Klyuchevskaya Sopka volcano is located?
Ans: Kamchatka Peninsula



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- 99.** What type of volcano is Klyuchevskaya Sopka?
Ans: Stratovolcano
- 100.** Which UN agency is responsible for coordinating humanitarian assistance in the DRC?
Ans: OCHA
- 101.** Which country is accused of supporting the M23 rebels?
Ans: Rwanda
- 102.** Who is the Director of Institute of Rural Management Anand (IRMA)?
Ans: Umakant Dash
- 103.** When and where is the World Travel Market (WTM) taking place in 2023?
Ans: London, England, from September 6 to 8, 2023
- 104.** What is the theme of India's participation at WTM 2023?
Ans: Incredible India! Visit India Year 2023
- 105.** What is UBS's revised GDP growth forecast for India in FY24?
Ans: 6.3%
- 106.** What is UBS's expectation for India's GDP growth in FY26 and FY27?
Ans: 6.2% and 6.5%
- 107.** Who are the co-founders of PayGlocal?
Ans: Prachi Dharani, Rohit Sukhija, and Yogesh Lokhande
- 108.** What is the focus of PayGlocal's technology platform?
Ans: Secure online payment processing
- 109.** What is S&P Global Ratings' forecast for India's GDP growth in the current fiscal year (2023-24)?
Ans: 6%
- 110.** What is the Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT) agreement?
Ans: A type of contract where the private sector develops and operates a project for a specified period before transferring it back to the government
- 111.** Which dignitary unveiled the equestrian statue of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj in Kupwara, Jammu and Kashmir, near the India-Pakistan border?
Ans: Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde
- 112.** Where was the soil and water used in the statue's construction sourced from?

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Ans: Five different forts across Maharashtra

113. When was Uttarakhand officially formed as the 27th state of the Republic of India?

Ans: November 9, 2000

114. What material is the 7 Ring smart wearable made of, making it both durable and stylish?

Ans: Zirconia Ceramic

115. What is the current early bird offer price of the 7 Ring smart ring, and what is its MRP?

Ans: Early bird offer: Rs 4,777, MRP: Rs 7,000

116. What is the main standout feature of the 7 Ring smart ring?

Ans: Its ability to make contactless payments

117. What is the theme of World Science Day for Peace and Development in 2023?

Ans: Building Trust in Science

118. When is World Science Day for Peace and Development celebrated annually?

Ans: November 10

119. What is the theme of the 'Diwali Utsav' Gramshilpa, Khadi Lounge?

Ans: 'Vocal for Local'

120. When was the CFE Treaty signed?

Ans: 1990

121. When is the winter session of the Indian Parliament scheduled to begin?

Ans: December 4

122. What is the full name of the CFE Treaty?

Ans: Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe

123. Which Indian city recently received the title of 'City of Literature' by UNESCO?

Ans: Kozhikode

124. In which year was the UNESCO Creative Cities Network (UCCN) established?

Ans: 2004

125. Which country has been added to the UK's safe states list, along with India?

Ans: Georgia

126. Under what law is the UK's safe states list legislated?

Ans: Section 80AA

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127. What are the three broad categories of green crackers?

Ans: All of the above

128. What is the Atmospheric Waves Experiment (AWE) and what is its purpose?

Ans: It is an externally mounted instrument that captures 68,000 infrared images daily to study gravity waves at the boundary between Earth's atmosphere and space.

129. What is the name of the world's first humanoid robot CEO?

Ans: Mika

130. What is the name of the new QUAD that India is a part of, along with the US, UAE, and Israel?

Ans: I2U2

131. How much does the government aim to borrow through green bonds in the current financial year?

Ans: Rs 20,000 crore

132. What designation has the RBI given to Sovereign Green Bonds issued in the fiscal year 2023-24 in its recent circular?

Ans: Specified Securities under FAR

133. What are the three core components of Samsung Gauss?

Ans: Samsung Gauss Language, Samsung Gauss Code, Samsung Gauss Image.

134. Who inaugurated 'Mitti Cafe' within the Supreme Court premises, promoting inclusivity for individuals with disabilities?

Ans: Chief Justice of India (CJI) DY Chandrachud

135. When is National Education Day celebrated in India?

Ans: November 11th

136. Which theme is associated with National Education Day in 2023?

Ans: "Embracing Innovation"

137. Who won the ICC player of the Month Award for October 2023 for their outstanding performance in the Cricket World Cup?

Ans: Rachin Ravindra

138. Which country does Hayley Matthews represent in international women's cricket?

Ans: West Indies

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139. Which edition of the Coordinated Patrol (CORPAT) between India Navy and Bangladesh Navy took place recently?

Ans: 5th edition

140. Which new category have been introduced in the Grammy Awards 2024?

Ans: All the above

141. Who has been appointed as the "UPI Safety Ambassador" by the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)?

Ans: Pankaj Tripathi

142. For which category is Falguni Shah nominated at the 2024 Grammy Awards?

Ans: Best Global Music Performance

143. In which capacity did Padmanabha Balakrishnan Acharya serve before his passing on November 11th 2023?

Ans: Governor of Nagaland

144. Which country faced the suspension of its cricket board's membership by the ICC?

Ans: Sri Lanka

145. Recently, which city set a Guinness Record by lighting over 22 lakh 'diyas', emerging as the largest event of lighting lamps together at one location?

Ans: Ayodhya

146. Recently, a Guinness Record was set in the state of Uttar Pradesh by lighting over 22 lakh 'diyas' at one location during which edition of Deepotsav?

Ans: Seventh

147. Which state is set to become the first in India to implement the Uniform Civil Code (UCC)?

Ans: Uttarakhand

148. Which is the first state in the country to formally oppose the UCC, showcasing the diversity of opinions and perspectives on this crucial legal reform?

Ans: Kerala

149. World Kindness Day is observed annually on November 13 to recognize and promote acts of kindness. What is this year's theme for the day?

Ans: Be Kind Wherever Possible

150. Recently, who assumed command of the Eastern Fleet, a significant and prestigious

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position within the Eastern Naval Command, succeeding Rear Admiral Gurcharan Singh?

Ans: Rear Admiral Rajesh Dhankhar

151. The International Cricket Council (ICC) recently announced the induction of three cricketing maestros into the ICC Cricket Hall of Fame. Which of the below-mentioned is not one of them?

Ans: Virender Sehwag

152. Who is hosting the 33rd Conference of the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) Regional Commission for Asia and the Pacific, scheduled from November 13 to 16, 2023?

Ans: India

153. Recently, Falguni Shah, has been nominated for the Best Global Music Performance category at the 2024 Grammy Awards. What is the name of the nominated song?

Ans: Abundance in Millets

154. What is the name of the bilateral exercise held between the Indian Navy and the Bangladesh Navy in the Northern Bay of Bengal from November 07-09, 2023?

Ans: BONGOSAGAR-23

155. What is the projected GDP growth for India in FY24 and FY25, according to Morgan Stanley Research?

Ans: 6.5%

156. What is the expected headline inflation in FY2025, according to Morgan Stanley?

Ans: 4.9%

157. How does the inclusion of Indian bonds in JPMorgan's emerging market debt index impact the country's economy?

Ans: Attracts more foreign inflows, enhancing the balance of payments

158. Why did Goldman Sachs downgrade Hong Kong-listed Chinese stocks?

Ans: High debt levels

159. What does Goldman Sachs anticipate for India's equity market in terms of earnings growth over the next two years?

Ans: Mid-teens growth

160. According to Goldman Sachs, what structural challenges does China face in its equity

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market?

Ans: Housing sector downturn

161. What is the National Coal Index (NCI) and how is it used?

Ans: A price index that combines coal prices from various sources to determine premiums and revenue shares

162. What is the theme of the 42nd India International Trade Fair-2023?

Ans: Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam

163. What is the name of the peninsula on which Klyuchevskaya Sopka volcano is located?

Ans: Kamchatka Peninsula

164. Which states are designated as Partner States for the 42nd edition of the India International Trade Fair?

Ans: Bihar and Kerala

165. What is the 'Sumpoorn' MSME Economic Activity Index?

Ans: A high-frequency index capturing India's MSME sector's economic activity

166. Who collaborated with SIDBI to launch the 'Sumpoorn' MSME Economic Activity Index?

Ans: Jocata

167. Who is the Director of Institute of Rural Management Anand (IRMA)?

Ans: Umakant Dash

168. What is the significance of the India-UK Comprehensive Strategic Partnership launched in 2021?

Ans: Strengthening economic cooperation

169. What is the primary objective of the one percent interest rate rebate announced by the Government for divyang borrowers under NDFDC?

Ans: To encourage responsible repayment practices

170. Where will the 10th ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting-Plus be held?

Ans: Jakarta, Indonesia

171. Why is Indonesia hosting the 10th ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting-Plus?

Ans: Rotating Chair of ADMM-Plus

172. What is the primary motivation behind India's plan to invite bids for critical mineral blocks, including lithium and graphite?

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Ans: To strengthen the green energy transition

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Ans: To absorb surplus liquidity in the banking system

174. What is the basis for calculating the incremental Cash Reserve Ratio (I-CRR) for banks?

Ans: Net demand and time liabilities (NDTL) increase

175. In which region did India discover its first lithium deposits, estimating reserves of 5.9 million tonnes?

Ans: Jammu and Kashmir

176. Who assumed the role of Chief Information Commissioner in the Central Information Commission on November 6, 2023?

Ans: Shri Heeralal Samariya

177. What are the approved royalty rates for lithium, niobium, and rare earth elements (REE) in India?

Ans: Lithium: 3%, Niobium: 3%, REE: 1%

178. With which countries is India actively engaging for tapping into lithium resources and potential investments?

Ans: Chile and Bolivia

179. Which emerging economies experienced an upgrade in its GDP growth forecast by Fitch?

Ans: India

180. Which country experienced the largest downward revision in its growth forecast by Fitch?

Ans: Russia

181. What triggered the state of emergency in Iceland?

Ans: A swarm of earthquakes

182. What geological feature contributes to Iceland's susceptibility to earthquakes and volcanic eruptions?

Ans: Mid-Atlantic Ridge

183. What was CV Raman's groundbreaking achievement that earned him the Nobel Prize in Physics in 1930?

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Ans: The discovery of the Raman Effect

184. What was the WPI-based inflation rate in India for October?

Ans: -0.52%

185. What was the primary focus of the UN's World Meteorological Organization (WMO) Greenhouse Gas Bulletin in 2022?

Ans: Rising greenhouse gas concentrations

186. The Minuteman III missile system has a range of approximately:

Ans: 6,000 miles

187. According to the 2015 Paris Agreement, what is the targeted limit for global warming in degrees Celsius?

Ans: 1.5°C

188. ENCORE is an in-house software developed by the:

Ans: Election Commission of India

189. Which greenhouse gas accounted for approximately 64% of the warming effect on the climate in 2022?

Ans: Carbon dioxide

190. What has been the trend in fuel prices for the past six months?

Ans: Sixth consecutive month of contraction

191. The India-US 2+2 ministerial dialogue will focus on:

Ans: Defence, nuclear policies, space cooperation, cyber security, visas, and health-related matters

192. How does CBAM determine the tax rates on imported goods?

Ans: Based on the weight of the goods

193. What action did the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) take against Bajaj Finance on November 15, 2023?

Ans: Instructed to cease loans under 'eCOM' and 'Insta EMI' products

194. What benefits do customers gain from the Account Aggregator system?

Ans: Digital Sharing of Financial Information

195. What is the primary focus of the India-US MoU signed under the 'Innovation Handshake' framework?

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Ans: Supporting agricultural innovation

196. Which sector does the MoU primarily target for cooperation between Indian and US startups?

Ans: Critical and Emerging Technologies (CET)

197. What is the primary purpose of the FATF team currently in India?

Ans: Evaluating anti-money laundering and counter-terrorist financing measures

198. What is the cost advantage of induction cook stoves over traditional cooking methods?

Ans: 45-50%

199. Why did Prime Minister Narendra Modi visit Birsa College, Khunti, Jharkhand, on 15th November 2023?

Ans: To honor the birth anniversary of tribal freedom fighter Birsa Munda

200. What is the geographical reach of IndusInd Bank's branches and ATMs as of September 30, 2023?

Ans: 2,631 branches and 2,903 ATMs

201. Which institution retained India's economic growth forecast for the current fiscal year at 6.4%?

Ans: Asian Development Bank

202. What were the key drivers of India's exports during the April-October 2023 period?

Ans: Netherlands, UK, and Australia

203. Who is the current Director General of the World Trade Organization (WTO)?

Ans: Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala



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204. What did the World Trade Organization (WTO) forecast for the world merchandise trade volume in 2023?

Ans: 0.8%

205. The New Development Bank (NDB) was established by which group of countries?

Ans: BRICS

206. What does the RBI's 'State of the Economy' report identify as the primary threat to achieving the 4% CPI target?

Ans: Rising food prices

207. What percentage of the CPI basket is attributed to food items, according to the report?

Ans: 40%

208. What is the projected annual GDP growth for India during 2024-2026 according to S&P Global's report?

Ans: 6-7.1%

209. Which ministry oversees the functioning of the Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO)?

Ans: Ministry of Labour and Employment

210. What is the percentage reduction in the Special Additional Excise Duty (SAED) on crude oil imports, as per the recent tax adjustments by the Indian government?

Ans: 35.71%

211. Who has been appointed as one of the directors of Jio Financial Services?

Ans: Isha Ambani

212. What is the maximum speed of the ASW SWC ships launched by the Indian Navy?

Ans: 25 knots

213. Which military forces are participating in Exercise MITRA SHAKTI-2023?

Ans: Indian and Sri Lankan

214. Which is NOT an initiative taken by the Ministry of Cooperation to strengthen Primary Cooperatives (PACS)?

Ans: Formation of new Farmer Producer Organization (FPOs) by PACS, PACS eligible for LPG Distributorship for diversifying its activities, Convergence of PM-KUSUM at PACS level for energy security and Rupay Kisan Credit Card to Members of Milk Cooperatives.

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215. What is the significance of DAKSHIN, inaugurated during the Second Voice of Global South Summit?

Ans: A center for excellence for Global South countries

216. What is the overarching theme of the Second Voice of Global South Summit?

Ans: Together for Everyone's Growth with Everyone's Trust

217. How many sessions were structured in the Second Voice of Global South Summit?

Ans: 10

218. What is the projected growth in India's e-commerce exports according to Santosh Kumar Sarangi?

Ans: \$200 billion

219. What is the total number of patents granted by the Indian patent office in the fiscal year 2023-24 until November 15?

Ans: 41,010

220. According to a World Intellectual Property Organization report, what percentage did patent applications by Indians grow in 2022?

Ans: 31.6%

221. According to the BofA survey, which markets are identified as the most favored in the Asia Pacific region?

Ans: Japan

222. What is India's global ranking in terms of the number of unicorn companies, according to the research study?

Ans: Third

223. United Nations designated November 18 as the ?

Ans: "World Day for the Prevention of and Healing from Child Sexual Exploitation, Abuse, and Violence"

224. What percentage of the global unicorn valuation do India's unicorn companies contribute?

Ans: 5%

225. What recent trend has prompted speculation about interest rate cuts in both the US and the UK?

Ans: Eased inflation

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226. What is the destination of the hijacked cargo ship "Galaxy Leader"?

Ans: Yemen

227. Why does the UK seek a higher level of GI protection in the proposed free trade agreement with India?

Ans: To prevent the misuse of British product names

228. What is the primary purpose of the Incremental Cash Reserve Ratio (I-CRR) introduced by the RBI?

Ans: To absorb surplus liquidity in the banking system

229. What is the basis for calculating the incremental Cash Reserve Ratio (I-CRR) for banks?

Ans: Net demand and time liabilities (NDTL) increase

230. Which organization outlines an elevated level of protection for Geographical Indications (GIs)?

Ans: World Trade Organisation (WTO)

231. What has been the historical role of India in global rice trade over the past decade?

Ans: Major rice exporter, accounting for nearly 40% of total exports

232. What has been the trend in rural retail inflation compared to urban inflation over the past 22 months?

Ans: Rural inflation consistently higher

233. What does NeSL serve as under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016?

Ans: A repository of legal evidence for debt and claims.

234. Which emerging economies experienced an upgrade in its GDP growth forecast by Fitch?

Ans: India

235. What was the rural inflation rate in October 2023?

Ans: 5.12%

236. What revised growth forecast did the International Monetary Fund (IMF) provide for India for the fiscal year 2023-24?

Ans: 6.3%

237. Which city in India leads in the number of women-led startups, according to Traxon data?

Ans: Bengaluru

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238. Who has been elected as the next president of Argentina in the recent election?

Ans: Javier Milei

239. Which statement is NOT true about the NECP and EEFP initiatives?

Ans: They are not aligned with the Go- electric initiative by the Ministry of Power

240. What is the China-Myanmar Economic Corridor (CMEC) and its significance?

Ans: A BRI initiative linking China, Myanmar, and Sri Lanka

241. What was the focus of the recent bilateral meeting between India and Australia's defense ministers?

Ans: Hydrography cooperation

242. What is the primary focus of the 'Skills on Wheels' initiative by the Indian government?

Ans: Digital skill training for rural youth

243. Which organization has launched the Dark Patterns Buster Hackathon 2023?

Ans: Department of Consumer Affairs (DoCA)

244. Which financial skills are covered in the second phase of the training under the 'Skills on Wheels' initiative?

Ans: Information and access to loans, credit, insurance, CIBIL, and EMIs

245. What is the name of India's human spaceflight project that aims to launch three crew members into orbit for three days in 2025?

Ans: Gaganyaan

246. What is the name of the international agreement that India signed with NASA to partner with other nations on space exploration?

Ans: Artemis Accords

247. During the Covid-19 pandemic, how many EPFO subscribers availed themselves of the non-refundable withdrawal option?

Ans: Over 22 million

248. What was the theme of the 16th Urban Mobility India Conference & Exhibition 2023?

Ans: "Integrated and Resilient Urban Transport"

249. Who chairs the central board of trustees of the EPFO?

Ans: Labor Minister

250. Which government initiative is associated with the adoption of electric vehicles in India?

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Ans: FAME-I

251. What is the projected growth rate of India's economy for the fiscal year 2024-25, according to Goldman Sachs?

Ans: 6.5%

252. What is Goldman Sachs' projection for gross fixed investment growth in 2024-25?

Ans: 7.5%

253. What is the primary purpose of the information platform developed by CREST and YNOS?

Ans: To centralize information on incubators and accelerators

254. How many active incubators does India currently have?

Ans: Around 1,000

255. In September, FDI investments in India experienced a:

Ans: Slight increase

256. Which country emerged as the top investor with \$5.22 billion FDI during April- September in India?

Ans: Singapore

257. What was the Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) for India's services sector in September 2023?

Ans: 61

258. What percentage of Gross Value Added (GVA) does the services sector hold in India?

Ans: 54%

259. What is the global ranking of Delhi's Khan Market in terms of retail rents according to Cushman & Wakefield's report?

Ans: 22nd

260. What are the top three most expensive main streets in India, according to Cushman & Wakefield?

Ans: Khan Market, Connaught Place, Linking Road

261. What is the allocated budget for the development of 25 inland waterways projects in the Northeast?

Ans: Rs 1,100 crore

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262. Which country recently announced the successful testing of the Burevestnik nuclear-powered missile?

Ans: Russia

263. What was the net value of government bonds purchased by Indian private sector banks in the recent single-session acquisition?

Ans: 83.43 billion rupees

264. Why did the government cancel the bid process for IDBI Bank's asset valuer?

Ans: Lack of interest from bidders

265. What percentage of stake will the government and LIC collectively hold in IDBI Bank post the strategic sale?

Ans: 34%

266. Who has been honored with the prestigious 'Bal Sahitya Puraskar' for the year 2023 by the Sahitya Akademi?

Ans: Dilip Nongmaithem

267. What distinguishes tantalum's pure form in terms of its physical properties?

Ans: Ductility

268. What is the significant achievement of the Indian Institute of Spices Research (IISR) in Kozhikode in the field of agriculture?

Ans: Achievement of a high-yielding black pepper variety named 'IISR Chandra'

269. What field did Katalin Kariko and Drew Weissman receive the Nobel Prize for in 2023?

Ans: Medicine

270. What was the total investment pledged during the 7th Bengal Global Business Summit (BGBS) in 2023?

Ans: Rs 3.76 trillion

271. What trend does the EPFO data reveal about new subscribers in the first half of FY24?

Ans: 10.1% decrease in new subscribers

272. What is the targeted per-capita income range in 'Vision India@2047'?

Ans: \$18,000-\$20,000

273. What is the primary objective of 'Vision India@2047'?

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Ans: To prevent India from falling into the middle-income trap and become a developed nation by 2047.

274. Which strait separates the European and Asian parts of Turkey?

Ans: Bosphorus Strait

275. What was the revenue growth of Odisha's mining sector from 2016-17 to 2021-22?

Ans: 10-fold

276. Which regulatory body ensures the protection of deposits in RRBs?

Ans: DICGC

277. How much additional capital is estimated to be set aside for consumer loans, as per the recent RBI directive?

Ans: ₹84,000 crore

278. Which countries are part of the Nordic Baltic Eight (NB8)?

Ans: Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, and Sweden

279. Who facilitated the negotiations between Israel and Hamas?

Ans: Qatar

280. Who officially launched the Investor Risk Reduction Access (IRRA) platform at the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE)?

Ans: Madhabi Puri Buch

281. The FATF's Grey List consists of jurisdictions that do not meet the organization's which standards?

Ans: Anti-money laundering (AML), Counter-terrorism financing (CFT) and Proliferation financing

282. For which type of trading members is the IRRA platform specifically tailored?

Ans: Trading members supporting IBT and STWT

283. What recent achievement has Kerala's Responsible Tourism (RT) Mission secured?

Ans: Spot on the UNWTO's list of Case Studies

284. When was Kerala's Responsible Tourism (RT) Mission officially launched?

Ans: October 20, 2017

285. What is the average GDP growth rate expected by CRISIL for India between FY24 and FY31?

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Ans: 6.7%

286. What is the primary focus of Geert Wilders' political agenda following his victory in the Dutch elections?

Ans: Immigration and asylum policies

287. What is the primary focus of research in evolutionary bio-demography?

Ans: Unraveling altruistic social behavior

288. In which regions are populations ageing at the fastest rate globally?

Ans: Europe and East Asia

289. What does the term "demographic dividend" refer to?

Ans: Demographic dividend occurs when the proportion of working people in the total population is high because this indicates that more people have the potential to be productive and contribute to growth of the economy.

290. How many touch-points have been deployed under the PIDF scheme as of August 2023?

Ans: 2.66 crore

291. What is the name of the international agreement that India signed with NASA to partner with other nations on space exploration?

Ans: Artemis Accords

292. Which government agency has approved the merger of IDFC and IDFC First Bank?

Ans: Competition Commission of India (CCI)

293. What was India's Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) in 2022?

Ans: 6.19 million

294. What recent beneficiaries have been included in the extended PIDF scheme?

Ans: PM Vishwakarma scheme

295. What is the primary focus of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between HQ IDS and CSIR?

Ans: Defence technology advancement

296. What was the month-on-month change in India's crude oil imports in October?

Ans: Increased by 5.9%

297. What is the primary objective of the strategic partnership between Blue Dart Express and India Post?

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Ans: Introducing automated Digital Parcel Lockers

298. In which category was Arati Kumar-Rao recognized in the BBC 100 Women 2023 list?

Ans: Climate Pioneers

299. What is Jetsunma Tenzin Palmo recognized for in the BBC 100 Women 2023 list?

Ans: Founding the Dongyu Gatsal Ling Nunnery

300. What primarily contributed to the Indian rupee closing at a new low of 83.38 against the US dollar?

Ans: Increased demand from oil companies

301. What is the primary purpose of 'penny drop' verification for NPS fund withdrawals?

Ans: To ensure subscribers receive their funds securely

302. Despite challenges, how much did the Indian rupee depreciate in 2023, showcasing relative resilience compared to 2022?

Ans: 0.8%

303. What was the role of the Reserve Bank of India in stabilizing the rupee, and what is the significance of India's foreign exchange reserves?

Ans: Intervening to stabilize the rupee

304. Why did the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) supersede the board of Abhyudaya Cooperative Bank for 12 months?

Ans: Poor governance standards

305. Who has been appointed as the Administrator to manage Abhyudaya Cooperative Bank during the regulatory intervention?

Ans: Satya Prakash Pathak

306. What recent decision did the board of directors at Bandhan Bank make regarding its leadership?

Ans: Reappointed Chandra Shekhar Ghosh as MD&CEO for three years

307. What is India's fiscal deficit as a percentage of the full-year target in the first half of the 2023-24 financial year?

Ans: 39.3%

308. What was the government's targeted fiscal deficit as a percentage of GDP for the fiscal year 2023-24?

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Ans: 5.9%

309. What were the key financial highlights in terms of non-performing assets (NPAs) for Bandhan Bank during the reporting quarter?

Ans: 14.8% YoY increase in gross NPAs

310. What is the main purpose of the \$170 million loan from the Asian Development Bank for Kochi's water modernization project?

Ans: Enhance urban living standards, ensure clean water access, and bolster climate resilience

311. What percentage of the annual tax revenue target had been achieved during April-September 2022-23?

Ans: 49.8%

312. What percentage of India's Index of Industrial Production (IIP) is collectively accounted for by the eight key infrastructure sectors discussed in the article?

Ans: 40.27%

313. According to recent reports, what percentage of MSMEs in India have access to credit?

Ans: 14%

314. What is the primary outcome of Svatantra Microfin's acquisition of Chaitanya India Fin Credit?

Ans: Svatantra Microfin becomes the second-largest microfinance company in India.

315. What is the total investment approved for the 12 key projects by Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik?

Ans: Rs 84,918.75 crore



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316. What is the expected headline inflation in FY2025, according to Morgan Stanley?

Ans: 4.9%

317. How does the inclusion of Indian bonds in JPMorgan's emerging market debt index impact the country's economy?

Ans: Attracts more foreign inflows, enhancing the balance of payments

318. Where is the location of one of the newly approved industrial estates in Jammu and Kashmir?

Ans: Budhi in Kathua district

319. What does Goldman Sachs anticipate for India's equity market in terms of earnings growth over the next two years?

Ans: Mid-teens growth

320. Q320. What significant change in visa policies has Malaysia announced starting from December 1, 2023?

Ans: 30-day visa-free travel for Indian citizens

321. Who is the newly appointed captain for Gujarat Titans in IPL 2024?

Ans: Shubman Gill

322. What recognition did the first floating CNG Mother station at Namo Ghat receive?

Ans: Midstream Project of the Year - India

323. When will the mandatory blending of compressed biogas with natural gas commence, according to the government's announcement?

Ans: April 2025

324. Which states are designated as Partner States for the 42nd edition of the India International Trade Fair?

Ans: Bihar and Kerala

325. Which five countries account for a significant portion of India's exports and imports from ASEAN?

Ans: Indonesia, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, and Vietnam.

326. Who collaborated with SIDBI to launch the 'Sumpoorn' MSME Economic Activity Index?

Ans: Jocata

327. Who is the Director of Institute of Rural Management Anand (IRMA)?

Ans: Umakant Dash

328. How many career victories did Max Verstappen secure in the Abu Dhabi Grand Prix,

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extending his record for the season?

Ans: 19

329. Who won the 2023 Booker Prize for his fifth novel, 'Prophet Song'?

Ans: Paul Lynch

330. What is the average GDP growth rate expected by CRISIL for India between FY24 and FY31?

Ans: 6.7%

331. What is the primary purpose of the Payments Infrastructure Development Fund (PIDF) scheme extension by the RBI?

Ans: To promote digital transactions at the grassroots level

332. Who has been appointed as the Additional Independent Director of HDFC Bank for a three-year term starting January 25, 2024?

Ans: Harsh Kumar Bhanwala

333. What is the primary impact of SEBI's decision to reduce the minimum issue size for NPOs on the social stock exchange?

Ans: Facilitating increased fundraising for NPOs

334. How does SEBI plan to regulate online platforms offering fractional ownership of real estate assets?

Ans: Bringing them under the framework for small and medium REITs

335. What is the name of India's human spaceflight project that aims to launch three crew members into orbit for three days in 2025?

Ans: Gaganyaan

336. What was the year-on-year growth of India's engineering exports in October?

Ans: 7.2%

337. What is S&P Global Ratings' revised GDP growth projection for India in FY24?

Ans: 6.4%

338. What is S&P Global Ratings' outlook on China's growth in 2024?

Ans: Moderate growth in line with potential

339. In which city was the Davis Cup final held in 2023?

Ans: Malaga

340. What percentage stake did IDFC hold in IDFC First Bank as of June 30, 2023?

Ans: 30.93%

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341. Which country holds the record for the most Davis Cup titles in history?

Ans: United States

342. What is the name of the live-attenuated MR vaccine launched in Udthagamandalam (Ooty), Tamil Nadu, as part of the 25th- anniversary celebrations of the Human Biologicals Institute?

Ans: Mabella

343. What is the name of IndiGo's AI-powered chat assistant?

Ans: 6Eskai

344. What was the name of Air India's AI- powered chat assistant introduced on November 10?

Ans: Maharaja

345. What is S&P Global Ratings' projection for India's GDP growth by 2026 compared to China?

Ans: 7.0%

346. What is S&P's projection for India's GDP growth in the current fiscal year?

Ans: 6.4%

347. The Mitrashakti 2023 joint military exercise was a cooperative effort between which two armies?

Ans: Indian Army and Sri Lankan Army

348. What is the underlying theme of the Mitrashakti 2023 joint military exercise?

Ans: Indian Army and Sri Lankan Army

349. What did Tata AutoComp Systems recently sell in Pune?

Ans: Land parcel and structure

350. How much has TEC invested in Dubai and Abu Dhabi?

Ans: 200 crore

351. Where is TEC's Abu Dhabi center located?

Ans: Al Maryah Tower in ADGM

352. What is the projected percentage increase in capital expenditure for India's 18 largest states in FY24, as per the Crisil report?

Ans: 18-20%

353. According to the Crisil report, which sector is expected to be among the fastest-growing in FY24?

Ans: Water Supply and Sanitation

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354. Which products are identified as key drivers for the growth of India's MMF textile exports?

Ans: Curtains, drapes, and interior blinds

355. What percentage of Indian business leaders are actively seeking talent with expertise in green and sustainability technologies?

Ans: 82%

356. What is the primary source of sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) used in Virgin Atlantic's recent milestone flight?

Ans: Used Cooking Oil and Waste Animal Fat

357. What percentage of global jet fuel usage does SAF currently represent?

Ans: 0.1%

358. What recent approval has Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath given, and where will the groundbreaking initiative be established?

Ans: Approval for a Telecom Center of Excellence in Saharanpur

359. What recognition has the Vijayawada Railway Station recently received from the Indian Green Building Council (IGBC)?

Ans: Platinum rating

360. Which organization organizes the Global Teacher Prize annually?

Ans: Varkey Foundation



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