Q. What is the rank of India in the International Intellectual Property (IP) Index 2021 released by US Chamber of Commerce Global Innovation Policy Centre?

A) 35  
B) 28  
C) 40  
D) 51  

Answer: C

- India has been ranked 40 among 53 global economies in the International Intellectual Property (IP) Index 2021.
- The annual IP Index 2021 was released on March 23, 2021 by the US Chamber of Commerce Global Innovation Policy Centre (GIPC).

About World Intellectual Property Organization


Q. The Kurnool Airport is recently been inaugurated in which state?

A) Karnataka  
B) Kerala  
C) Tamil Nadu  
D) Andhra Pradesh
Answer: D

- Shri Hardeep Singh Puri, Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Civil Aviation, inaugurated the Kurnool Airport, in Andhra Pradesh on March 25, 2021 virtually.
- The flight operations at Kurnool airport will begin from 28 March 2021. This airport has been developed under the Regional Connectivity Scheme, Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik (RCS-UDAN).

Airport in NEWS

- Sanjeev Kumar Appointed As Chairman Of Airports Authority Of India
- Hardeep Singh Puri Inaugurates Kurnool Airport In Andhra Pradesh
- Kushinagar Airport Gets International Airport Licence
- Bengaluru Airport Bags ACI World’s ‘Voice Of The Customer’ Award
- Ayodhya Airport To Be Renamed As Maryada Purushottam Sri Ram Airport
- AAI Hands Over Lucknow Airport To Adani Group
- Puducherry Airport Becomes AAI’s First 100% Solar-Powered Airport
- Fiumicino Airport Awarded World’s 1st 5-Star Anti-Covid Award

About AAI (Airports Authority of India)

- Airports Authority of India Chairman: Arvind Singh.
- Airports Authority of India Headquarters: New Delhi.
- Airports Authority of India Founded: 1 April 1995.

About Andhra Pradesh

- Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh: YS Jagan Mohan Reddy;
- Governor: Biswa Bhusan Harichandan.

Q. How many medals have been won by India in the 2021 Al Ain World Shooting Para Sport tournament?

A) 7 C) 5
B) 11 D) 9

Answer: A
India ended the 2021 World Shooting Para Sport competitions with seven medals, held at Al Ain in UAE from 15 to 25 March 2021. India finished in third place with two gold medals, one silver and four bronze medals.

Gold Medal Winners

- Manish Narwal – P4 mixed 50m air pistol SH2
- Singhraj – P1 men’s 10m air pistol SH1

Silver Medal Winner

- Avani Lekhara – R2 women’s 10m air rifle SH1

Bronze Medal Winners

- Rahul Jakhar – P3 Mixed 25m Pistol SH1
- Singhraj – P4 Mixed 50m Pistol SH1
- Sriharsha DEVARADDI RAMAKRISHNA – R4 Mixed 10m Air Rifle Standing SH2
- Sidhartha BABU – R6 Mixed 50m Rifle Prone SH1

Q. A high level interdisciplinary committee has been set up by AYUSH Ministry to explore the potential of Yoga as a productivity enhancing tool. Who is the chair of this committee?

A) Sri Sri Ravi Shankar  
B) H. R Nagendra  
C) Baba Ramdev  
D) B. K. S. Iyengar

Answer: B

- The Ministry of AYUSH has set up a high level interdisciplinary committee to explore various aspects of the Productivity dimension of Yoga.
- The committee would be chaired by Dr. H. R Nagendra, Chancellor, Swami Vivekananda Yoga Anusandhana Samsthana (SVYASA).

Q. Who is the author of the book “My Experiments With Silence”?

A) Rahul Roy  
B) Gauri Khan
C) Aman Verma  
D) Samir Soni

Answer: D

- Actor Samir Soni will come out with his debut book titled “My Experiments With Silence”, which is about anxiety and self-discovery.

Q. The Central Scrutiny Centre (CSC) and Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority’s (IEPFA) Mobile App was recently launched by Union Minister Nirmala Sitharaman. The two initiatives have been developed by which entity?

A) NPCI  
B) NITI Aayog  
C) Ministry of Corporate Affairs  
D) RBI

Answer: C

- The Union Minister for Finance & Corporate Affairs Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman virtually inaugurated Central Scrutiny Centre (CSC) and Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority’s (IEPFA) Mobile App on March 25, 2021.
- The two tech-enabled initiatives have been launched by Ministry of Corporate Affairs to leverage digital solutions to achieve Prime Minister’s vision of ‘Digitally empowered India.

Q. Name the new customised savings account scheme unveiled by the Indian Overseas Bank (IOB) for Millennials population in India?

A) IOB Mine  
B) IOB Trendy  
C) ION Liberty  
D) IOB Smart

Answer:B

- The Indian Overseas Bank (IOB) has launched ‘IOB Trendy’, a Savings Bank account targeted at Millennials. The IOB Trendy savings account will be customised for the growing millennial population in the country by keeping their banking preferences in mind.
About Indian Overseas Bank

- Indian Overseas Bank CEO: Partha Pratim Sengupta;
- Indian Overseas Bank Headquarters: Chennai;
- Indian Overseas Bank Founded: 10 February 1937, Chennai.

Q. Who will be honored with the Vyas Samman 2020?

A) Pankaj Joshi  
B) Sharad Pagare  
C) Piyush Mishra  
D) Prakash Mathur

Answer: B

- Eminent Hindi writer, Professor Sharad Pagare will be honored with the Vyas Samman 2020 for his novel ‘Patliputra Ki Samragi’. The Vyas Samman carries a prize money of Rs. 4 lakh rupees along with citation and plaque.

Latest Honor in NEWS

- President Ram Nath Kovid Presents Baton Of Honor To Kiran Bedi
- Amitabh Bachchan becomes first Indian to be honoured with 2021 FIAF Award
- Spacecraft Named In Honor Of Black Woman ‘Hidden Figures’ Mathematician
- Sushant Singh Rajput posthumously honoured at Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival with Critic’s Best Actor Award
- ISRO Chairman K Sivan Receives Doctor Of Science Honorary Doctorate
- Indian Army Chief Made Honorary General Of Nepal Army
- Marcus Rashford Receives Honorary Degree From University Of Manchester

Q. Who among the following has/have won Gold medal at the ISSF World Cup?

A) Manu Bhaker  
B) Chinki Yadav  
C) Aishwary Tomar  
D) Both B & C

Answer: D
Aishwary Tomar and Chinki Yadav have won Gold medal at the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) World Cup. Chinki won the gold medal in the women’s 25m pistol event whereas Aishwary won the gold medal in the 50, Rifle.

Q. How many AYUSH Health & Wellness Centers have been inaugurated in Jammu & Kashmir?

A) 56  
B) 29  
C) 36  
D) 73

Answer: D

A total of 73 AYUSH Health & Wellness Centers were virtually inaugurated by the Lieutenant Governor of Jammu & Kashmir. Lt-G, Manoj Sinha also launched a compendium of clinical outcome of AYUSH Interventions ‘Arogya Siddhi’.

Q. Sri Lanka has signed a currency swap deal worth US $ 1.5 billion with ______ for three years.

A) China  
B) India  
C) Japan  
D) Russia

Answer: A

Sri Lanka has signed a currency swap deal worth US $ 1.5 billion with China for three years. The fund will be used to promote bilateral trade and direct investment relations between the two nations.

Sri Lanka in NEWS

- India Describes Sri Lanka ‘Priority One’ Partner In Defence
- Sri Lanka Pacer Dhammika Prasad Quits International Cricket
- Sri Lanka To Host Asia Cup In 2021
- 8th India-Sri Lanka Maritime Exercise SLINEX-20 Begins
About Sri Lanka

- Sri Lanka Capitals: Sri Jayawardenepura Kotte; Currency: Sri Lankan rupee.
- Sri Lanka Prime Minister: Mahinda Rajapaksa;
- Sri Lanka President: Gotabaya Rajapaksa.

Q. Which city gets the world’s first Mobile Water from Air Kiosk?

A) New Delhi  C) Mumbai
B) Vishakhapatnam  D) Lucknow

Answer: B

- Vishakhapatnam has got the world’s first Mobile Water from Air Kiosk. The kiosk will provide clean mineral-enriched potable water from air. The kiosk has been set by Meghdoot Solutions of Maithri Aquatech.

Q. Which of the following has become the world’s 1st smart reading airport?

A) Kempegowda Airport, Bengaluru  C) Dubai International Airport
B) IGI Airport, Delhi  D) Dumdum International Airport,

Answer: C

- Dubai International Airport has become the world’s 1st smart reading airport. Dubai International Airport has partnered with digital magazine provider, Magzter for providing the proposed service.

Q. Which institute won the CoreNet Global Academic Challenge 6.0?

A) MIT, Massachusetts  C) Harvard University
B) IIT Kharagpur  D) University Canada West

Answer: B

- Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kharagpur has won the CoreNet Global Academic Challenge 6.0. It is the first time that a squad from India has won the challenge. The challenge was sponsored by Cushman and Wakefield, KI and IA: Interior Architects.
Q. Which state will launch India’s 1st government-run ambulance network for animals?

A) Uttar Pradesh      C) Arunachal Pradesh
B) Madhya Pradesh     D) Andhra Pradesh

Answer: D

- Andhra Pradesh will launch India’s 1st government-run ambulance network for animals. A fleet of 175 ambulance cum animal clinics will be commissioned for providing doorstep veterinary services at the doorstep.

Q. Which of the following has emerged as the ‘Champion State’ for Van Dhan Vikas Yojana?

A) Sikkim       C) Manipur
B) Assam        D) Meghalaya

Answer: C

- Manipur has emerged as the ‘Champion State’ for Van Dhan Vikas Yojana. Manipur successfully implemented the scheme by establishing 100 Van Dhan Vikas Kedras across the state coordinating 1500 Self Help Groups (SHGs).

Q. As per the TERI & Shell Report, India’s energy system will achieve Net Zero emissions by ____.

A) 2030      C) 2050
B) 2040      D) 2060

Answer: C

- As per the report released by Shell and The Energy & Resources Institute (TERI), India’s energy system will achieve Net Zero emissions by 2050. The report was unveiled by CEO of National Institution for Transforming India (NITI), Amitabh Kant.
Q. Ottawa is the capital of which country?
A) Haiti
B) Canada
C) Cuba
D) Fiji
Answer: B

Q. Kurnool city in Andhra Pradesh lies along the banks of which river?
A) Tungabhadra River
B) Krishna
C) Kaveri
D) Godavari
Answer: A

Q. The World Competitiveness Index is an annual list compiled by which organisation?
A) International Monetary Fund (IMF)
B) Lowy Institute
C) Institute for Management Development (IMD)
D) World Economic Forum
Answer: C

Q. Divan Cup is related to which sports?
A) Badminton
B) Tennis
C) Golf
D) Hockey
Answer: A

Q. The Indian Navy submarine INS Kursura (S20) was decommissioned in February 2001 and preserved as a museum for public access. The INS Kursura museum is based in which city?
A) Bhubaneswar
B) Kochi
C) Chennai
D) Visakhapatnam
Answer: D

Q. Maputo is the capital of which country?
A) Madagascar
B) Mozambique
C) Malawi
D) Bolivia

**Answer: B**

**Q. The Barsapara Cricket Stadium is located in which state of India?**

A) Jharkhand
B) Assam
C) West Bengal
D) Maharashtra

**Answer: B**

It is officially known as Dr. Bhupen Hazarika Cricket Stadium and nicknamed Assam Cricket Association Stadium in Guwahati, Assam.

**Q. Ryder Cup is related to which sports?**

A) Badminton
B) Tennis

**Answer: B**

**Q. Malabo is the capital of which country?**

A) Liberia
B) Equatorial Guinea
C) Palau
D) Serbia

**Answer: B**

**Q. The International Boxing Association (AIBA) has its headquarters at which city?**

A) London, United Kingdom
B) Paris, France
C) Lausanne, Switzerland
D) Rome, Italy

**Answer: C**