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Q. Which nation will be hosting ICC Women’s World Cup 2022?
A) Australia  
B) England  
C) South Africa  
D) New Zealand
Answer: D

Q. Which state is celebrating the festival of cattle ‘Kanuma’?
A) Haryana  
B) Gujarat  
C) Maharashtra  
D) Telangana
Answer: D

- Telangana celebrates festival of cattle ‘Kanuma’ on third day of Sankranti festival

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Q. India’s first Fire Park has been inaugurated in which state?

A) Uttarakhand  
B) Assam  
C) Bihar  
D) Odisha  

Answer: D

**PARK IN NEWS 2020**

- Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik inaugurates India’s first ‘Fire Park’ in Bhubaneswar
- India’s First Pollinator Park Opened In Uttarakhand
- Mega leather park with Rs 5,850 cr investment to come up in Kanpur
- Nehru Zoological Park, Hyderabad has also become the first zoo in the country to get this certificate
- India’s first ‘tyre park’ to come up in West Bengal
- India’s first multi-modal logistic park in Assam
- India’s 1st ever organic spices seed park set up Gujarat
- Odisha govt has decided to set up bulk drug park
- Missile park “Agneeprastha” to be set up at INS Kalinga
- Uttarakhand forest department develops India’s 1st lichen park
- Uttarakhand opens its biggest biodiversity park in Haldwani
- NTPC to build India’s biggest solar park in Gujarat
- India’s first space tech park to come up in Kerala
Jim Corbett National park has set up India’s first quarantine facility for animals

Union Minister Narendra Singh Tomar inaugurates Phagwara Mega Food Park in Punjab

World Bank sanctions Rs 3 crore to set up India’s first Sand Dune Park in Goa

Q. Which company is the world’s most valuable company according to the 2020 Hurun Global 500 list?

A) Amazon  
B) Apple  
C) Microsoft  
D) Tesla

Answer : B

Hurun Global 500 list for 2020

Top : Apple ($2.1 trillion)  
2nd : MicroSoft ($1.6 trillion)  
3rd : Amazon ($1.2 trillion)  
54th : RIL ($169 billion)  
73rd : TCS ($139 billion)  
105th : HDFC ($107.5 billion)

APPLE IN NEWS

- Apple’s first ‘floating’ store to be launched in Singapore  
- Apple Becomes First U.S. Company to reach $2 Trillion Market Cap=  
- Apple dethrones Saudi Aramco to become world’s most valuable company  
- Reliance Industries ranks second biggest brand globally; Apple tops: FutureBrand Index 2020

About APPLE

✓ Founded : April 1, 1976
Founders: Steve Jobs, Steve Wozniak, Ronald Wayne
Headquarters: Park Way
Cupertino, California, U.S.
Chairman: Arthur D. Levinson
CEO: Tim Cook
COO: Jeff Williams

MOST IMPORTANT BRAND RANKING IN NEWS

- 100 BFSI Firms in India
- Report By: Wizikey
- Top: HDFC Bank
- 2nd: ICICI Bank
- 3rd: State Bank of India SBI

Fortune India 500 Ranking 2020
1st: Reliance Industries
2nd: Indian Oil Corporation
3rd: Oil and Natural Gas Corporation

World’s Best Employer 2020
- Published by: Forbes
- Top: Samsung
- 2nd: Amazon
- 3rd: IBM
Tops among Indian list: HCL Technologies 30th position)

BrandZ Top 75 Most Valuable Indian
- Brands 2020 Rankings
- Top: HDFC Bank
- 2nd: LIC
- 3rd: TCS
Rabobank’s Global Top 20 Dairy Companies list

- Top : Nestle, Switzerland
- 1st Indian dairy company : Amul 16 Position

Future Brand Index 2020

- Top : Apple
- 2nd : Reliance Industries
- 3rd : Sumsang

Q. How many Indian companies have found place among Hurun Global 500 list for 2020?

A) 10
B) 11
C) 15
D) 20

Answer : B

Q. Which was the inaugural film of Kolkata International Film Festival 2021?

A) Apsur Sansar
B) Gully Boy
C) Natkhat
D) Jallikattu

Answer : A

✓ Mamata Banerjee Chief Minister of West Bengal inaugurated the 7 day 26th edition of the Kolkata International Film Festival (KIFF) 2021 (From 8th to 15th January 2021).
✓ Bollywood actor Shah Rukh Khan, the brand ambassador of West Bengal virtually attended the inaugural ceremony from Mumbai.
✓ “Apur Sansar” by Satyajit Ray was screened as the inaugural film

FILM FESTIVAL AWARD IN NEWS
6th India International Science Festival to be held in New Delhi
51st International Film Festival of India (IFFI) will be held in Goa
5th Science Film festival starts in Goa
Indian Film ‘The Disciple’ Director by Chaitanya Tamhane wins Best Screenplay award at 77th Venice Film Festival 2020
Priyanka Chopra & Anurag Kashyap named among ambassadors at 45th edition Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF) 2020
**Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival Awards 2020**
✓ Best Film : Super 30
✓ Best Actor : Hrithik Roshan ( Super 30 Director By Vikas Bahl )
Om Puri awarded Lifetime Achievement Award posthumously at India International Film Festival of Boston (IIFFB 2020)
Vikas Khanna, recipient of the “Pride of India Award”
Malayalam film “Kaanthi” bagged the Best Feature Film Award
Tripura to host 10th National Science Film Festival of India in 2020
Third Edition of Chitra Bharati Film Festival organised in Ahmedabad
Indian Film Gully Boy Wins Best Original Score At 14th Asian Film Awards
Gully Boy has been directed by Zoya Akhtar
Vidya Balan’s short film ‘Natkat’ becomes eligible for Oscar nomination The film has been directed by Shaan Vyas
‘Karkhanisanchi Waari’ only Indian entry at 33rd Tokyo International Film Festival The movie was directed by Mangesh Joshi

**Q.Name the India’s first ever indigenously developed 9mm Machine Pistol, by the DRDO and Indian Army?**
A) Brügger  
B) Heckler  
C) SIG MPX  
D) Asmi

**Answer : D**
DRDO and Indian Army have jointly developed India’s first indigenous 9mm Machine Pistol, which has been named as “Asmi”, which means “Pride”, “Self-Respect” & “Hard Work”

The weapon has been designed and developed by Infantry School, Mhow and DRDO’s Armament Research & Development Establishment (ARDE), Pune

DRDO IN NEWS

- DRDO Celebrates 63rd Foundation Day on 1st January 2021
- Indian Navy & DRDO conduct maiden trial of first indigenous air-dropped container ‘SAHAYAK-NG’
- Hemant Kumar Pandey Honored With DRDO’s "Scientist Of The Year" Award
- DRDO develops disinfection unit “Ultra Swachh” to disinfect a wide range of materials including electronic items, fabrics
- DRDO successfully test fires high-speed expendable aerial target (HEAT)- ABHYAS
- DRDO successfully test-fires anti-radiation missile “Rudram” (Range 250 kilometres)
- Defence minister Rajnath Singh hands over 3 DRDO high-tech systems to chiefs of 3 armed forces
- DRDO Developing new 200-km strike range Pranash ballistic missile
- DRDO develops UV disinfectant tower
- DRDO has successfully test-fired the indigenously-developed Laser-Guided Anti Tank Guided Missile (ATGM) from the Main Battle Tank (MBT) Arjun.
- DRDO successfully flight tests “Supersonic Missile Assisted Release of Torpedo” (SMART) from Wheeler Island off the coast of Odisha

Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)

- Formed: 1958
- Headquarters: New Delhi
- Motto: "Strength's Origin is in Knowledge"
- Chairman: G. Satheesh Reddy
- DRDO is India's largest and most diverse research organisation

Q. The India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) has partnered with which digital payments company to promote financial inclusion among underserved and unbanked segments of the country?

A) Oracle FLEXCUBE Core Banking
B) Financial Software and Systems  
C) SAP Banking and Financial Services  
D) Wipro Core Banking As-a-Service  

Answer : B  

- *India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) has partnered with Financial Software and Systems (FSS), to promote financial inclusion among underserved and unbanked segments*  
- *FSS is a leading banking and digital payment processor and provider of integrated payment products.*  

**IPPB IN NEWS**  

- *FSS and IPPB join hands to promote financial inclusion*  
- *India Post Payments Bank unveils new digital payment app ‘DakPay’*  
- *IPPB launches PM Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana*  
- *J Venkatramu appointed MD and CEO of India Post Payments Bank*  

**India Post Payments Bank (IPPB)**  

- *Founded : 1 September 2018*  
- *Headquarters : New Delhi*  
- *MD & CEO : J Venkatramu*  

- ✓ *On 19 August 2015, the India Post received licence to run a payments bank from RBI*  
- ✓ *On 17 August 2016, it was registered as a public limited government company for setting up a payments bank*  
- ✓ *The pilot project of IPPB was inaugurated on 30 January 2017 at Raipur and Ranchi*  

Q. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh has unveiled the India’s first ‘Driverless Metro Car’ for which city?  

A) Mumbai  
B) New Delhi
C) Ahmedabad

D) Hyderabad

**Answer : A**

✓ Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh launches India’s First Indigenously Designed & Developed Driverless Metro Car

✓ The indigenously designed & developed state-of-the-art Driverless Metro trains are being manufactured at BEML Bangaluru manufacturing facility, for Mumbai Metropolitan Region Development Authority (MMRDA)

**Q.** The Government of India has partnered with which country for cooperation in the field of Information and Communications Technologies (ICT)?

A) France

B) Germany

C) Australia

D) Japan

**Answer : D**

✓ India and Japan inks MoU to Enhance Cooperation in the Field of Information and Communications Technologies (ICT)

✓ The MoU was signed between Union Minister for Communications, Electronics and IT Ravi Shankar Prasad and the Japanese Minister for Internal Affairs and Communications Takeda Ryota

**JAPAN IN NEWS**

- India Ranks 85th in Henley Passport Index 2021; Japan Tops
- Japan to launch the first wood-based satellite by 2023
- Japan targeted to achieve zero carbon emissions by 2050
- Yoshihide Suga to succeed Shinzo Abe as Japan’s PM
- Quad Countries’ Foreign Minister Meet held in Tokyo
- Japan’s Naomi Osaka wins 2020 US Open Tennis Tournament
• Naomi Osaka becomes world’s highest-paid female athlete
• Japan commits ODA of Rs 3500 crore to fight COVID-19 in India
• Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 rescheduled to year 2021
• India & Japan signs MoU on Reciprocal Provision of Supplies & Services
• Japan’s longest-serving PM Shinzo Abe resigns
• Canada withdraws from Tokyo 2020 Olympics
• India and Japan conduct PASSEX naval exercise in Indian Ocean Region

• Japan launches new unit for defense in outer space named Space Operations Squadron
• PNB Housing Finance ties-up with Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) to raise $75 million
• Thangjam Dhabali Singh conferred ‘Order of Rising Sun’ by Japan
• GOI approves MoU between India, Japan for cooperation in technical textile
• Japan to join ‘Five Eyes’ to check China’s clampdown on Uyghurs

About JAPAN
✓ Capital : Tokyo
✓ Currency : Yen
✓ Emperor : Naruhito
✓ Prime Minister : Yoshihide Suga

Q. The inaugural two-day ‘Prarambh’, Startup India International Summit has been organised in which city?
A) Nagpur
B) Hyderabad
C) Bengaluru
D) New Delhi

Answer : D
Union Minister of Railways, Commerce and Industry, Consumer Affairs and Food and Public Distribution Shri Piyush Goyal inaugurated the two day ‘Prarambh’, Startup India International Summit

The Summit has been organized by Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), under M/o Commerce & Industry

The inaugural event was participated by the members of BIMSTEC countries

The Summit marks the fifth anniversary of the Startup India initiative, launched by the Prime Minister on 16 January, 2016.

The ‘Prarambh’ Summit will provide a platform to the startups and young minds from around the world to come together and collaborate to work collectively to come with new ideas, innovation and invention

About Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC)

Establishment: 6 June 1997
Headquarters : Dhaka, Bangladesh
Membership : 7 (Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Myanmar, Nepal, Sri Lanka & Thailand)
Chairmanship : Sri Lanka
Secretary General : Tenzin lekhpel (Bhutan)

Q. What is the total outlay for the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana 3.0, launched by the Government for 2020-21?

A) Rs 948.90 crore
B) Rs 579.45 crore
C) Rs 936.56 crore
D) Rs 811.56 crore

Answer : A

Centre launches Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana 3.0 in 600 districts (except four states including Himachal Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and West Bengal) TOTAL OUTLAY OF Rs 948.90 CRORE
Government of India launched the third phase of Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana on 15 January 2021 Implemented by the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship

Further, a five-year PMKVY will be launched in 2021-22 with an enhanced target of skilling 1.5 crore youth

“Skill India Mission” launched by the Hon’ble Prime Minister, Shri. Narendra Modi on 15th of July 2015 has gained tremendous momentum through launch of its flagship scheme PMKVY to unlock the vision of making India the ‘Skill Capital’ of the world

Q. Who has been appointed as the new CEO of Intel?

A) Pat Gelsinger
B) Daniel Zhang
C) Kasper Rorsted
D) Michel Combes

Answer: A

LATEST CEO IN NEWS

- Intel has appointed Pat Gelsinger as its new Chief Executive Officer
- Suneet Sharma takes over as new Chairman & CEO of Railway Board
- Anil Soni appointed first CEO of The WHO Foundation
- Sandeep Kataria becomes first Indian to be appointed as global CEO of Bata
- Akshay Kumar Singh appointed as new MD & CEO of Petronet LNG
- HDFC Bank MD & CEO Aditya Puri Retires, Sashidhar Jagdishan Succeeds
- Union Bank of India MD & CEO Rajkiran Rai elected as IBA Chairman
- J Venkatramu appointed as MD & CEO of India Post Payments Bank for 3 years

About INTEL

- Founded: 1968
- Founders: Gordon Moore & Robert Noyce
- Headquarters: Santa Clara, California, U.S.

Q. Which state celebrated Thiruvalluvar Day in the honour of the poet Thiruvalluvar?

A) Karnataka
B) Maharashtra
C) Tamil Nadu
D) Assam

Answer : C

✓ Tamil Nadu celebrates Thiruvalluvar Day in honour of poet Thiruvalluvar

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Q. Which state government launched ‘Rin Samadhan Yojna’ for farmers?

A) Karnataka
B) Maharashtra
C) Punjab
D) Madhya Pradesh

Answer : B
State Bank of India has provided a major relief to farmers under its loan settlement schemes. Many farmers in Maharashtra are benefiting from this Rin Samadhan Yojna.

MAHARASHTRA IN NEWS

- Journalist Day is observed by Maharashtra state government on 6th January
- Maharashtra becomes first state in India to get dedicated action plan to protect pangolins
- Maharashtra Government Introduces Unified Development Control Rules for Real Estate
- Maharashtra’s new bill on sexual crimes under ‘Shakti act’ to have death penalty
- Maharashtra Govt signs MoU with Cornell University to train entrepreneurs
- Maharashtra CM announces, Rs 25 crore to be provided for development of Dajipur Sanctuary in 1st phase
- Maharashtra govt all set to launch 'MahaSharad' platform
- Maharashtra declares Kanhargao wildlife sanctuary its 50th Wildlife Sanctuary
- Maharashtra’s Ranjitsinh Disale becomes first Indian to win 2020 Global Teacher Prize
- Maharashtra Cyber becomes India’s first agency to acquire ‘Crawler’ from the Interpol; will aid in police’s crackdown against offenders of child pornography
- Maharashtra’s first ‘child-friendly police station’ has been inaugurated in pune
- Lonar Lake in Maharashtra selected under ‘Ramsar site’
- RBI cancels licence of Maharashtra-based Karad Janata Sahakari Bank
- Asia’s first solar power-enabled Textile Mill to be unveiled in Parbhani district of Maharashtra
- Maharashtra Governor, Bhagat Singh Koshyari has released the book ‘Majhi Bhint’ (My Wall) authored by Rajendra Darda
- Usha Mangeshkar Honored with Gan Samragni Lata Mangeshkar award for 2020-21 by Maharashtra Govt
- Maharashtra launches largest plasma therapy trial “Project Platina”
- ADB and India inks USD 177 million loan for Maharashtra
- Maharashtra Govt launches ‘My Family, My Responsibility’ campaign
- Maharashtra partners with Google to deploy learning tools for online education
- Bharat Air Fibre Services inaugurated in Maharashtra
- Maharashtra government launches “Maha” Job portal
- Maharashtra Govt introduced “Maha Parwana” plan to boost investment
Flood warning system “iFLOWS” launched in Mumbai Maharashtra

Q. A meeting of the India-Oman Strategic Consultative Group, IOSCG was held in which city?
A) Muscat
B) New Delhi
C) Mumbai
D) Hyderabad
Answer: B
- A meeting of the India-Oman Strategic Consultative Group, IOSCG was held in New Delhi
- India assured assistance to Oman in its requirement for COVID-19 vaccines.

About OMAN
- Capital: Muscat
- Currency: Rial
- Sultan: Haitham bin Tariq Al Said

Q. Indian Ship MV Jag Anand is likely to reach Japan on 18th January for crew change. MV Jag Anand was stranded at Jingtang port in ______ since June last year
A) China
B) Indonesia
C) Vietnam
D) Russia
Answer: A
- MV Jag Anand, the Indian ship which was stranded at Chinese port of Jingtang is likely to reach Japan on 18th January for crew change.
- The ship with 23 Indian crew members onboard was stuck at Chinese port of Jingtang since June last year
CHINA IN NEWS 2020

- China becomes second country after the US to unfurl its flag on Moon
- Mount Everest declared 86 cm (0.86 M) taller by Nepal and China
- China launches ‘world’s first 6G experiment satellite’
- China to send first-ever ‘asteroid mining robot’ into space
- 2nd World Health Expo kicks off in Wuhan
- Govt of India bans 59 Chinese apps
- China launches new rocket “Long March 5B” successfully
- China launches its 1st independent mission to Mars
- China successfully launches 13 satellites into orbit with a single rocket, including 10 from Argentina

About CHINA

- Capital : Being
- Currency : Renminbi (yuan)
- President : Xi Jinping
- India-China 'Hand-in-Hand' exercise
- Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) : Headquarters : Beijing China
- New Development Bank (NDB) : Headquarters : Shanghai, China
- Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) : Headquarters : Beijing, China

Q. According to a recent announcement, India plans to achieve 20% ethanol-blending with gasoline by which year?
A) 2030
B) 2025
C) 2035
D) 2040

Answer : B

- India plans to achieve 20% ethanol-blending with gasoline by 2025, five years ahead of its previous target, to help reduce its dependence on costly oil imports.
In 2020, the government had set a target of reaching 10% ethanol-blending by 2022 – meaning 10% of ethanol mixed with 90% of gasoline – and 20% by 2030.

India relies on foreign suppliers to meet more than 80% of its demand.

Q.B. S. Gnanadesikan passed away. He was a/an _____.

A) Cricketer
B) Singer
C) Journalist
D) Politician

Answer : C

✓ Former MP B. S. Gnanadesikan passes away due to prolonged illness in Chennai

Q. Recently, a powerful earthquake hit Sulawesi island. Sulawesi island is a part of which country?

A) Japan
B) Phillipines
C) Singapore
D) Indonesia

Answer : D

✓ In Indonesia a powerful earthquake has rocked Sulawesi island, killing at least 42 people, with more feared dead as rescuers search for survivors.

INDONESIA IN NEWS

✓ Indonesia will host the FIBA Asia Cup 2021
✓ Indonesia will host the Summit of the G20 Group in 2022
✓ 35th edition of India-Indonesia Coordinated Patrol (IND-INDO CORPAT)
✓ India-Indonesia Defence Ministers’ Dialogue held in New Delhi
✓ India, Indonesia Coast Guards sign MoU to boost maritime relations

About INDONESIA
✓ Capital : Jakarta
✓ New Capital : East Kalimantan
✓ Currency : Rupiah
✓ President : Joko Widodo
✓ Samudra Shakti Naval Exercise : India and Indonesia
✓ Garuda Shakti Military Exercise : India and Indonesia
✓ Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) : Headquarters : Jakarta, Indonesia

Q. Which country has unveiled a new submarine-launched ballistic missile described by state media as the world’s most powerful weapon?

A) China  
B) Russia  
C) North Korea  
D) Israel

Answer : C

✓ North Korea has unveiled a new submarine-launched ballistic missile described by state media as the world’s most powerful weapon.

**NORTH KOREA IN NEWS**

✓ India extends medical assistance worth USD 1 million to North Korea  
✓ Vladimir Putin honoured World War II medal to North Korean Leader Kim Jong-un

**About North Korea**

✓ Capital : Pyongyang  
✓ Currency : Won  
✓ Leader : Kim Jong-un

Static GK Based Current Affairs MCQs 16th January 2021

Q. Where is Bhilai Expansion Power Plant located?

A) Bihar  
B) Chattisgarh
C) Sikkim
D) Andhra Pradesh

Answer : B

Q. The Mahabodhi Temple is situated in which state?
A) Bihar
B) Tamil Nadu
C) Rajasthan
D) Kerala

Answer : A

Q. Which day is observed as World Diabetes Day?
A) 12th March
B) 14th November
C) 15th December
D) 22nd April

Answer : B

Q. Where is the Headquarters of Food & Agricultural Organisation (FAO)?
A) New York, US
B) London, United Kingdom
C) Rome, Italy
D) Dubai, UAE

Answer : C

Q. Kalinga Award is related to which field?
A) Science
B) Film
C) Literature
D) Music

Answer : A

Q. Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose International Airport is located in which city?
A) Patna
B) Chennai
C) Hyderabad
D) Kolkata

Answer : D

Q. In which state is Atapaka Bird Sanctuary located?
A) Assam
B) Arunachal Pradesh
C) Andhra Pradesh
D) Sikkim

Answer : C

Q. On bank of which river is Mathura located?
A) Vaigai
B) Yamuna
C) Chambal
D) Ganges
Answer : B

Q. Berlin and Euro is the capital and currency of which country?
A) Germany
B) Iran
C) Kenya
D) Libya
Answer : A

Q. In which state is Narora Nuclear Power Plant located?
A) Maharashtra
B) Punjab
C) Uttar Pradesh
D) Assam
Answer : C
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