Q. How many Padma awards have been announced for 2021?

A) 109
B) 134
C) 119
D) 105

Answer: C

✓ The 2021 Padma Award has been conferred upon 119 winners, which includes 7 Padma Vibhushan, 10 Padma Bhushan and 102 Padma Shri Awards

✓ The Padma Awards are one of the highest civilian Awards in India. They are conferred in three categories namely, Padma Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan and Padma Shri

Q. Who has been felicitated with the Indian Personality of the Year Award at the 51st International Film Festival of India (IFFI)?

A) Biswajit Chatterjee
B) Priyadarshan
C) Vittorio Storaro
D) Kripal Kalita

Answer: A
51ST INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL OF INDIA (IFFI)

✓ Opening movie: ‘Another Round’ (Denmark) Director by Thomas Vinterberg
✓ Closing Movie: ‘Wife of a Spy’ (Japan) Director By Kiyoshi Kurosawa
✓ Bangladesh declared as ‘Country in Focus’ for 51st IFFI
✓ Argentine filmmaker Pablo Cesar to head 51st IFFI’s International Jury: Priyadarshan of India
✓ IFFI 2021 to celebrate the work of legendary filmmaker Satyajit Ray
✓ The International Film Festival of India (IFFI), founded in 1952
✓ 51st IFFI is being organised from 16th to 24th January in Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Indoor Stadium at Panaji, Goa
✓ Biswajit Chatterjee awarded ‘Indian Personality of the Year’ at 51st IFFI
✓ The ‘Lifetime Achievement’ this year was given to Italian cinematographer Vittorio Storaro

Q. When is the International Holocaust Remembrance Day observed globally?

A) 24 January
B) 25 January
C) 26 January
D) 27 January

Answer: D

✓ International Day of Commemoration in memory of the victims of the Holocaust (International Holocaust Remembrance Day) is observed on 27 January every year since 2006 to commemorate the anniversary of the tragedy of the Holocaust that occurred during the Second World War.
✓ The theme of the International Holocaust Remembrance Day 2021 is “Facing the Aftermath: Recovery and Reconstitution after the Holocaust”

Q. DRDO conducted the first ever test firing of the Akash-NG missile successfully recently. Akash-NG is a new generation ____ missile?

A) Air-to-Air
B) Surface-to-Air
C) Air-to-Surface
D) Surface-to-Surface

Answer : B

✓ DRDO Conducts Successful Maiden Test Launch of Surface-to-Air Akash-NG Missile
✓ from Integrated Test Range off the coast of Odisha.
✓ Akash-NG is a new generation Surface-to-Air Missile for use by Indian Air Force (IAF)

Q. Name the individual who has won the Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar 2021?

A) Narendra Singh Negi
B) Pramod Kumar Tiwari
C) Kumar Munnan Singh
D) Rajendra Kumar Bhandari

Answer : D

✓ Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar 2021 has been conferred upon
Dr. Rajendra Kumar Bhandari in Individual category
✓ The award carries a cash prize of Rs 51 lakh and a certificate for an institution and Rs
5 lakh and a certificate in case of an individual
✓ The Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar is announced every year on
January 23, on the occasion of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose’s birth anniversary.
✓ The award aims to recognise the excellent work done by individuals and institutions in
India in the field of disaster management
✓ The nomination process for the Subhash Chandra Bose Puraskar began on August 1
and the last date for the receipt of the nominations was October 15, 2019
✓ Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar 2020 on January 23, 2020. The
award will be conferred to Uttarakhand’s Disaster Mitigation & Management Centre
in the institution category and Kumar Munnan Singh in the individual category

Q. The Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar 2021 in institutional category
has been conferred upon?

A) Disaster Mitigation & Management Centre (DMMC), Uttarakhand
B) Sustainable Environment and Ecological Development Society (SEEDS)
C) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (ISDR)
D) National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA)

Answer : B

✓ Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar 2021 has been conferred upon Sustainable Environment and Ecological Development Society (SEEDS) in Institutional category
✓ Sustainable Environment And Ecological Development Society is a non-profit organisation, established in 1994 that works primarily in the domain of Disaster Management.
✓ Its primary office is in New Delhi, Delhi

Q. FICCI has projected the GDP of India at ____ percent in FY21

A) -7.6%
B) -8.8%
C) -7.9%
D) -8.0%

Answer : D

FICCI IN NEWS

✓ Harsh Vardhan inaugurates 7th Edition of MASCRADE 2021 organized by FICCI
✓ India’s GDP to contract 8% in fiscal year 2020-21: FICCI Survey
✓ Bajrang Punia & Elavenil Valarivan bags FICCI 2020 Sportsperson of the Year awards
✓ Uday Shankar takes over as FICCI President

Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI)

✓ Formation : 1927
✓ Founder : Ghanshyam Das Birla
✓ Purshottamdas Thakurdas
✓ Headquarters : New Delhi
✓ Secretary General : Dilip Chenoy
President : Uday Shankar

Q. Who has been conferred with the Lifetime Achievement Award at 51st IFFI held in Goa?

A) Robin Campillo
B) Sergei Loznitsa
C) Blaise Harrison
D) Vittorio Storaro

Answer : D

The winners of the IFFI awards

✓ Golden Peacock Award for Best Film – Into the Darkness (Director: Anders Refn)
✓ Silver Peacock Award for Best Actor – Male – Tzu-Chuan Liu, The Silent Forest
✓ Silver Peacock Award for Best Actor – Female – Zofia Stafiej, I Never Cry
✓ Silver Peacock Award for Best Director – Chen-Nien Ko, The Silent Forest
✓ Best Debut Director Award – Cássio Pereira dos Santos, Valentina
✓ Special Mention Award – Kripal Kalita, Bridge
✓ Special Jury Award – Kamin Kalev, February
✓ ICFT UNESCO Gandhi Award – Ameen Nayfeh’s 200 Meters
✓ Indian Personality of the Year Award – Biswajit Chatterjee
✓ Lifetime Achievement – Vittorio Storaro (Italian cinematographer)

Q. J K Shivan has been named as the new managing director and CEO of which bank?

A) Central Bank of India
B) karur vysya bank
C) Lakshmi Vilas Bank
D) Dhanlaxmi Bank

Answer : D

NEWLY BANK’S MD & CEO

✓ J K Shivan appointed as MD & CEO of Dhanlaxmi Bank
✓ Swaminathan Janakiraman and Aswini Kumar Tewari appointed as MDs of State Bank
RBL Bank board approves re-appointment of Vishwavir Ahuja as MD and CEO
YES Bank appoints Niranjan Banodkar as new CFO
Sashidhar Jagdishan has been appointed as the New MD & CEO of the HDFC Bank
Union Bank of India MD & CEO Rajkiran Rai elected as IBA Chairman
J Venkatramu appointed as MD & CEO of India Post Payments Bank
SBI appoints Charanjit Attra as CFO
Jane Fraser named first female CEO of Citigroup
Murali Ramakrishnan appointed as MD and CEO of South Indian Bank

DHANLAXMI BANK
- Founded : 1927
- Headquarters : Thrissur, Kerala
- Chairman : Sajeev Krishnan
- MD & CEO : J K Shivan
- Tagline : Tann Mann Dhan

Q. Prasanta Dora, who has passed away recently was associated with which sports?
A) Cricket
B) Hockey
C) Wrestling
D) Football
Answer : D
- Prasanta Dora, Former India and Mohun Bagan goalkeeper passes away

Q. The Government released how many crores as a part of the 13th installment to the states to meet GST compensation shortfall?
A) Rs 5000
B) Rs 7500
C) Rs 9100
D) Rs 6000

Answer: D

✓ The centre on January 15, 2021 released the 13th installment of Rs 6,000 cr to states to meet GST compensation shortfall

Q. Who will be honoured with the prestigious Padma Vibhushan award in public affairs?

A) Shinzo Abe
B) Barack Obama
C) Ibrahim Solih
D) Boris Johnson

Answer: A

✓ Former Japanese Prime Minister, Shinzo Abe will be honoured with the prestigious Padma Vibhushan, the second-highest civilian award in India, for his major achievements in the field of Public Affairs.

Q. How many individuals will be honoured with the prestigious Padma Bhushan award this year?

A) 7
B) 10
C) 9
D) 8

Answer: B

✓ President Ram Nath Kovind has approved the conferment of a total of 119 Padma Awards this year- 7 Padma Vibhushan, 10 Padma Bhushan, and 102 Padma Shri. The Padma Awards are the highest civilian awards of the country.

Q. India has pledged how much amount for the UN Peacebuilding fund this year?

A) USD 150,000
B) USD 100,000
C) USD 175,000
D) USD 200,000
**Answer : A**

- India's permanent representative to the United Nations, TS Tirumurti announced on January 25, 2021 that India has pledged USD 150,000 this year for UN Peacebuilding fund

Q. The Finance Ministry has released how much amount to the states for providing grants to Rural Local Bodies?
A) Rs 12,351.5 cr
B) Rs 10,000 cr
C) Rs 9567 cr
D) Rs 13,500 cr
**Answer : A**

Q. The IMF has projected which nation to be the fastest-growing major economy for the next two years?
A) China
B) India
C) US
D) South Korea
**Answer : B**

Q. Which among the following Union Territories displayed its tableau in the Republic Day Parade for the first-ever time?
A) J&K
B) Puducherry
C) New Delhi
D) Ladakh

Answer : D

✓ The display of cultural tableaux at the Republic Day Parade 2021 began with Ladakh's tableau. The tableau, showcasing the culture and communal harmony, festivals, art & architecture, music customs and languages was the first-ever one of the UT in the parade.

Q. Which company has signed an agreement to sell 24.48% share in Good Host for Rs 232.81 crores?

A) Housing Development Finance Corporation Ltd
B) Vastu Housing Finance Corporation Ltd
C) Piramal Housing Finance
D) Sundaram Home Finance

Answer : A

Q. How many peoples have been awarded Padma Vibhushan in Padma Awards 2021?

A) 7
B) 9
C) 8
D) 10

Answer : A

Q. In which of the following field, S P Balasubramaniam has been given the Padma Vibhushan Award 2021?

A) Art
B) Public Affairs
C) Literature and Education
D) Science and Engineering
Q. The Ministry of road transport has decided to impose which tax on old vehicles polluting the environment?
A) Green Tax
B) Blue Tax
C) Black Tax
D) White tax
Answer: A

Q. Who became the Chief Minister of Uttarakhand for one day on National Girl Child Day?
A) Shrishti Goswami
B) Khushi Chirag Patel
C) Arshiya Das
D) Savita Kumari
Answer: A

Static GK Based Current Affairs MCQs

Q. The Round Revolution in India is related with the production ______?
A) Cotton Production
B) Meat Production
C) Potato Production
D) Jute Production
Answer: C

Q. The Hyderabad city is located along the banks of which river?
A) Gomti
B) Musi
C) Kaveri
D) Chambal
Answer: B
Q. The Biju Patnaik International Airport is located in which city?
A) Mangalore  
B) Tiruchirapalli  
C) Bhubaneswar  
D) Guwahati  
**Answer**: C

Q. In which state of India Jhuma dance is performed?
A) Rajasthan  
B) Odisha  
C) Jharkhand  
D) West Bengal  
**Answer**: A

Q. Where is Kalighat Mandir situated?
A) Madhya Pradesh  
B) Maharashtra  
C) West Bengal  
D) Andhra Pradesh  
**Answer**: A

Q. Which is the longest beach in India?
A) Juhu Beach  
B) Calangute Beach  
C) Marina Beach  
D) Agonda Beach  
**Answer**: C

Q. Where are the Udayagiri and Khandagiri Caves situated?
A) Odisha  
B) Arunachal Pradesh  
C) Rajasthan  
D) West Bengal  
**Answer**: A

Q. Akshardham Temple is located in which of the following states?
A) Delhi  
B) Chhattisgarh  
C) Uttarakhand  
D) Tamil Nadu  
**Answer**: A

Q. Which is the smallest Union Territory in India?
A) Ladakh  
B) Dadra and Nagar Haveli  

C) Lakshadweep  
D) Puducherry  
**Answer**: C
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