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Q. Which bank has launched the AURA Credit Card, loaded with health and wellness benefits?

A) Axis Bank  
B) Yes Bank  
C) HDFC Bank  
D) ICICI Bank

Answer: A

- Axis Bank has unveiled a credit ‘AURA’ exclusively loaded with several health and wellness benefits for its users at an affordable price.

**AXIS BANK IN NEWS**

- Axis Bank launches ‘Axis Bank Rupi Business Credit Card’ for MSMEs  
- Axis Bank to buy 19.002% stake in Max Life against 17% earlier  
- Axis Bank launches ACE Credit Card, in collaboration with Google Pay & Visa  
- Axis Bank tie-up with Vistara to launch co-branded forex card  
- Axis Bank launches hiring initiative named ‘Gig-a-Opportunities’

**About AXIS BANK**

- Founded: 1993  
- HQ: Mumbai, Maharashtra  
- Chairman: Rakesh Makhija
• MD & CEO : Amitabh Chaudhary
• Tagline : Badhti Ka naam Zindagi

Q. Siddhartha Mohanty has recently been elected as the managing director (MD) of which company?
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C) SEBI
D) LIC

Answer : D

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• Chairman : M. R. Kumar

Q. Indian Railways has renamed the Howrah-Kalka Mail as__________?
A) Netaji Express
B) Sardar Express
C) Azad Express
D) Bose Express

Answer : A
Indian Railways has renamed the Howrah-Kalka Mail as ‘Netaji Express’, in a tribute to freedom fighter Subhas Chandra Bose who is also known as ‘Netaji’.

The Howrah-Kalka Mail runs between Howrah in West Bengal (Eastern Railway) and Kalka in Haryana (Northern Railway) via Delhi.

Q. The Centre has recently approved the 850 megawatt (MW) Ratle hydropower project in which of these states?
A) Assam
B) Jammu and Kashmir
C) Uttar Pradesh
D) Kerala
Answer: B

Union Cabinet has approved 850 megawatt (MW) Ratle hydropower project worth a Rs. 5281.94 crore on Chenab river in Kishtwar district of Jammu and Kashmir.

Q. India sent 1 million doses of a COVID vaccine to Nepal as a gift under the _____ initiative.
A) Vaccine Sakha
B) Vaccine Bandhu
C) Vaccine Maitri
D) Vaccine Rakshak
Answer: C

India sent 1 million doses of a COVID vaccine to Nepal as a gift under the 'Vaccine Maitri' Initiative.

Q. Which organization will launch customised space-themed t-shirts, mugs, other merchandise?
A) ISRO
B) DRDO
C) HAL
D) OFB

Answer : A

- Along the lines of what American space agency NASA has done, the ISRO will come out with customised t-shirts, posters, coffee mugs, key chains, and posters etc

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**ISRO IN NEWS**

- ISRO Chairman K Sivan gets one year extension up to 2022
- ISRO sets up dedicated control centre ‘NETRA’ for Space Situational Awareness
- ISRO successfully launches India’s new communication satellite CMS-01 from Sriharikota onboard PSLV-C50
- Space-tech start-up ‘Pixxel’ to launch remote-sensing satellite on ISRO rocket in early 2021
- Indian Space Research organisation ISRO has scheduled the launch of the Earth Observation Satellite EOS01. Launch vehicle PSLV-C49
- ISRO Launches Earth Observation Satellite (EOS-01) and 9 Foreign Satellites from Sriharikota
- Xiaomi to bring ISRO’s NavIC technology to smartphones in 2020
- ISRO Chief K Sivan named for Von Karman Award 2020 by the International Academy of Astronautics (IAA)
- ISRO will launch GSAT-30 satellite onboard Ariane-5 launch vehicle (VA 251) from French Guiana
- ISRO to launch its Venus mission in 2025, France to take part: French space agency
- ISRO’s Mars Orbiter Mission captures image of Mars’ biggest moon ‘Phobos’

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**About Indian Space Research Organisation[a] (ISRO)**

- Founded : 15 August 1969
- HQ : Bengalure, Karnataka
- Founder / 1st Chairman : Vikram Sarabhai
- Chairman : Kailasavadivoo Sivan (Rocket Man of India)

Q. Which organisation has partnered with the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (MoRTH) for cooperation in sustainable geo-hazard management?
A) OFB  
B) ISRO  
C) DRDO  
D) HAL  

Answer : C

- The DRDO and the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (MoRTH) have joined hands to strengthen collaboration in the field of technical exchange and cooperation on sustainable geo-hazard management.

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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. Who has been named as the Managing Director of Sundaram Finance?

A) Pradeep Shankar
B) Manpreet Gill
C) Rajiv Lochan
D) Shashikant Tyagi

Answer: C

The board of Sundaram Finance has named Rajiv Lochan (director Strategy) as managing director with effect from April 1

- Sundaram Finance
- Founded: 1954
- Headquarteres: Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Q. Nihal Sarin has won the Gazprom Brilliancy Prize. Nihal is associated with ______.

A) Badminton
B) Golf
C) Shooting
D) Chess

Answer: D

- Indian chess prodigy Nihal Sarin has won the Gazprom Brilliancy Prize.

Q. Which becomes the first state to give electricity subsidy through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT)?

A) Madhya Pradesh
B) Uttar Pradesh
C) Maharashtra
D) Andhra Pradesh
Answer: A

Madhya Pradesh has become the first State to give electricity subsidy through Direct Benefit Transfer

**MADHYA PRADESH IN NEWS**

- MP Govt launches ‘Launch Pad Scheme’ to make youth self-reliant
- Madhya Pradesh Government is introducing Campaign regarding promotion of “Ek Zila- Ek Shilp”
- India’s first tiger reserve hot air balloon safari launched in Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve of Madhya Pradesh
- Gwalior and Orchha Cities of Madhya Pradesh Included in UNESCO World Heritage Cities List
- Panna Tiger Reserve of Madhya Pradesh gets UNESCO Biosphere Reserve status
- Arjun Munda e-launches “Virtual Aadi Mahotsav-Madhya Pradesh”
- Madhya Pradesh Government Launches Roadmap For "Self-Reliant Madhya Pradesh"
- Madhya Pradesh Government Announces Formation Of "Cow Cabinet" For Conservation Of Cows
- Madhya Pradesh Government Launches "Quit Dirt India" Campaign
- "One Mask - Many Lives" Public Awareness Campaign Inaugurated In Madhya Pradesh
- Nitin Gadkari inaugurates 45 Highway projects worth around Rs 11,427 cr in Madhya Pradesh
- Madhya Pradesh CM launches ‘Mukhyamantri Kisan Kalyan Yojna’ on lines of PM-Kisan Scheme
- MP govt launches ‘Roadmap to Aatma Nirbhar Madhya Pradesh’
- PM Narendra Modi inaugurates Rewa Solar Power Project in Madhya Pradesh

**Q. Which state government has announced for the formation of ‘Mukhyamantri Bagayat Vikas Mission’?**

A) Madhya Pradesh

B) Bihar

C) Chhattisgarh
D) Gujarat

Answer : D

- Chief minister Vijay Rupani has announced for the formation of ‘Mukhyamantri Bagayat Vikas Mission’.
- The aim is to accelerate agriculture, horticulture and promote farming of herbal plants

GUJARAT IN NEWS

- India’s first Lithium refinery to be set up in Gujarat
- Gujarat govt announces to set up the world’s biggest Zinc Smelter project
- India’s biggest cardiac hospital in Ahmedabad Gujarat
- Gujarat to commence Seaplane service from 31 October 2020
- Gujarat Tops FSSAI’s State Food Safety Index 2019-20
- Gujarat to launch ‘Digital Seva Setu’ to offer public welfare services online in rural areas
- Gujarat Tops NITI Aayog’s inaugural Export Preparedness Index 2020
- Gujarat inks MoU with Denmark in water sector

Q. Which Fintech company has launched the Digital Acceleration for Small Businesses microsite across most of its Asia Pacific websites?

A) Mastercard
B) Amazon
C) Apple
D) Reliance Industries

Answer : A

MICROSOFT IN NEWS

- Microsoft & AICTE collaborate to empower students and educators
- Microsoft partners NSDC to provide digital skills
- Microsoft & SBI join hands to train differently-abled
About MICROSOFT

- Founded: 1975
- Founders: Bill Gates and Paul Allen
- Headquarters: Washington, U.S.
- Chairman: John W. Thompson
- CEO: Satya Nadella
- President: Brad Smith

Q. Which bank has entered into a co-lending arrangement with IIFL Home Finance Ltd to extend credit to MSME loans?

A) HSBC Bank
B) DBS Bank
C) Deutsche Bank
D) Standard Chartered Bank

Answer: D

- Standard Chartered Bank
- Headquarteres: London


A) Pankaj Kumar
B) Ram Sewak Sharma
C) Ruskin Bond
D) Arvind Subramanian

Answer: B

- Ram Sewak Sharma, the first director general of the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) writes an insider’s account in The Making of Aadhaar: World’s Largest Identity Platform
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A) Bihar  
B) Chhattisgarh  
C) Uttar Pradesh  
D) Arunachal Pradesh

Answer: D

- Former Governor of Arunachal Pradesh and senior Congress leader Mata Prasad has passed away
- He had served as the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh in 1993
Mata Prasad hailed from Jaunpur district of Uttar Pradesh

Q. Name the safe pay gateway launched by the Airtel Payments Bank, as an additional safety feature for its users transacting through UPI or other online mode to protect them from online fraud?

A) Airtel Safe Pay
B) Airtel Guard Pay
C) Airtel Unique Pay
D) Airtel Secure Pay

Answer : A

Gurugram-based Airtel Payments Bank has launched a safe mode of pay gateway called ‘Airtel Safe Pay’

Q. What was the profession of Unnikrishnan Namboothiri, who has passed away?

A) Scientists
B) Politician
C) Actor
D) Architect

Answer : C

Veteran Malayalam actor Unnikrishnan Namboothiri has passed away

Q. Gajendra Singh Shaktawat, a Congress leader has passed away. He was an MLA from which state?

A) Bihar
B) Rajasthan
C) Maharashtra
D) Gujarat

Answer : B
- Rajasthan Congress MLA from Vallabhnagar in Udaipur district, Gajendra Singh Shaktawat, has passed away

### RAJASTHAN IN NEWS

- ‘One-Stop Shop’ Scheme
- Indira Rasoi Yojana
- “Pure for Sure” Campaign
- Raj Kaushal Portal
- Suposhit Maa Abhiyan
- “Aayu & Sehat Sathi” App
- “RajCop citizens” App
- Rajasthan Indian's 1st State to carry out Rapid Testing for Covid-19
- ‘Pink City’ Jaipur received UNESCO World Heritage City certificate
- India's 1st regional voters' awareness centre to come up in Jaipur
- Patrika Gate has been inaugurated in Jaipur by Narendra Modi
- Rajasthan signed MoU with SIDBI to develop MSME ecosystem
- IIT Madras incubated startup Stellapps launches ‘mooPay’ for dairy farmers in Rajasthan

Q. Kamala Harris is the first women and even the first black person to be sworn in as the Vice-President of US. She has been elected as the _____ VP of the country

A) 46
B) 47
C) 48
D) 49

Answer: D

- Kamala Harris took oath as 49th Vice President of the country, becoming the first women to hold the post in the history of United States.
Q. A major fire broke out at the Serum Institute of India's building. Serum Institute is in _______.
A) Ahmedabad
B) Chennai
C) Mumbai
D) Pune
Answer : D
- The major fire that broke out at the Pune-based Serum Institute of India's building has led to the death of five people

Static GK Based Current Affairs MCQs

Q. International Committee of the Red Cross is headquartered at___________.
A) Paris, France
B) Geneva, Switzerland
C) Rome, Italy
D) Vienna, Austria
Answer : B

Q. Ryder Cup is associated with which sports?
A) Badminton
B) Hockey
C) Tennis
D) Golf
Answer : D

Q. Krishnapatnam Port is located in which state?
A) Tamil Nadu
B) Kerala
C) Andhra Pradesh
D) Odisha
Answer : C

Q. Cheraw dance is a traditional dance performed in _______.
A) Manipur
B) Mizoram
C) Assam
D) Odisha
Q. In which state is the Captain Roop Singh Stadium located?
A) Madhya Pradesh
B) Uttar Pradesh
C) Haryana
D) Sikkim
Answer: A

Q. Where in India is the Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant?
A) Chattisgarh
B) Andhra Pradesh
C) Tamil Nadu
D) New Delhi
Answer: C

Q. Dwarkadhish Temple is situated in which state?
A) Gujarat
B) Bihar
C) Rajasthan
D) Punjab
Answer: A

Q. Tilicho Lake is located in which country?
A) Iran
B) China
C) Nepal
D) Bhutan
Answer: C

Q. Which is the largest river island in the world?
A) Umananda Island
B) Victoria Island
C) Majuli Island
D) New Guinea
Answer: C

Q. In which state is the Mudumalai Wildlife Sanctuary situated?
A) Maharashtra
B) Kerala
C) Haryana
D) Tamil Nadu
Answer: D

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