Q. Which among the following banks have been taken out of the Prompt Corrective Action (PCA) framework by RBI recently?

A) IDBI Bank  
B) UCO Bank  
C) Indian Overseas Bank  
D) Central Bank of India  

Answer: A

➢ The Reserve Bank of India has taken the IDBI Bank, out of the Prompt Corrective Action (PCA) framework, amid the improving finances of the bank, however it is subjected to certain conditions and continuous monitoring.

IDBI Bank in NEWS

- IDBI Bank Launches Video KYC Facility For Opening Savings Bank Accounts
- IDBI Bank Launches Banking Services On WhatsApp
- IDBI Bank Becomes 1st Bank To Enable Document Embedding Feature On SFMS

About IDBI (Industrial Development Bank of India)

- IDBI Bank CEO: Rakesh Sharma.
- IDBI Established in 1964
- IDBI Bank Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra.

Q. The annual joint military exercise “DUSTLIK II” has kicked off between Indian army and which country?

A) Kazakhstan  
B) Uzbekistan  
C) Mongolia  
D) Ukraine  

Answer: B

### MOST IMPORTANT MILITARY EXERCISE IN NEWS

- Second Indo-Uzbekistan Field Training Exercise ‘DUSTLIK’ commences in Ranikhet, Uttarakhand
- Indian And Indonesian Navies Conduct PASSEX Exercise In Arabian Sea
- India Participates in Naval Exercise ‘Iran-Russia Maritime Security Belt 2021’
- 16th edition of India-US joint military exercise ‘Yudh Abhyas 20’ commences at Bikaner in Rajasthan
- Joint Tri-service Exercise AMPHEX – 21 held in Andaman & Nicobar
- Andaman and Nicobar Command (ANC) to conduct joint military exercise ‘Kavach’ in Andaman Sea
- Indian and French airforces to conduct Exercise Desert Knight-21
- Two-day coastal defence exercise ‘Sea Vigil-21’ kicks off
- Indian & Vietnamese Navy conclude two-day naval passage exercise PASSEX in South China Sea
- India-Indonesia Navies undertake 35th coordinated patrol (CORPAT)
- Andaman and Nicobar Command carries out joint tri-services exercise code ‘Bull Strike’ at Teressa Island
- India-US-Japan-Australia kick-starts Malabar Naval Exercise-2020 in Bay of Bengal
- Bangladesh and US launch joint naval exercise CARAT Bangladesh 2020
- 8th India-Sri Lanka Maritime Exercise SLINEX-20 to begin in Trincomalee in Sri Lanka from October 19
- Indian Navy will be represented by the indigenously built ASW corvettes Kamorta and Kiltan
- 2nd edition of Indian Navy and Bangladesh Navy Bilateral Exercise Bongosagar commenced in Northern Bay of Bengal
- 8th India-Sri Lanka Maritime Exercise SLINEX-20 to begin in Trincomalee, Sri Lanka
- Australia to Join Malabar-2020 Naval Exercise with India, US & Japan in November
- 4th edition India-Japan biennial naval exercise JIMEX-20 begins in Arabian sea
- Indian Navy has conducted a Passage Exercise (PASSEX), a high-end joint naval exercise with the US Navy in the Indian Ocean
- India and Japan conduct PASSEX (passing exercise) naval exercise in Indian Ocean Region
- Indian Navy and the Royal Australian Navy conducted Passage Exercise (PASSEX) in Eastern Indian Ocean Region
- US-Israel Joint military Exercise Juniper Cobra 20 Cancels over coronavirus
- Bimstec Disaster Management Exercise 2020 Held in Odisha
- Indian Navy and Russian Navy has commenced 11th edition of exercise INDRA NAVY begins in Bay of Bengal
- India & US conducts Passage Exercise in Indian Ocean
- Australia cancelled “Pitch Black 2020” due to coronavirus
- India withdraws from Russia military exercise Kavkaz 2020

### About Uzbekistan’s

- Capital: Tashkent
- President: Shavkat Mirziyoyev
- Currency: Uzbekistani so‘m
- Recognised regional languages: Karakalpak (Karakalpakistan)

Q. Which company has recently acquired 26 percent stake in Indian Gas Exchange (IGX) to become co-promoter and second largest shareholder of the gas trading platform?

A) GAIL  
B) Reliance Industries Limited  
C) National Stock Exchange  
D) ONGC

Answer: C

> The National Stock Exchange (NSE) has acquired a 26% equity stake in the Indian Gas Exchange (IGX), through its wholly owned subsidiary NSE Investments. With this, NSE has become a co-promoter and the second largest shareholder on the IGX gas-trading platform.

### National Stock Exchange of India Limited

- NSE was established in 1992
- No. of listings: 1,952
- Location: Mumbai, India
About IGX

- Indian Gas Exchange Ltd. (IGX) is India's first automated national level Gas Exchange for trading in natural gas in the country.
- It was authorized by Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) on December 2, 2020.
- It started operations on June 15, 2020.

Business in NEWS

- NSE becomes co-promoter in IGX, as it buys 26% stake in gas trading platform
- SEBI cancels registration of Sahara India Financial Corporation as Sub-broker
- China Surpasses US to become India’s top trade partner in 2020
- Hyundai Develops Ultimate Mobility Vehicle ‘TIGER X-1’
- Google Cloud appoints Bikram Singh Bedi as Managing Director for India business
- Paypal to shut domestic payments service in India from April 1
- Reliance sources world’s first ‘carbon-neutral’ oil from United States
- Ford joins hand with Google to offer cloud-based data services

Q. Name the Indian celebrity who has been chosen as the recipient of the 2021 FIAF Award by the International Federation of Film Archives (FIAF)?

A) Amitabh Bachchan  
B) Priyanka Chopra  
C) Anupam Kher  
D) Akshay Kumar

Answer: A

- Bollywood megastar Amitabh Bachchan has been chosen as the recipient of the prestigious 2021 FIAF Award by the International Federation of Film Archives (FIAF).
**Awards & Honours in NEWS**

- **Kiran Bedi** Receives Baton of Honor from President Ram Nath Kovind
- **Amitabh Bachchan becomes** first Indian to be honoured with 2021 FIAF Award
- Chess Player **Koneru Humpy** named BBC Indian Sportswoman of the Year 2021
- Niger’s President **Mahamadou Issoufou** wins Africa’s top prize for Leadership
- India’s **Anjali Bharadwaj** among 12 people named by Biden administration for newly-instituted Anti-corruption Award
- **Sushant Singh Rajput** posthumously honoured at Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival with Critic’s Best Actor Award
- Tamil Movie “**Koozhangal**” Wins Tiger Award at Rotterdam International Film Festival 2021
- **Manasa Varanasi** of Telangana crowned VLCC Femina Miss India World 2020
- **Robert Irwin** wins Wildlife Photographer of the Year 2021

**About FIAF**

- FIAF Founded: 17 June 1938;
- Headquarters: Brussels, Belgium.

**Q. Kiren Bedi has been presented with Baton of Honour by President Ram Nath Kovind in recognition for her services to_____**

A) Indian Police Service  
B) Union Territory of Puducherry  
C) United Nations Police  
D) Bharatiya Janata Party

**Answer: B**

> President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind presented a Baton of Honour and a letter of appreciation to former Puducherry Lieutenant Governor Kiran Bedi at the Rashtrapati Bhavan in Delhi on March 08, 2021. The Baton of Honor is decorated with the emblem of the Indian Republic. Bedi was recognised for her services to the Union Territory of Puducherry.
Q. Anurag Thakur is the first BJP MP to be promoted as Captain in the Territorial Army. He is an MP from which state?

A) Rajasthan  
B) Gujarat  
C) Uttarakhand  
D) Himachal Pradesh

Answer: D

About Himachal Pradesh

- Chief Minister of HP: Jairam Thakur;
- Governor of HP: Bandaru Dattatraya.

Q. Which Indian celebrity has been listed in the 2021 Young Global Leaders (YGLs) forum by World Economic Forum

A) Anushka Sharma  
B) Shraddha Kapoor  
C) Deepika Padukone  
D) Alia Bhatt

Answer: C

Bollywood actor Deepika Padukone has joined the Forum of the Young Global Leaders (YGLs) for the year 2021 compiled by the World Economic Forum.

About World Economic Forum

- World Economic Forum Headquarters: Cologny, Switzerland.
- World Economic Forum Founder: Klaus Schwab.

Q. Who has been appointed as the new Chief Statistician of India (CSI)?

A) G P Samanta  
B) Sridhar Srivastava  
C) Rattan Chand  
D) Probir Chaudhury
The Central Government has appointed Dr. G P Samanta as the new Chief Statistician of India (CSI) for a period of two years. He is India’s fourth CSI.

Appointment in NEWS

- **Imran Amin Siddiqui** appointed as Executive Director of Indian Bank
- CAG of India **Girish Murmu** re-appointed Chairman of UN Panel of External Auditors for 2021
- Indian Economist **Ligia Noronha** Appointed As Assistant Secretary-General of United Nations
- Economic Affairs Secretary **Tarun Bajaj** gets additional charge of Revenue Secretary
- Indian-Origin **Naureen Hassan** appointed as First VP & COO of Federal Reserve Bank
- **Mary Kom** appointed chairperson of AIBA’s champions and veterans committee
- **Manpreet Vohra** Appointed as High Commissioner of India To Australia
- IPS Officer **Kuldiep Singh** given additional charge as Director General of CRPF
- **Matam Venkata Rao** takes charge as MD & CEO of Central Bank of India
- Vice Admiral **Ajendra Bahadur Singh** takes over as the Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief of Eastern Naval Command
- Russian supermodel ‘**Supernova’ Natalia Vodianova** roped in as UNFPA goodwill ambassador

Q. Hamed Bakayoko, who has passed away recently was the serving Prime Minister of which country?

A) Ghana
B) Ivory Coast
C) Madagascar
D) Sierra Leone

Answer: B

- The incumbent Prime Minister of Ivory Coast, Hamed Bakayoko, has passed away due to cancer. He was 56.
About Ivory Coast

- Ivory Coast President: Alassane Ouattara.
- Ivory Coast Capital: Yamoussoukro.
- Ivory Coast Currency: West African CFA franc.

Q. Imran Amin Siddiqui has been appointed as the Executive Director (ED) of which bank?

A) Punjab National Bank  
B) Canara Bank  
C) Indian Bank  
D) Bank of Baroda

Answer: C

Imran Amin Siddiqui, the General Manager of state-owned Indian Bank, has been appointed as the Executive Director (ED) of the Bank with effect from March 10, 2021.

Q. Herath festival is being celebrated in __________.

A) Jammu & Kashmir  
B) Andhra Pradesh  
C) Uttar Pradesh  
D) Madhya Pradesh

Answer: A

Herath festival is being celebrated in Jammu & Kashmir. Herath is the local name of the three-day festival of Mahashivratri. The festival is a symbol of harmony and devotion and is the hallmark of the glorious tradition of the union territory.

LATEST FESTIVAL IN NEWS

- International Yoga Festival Begins In Rishikesh
- 47th Khajuraho Dance Festival began in Khajuraho, Madhya Pradesh
- Kanchoth Festival Celebrated Across J&K"S Chenab Valley
- 'Pahela Phagun' Spring Festival Celebrated In Bangladesh
- Famous Mandu Festival Begins In Madhya Pradesh
- Bird festival 'Kalrav' Nagi bird sanctuary Bihar
Q. The second edition of DUSTLIK II joint military exercise has been organised in which place in India?

A) Ranikhet  C) Dehradun
B) Nainital  D) Haldwani

Answer: A


Q. ______ has committed to support 1 million rural business women across India under Women Will programme.

A) Yahoo  C) Google
B) Amazon  D) Microsoft

Answer: C

➢ Google has committed to support 1 million rural business women across India under Women Will programme. This announcement was made on the occasion of International Women’s Day.

Q. Which company owns the highest stake in Indian Gas Exchange (IGX)?
A) Multi Commodity Exchange C) Tata Power
B) Indian Energy Exchange D) State Bank of India

Answer: B

➢ The Indian Energy Exchange (IEX), which set up the IGX natural gas trading hub, has 54 percent share holding in IGX.

Q. Who inaugurated the ‘Tribes India GI Mahotsav’ at LBSNAA, Mussoorie?
A) Narendra Modi C) Prahlad Singh
B) Arjun Munda D) Hardeep Singh

Answer: B

➢ Union Minister for Tribal Affairs, Shree Arjun Munda inaugurated the 1st ever ‘Tribes India GI Mahotsav’ at Lal Bahadur Shashtri National Academy of Administration (LBSNAA), Mussoorie. The event exhibited Geographical Indication (GI) products from different parts of India.

Q. The “Jan Aushadhi Diwas” is observed every year on __________.
A) March 7 B) April 12 C) September 21 D) November 15

Answer -A

Q. Where in India is the “Rani Jhansi Marine National Park” located?
A) Telangana B) West Bengal

Answer - C

Q. The “Rajiv Gandhi International Airport” is located in which state?
A) Telangana B) West Bengal

Answer - C
C) Jharkhand
D) Tripura

Answer - A

Q. In which state is the “Korba Super Thermal Power Plant” situated?
A) Madhya Pradesh
B) Haryana
C) Uttarakhand
D) Chhattisgarh

Answer - D

Q. Kadra Dam is situated in which state?
A) Kerala
B) Karnataka
C) Odisha
D) Bihar

Answer - B

Q. “Tallinn” is the capital of which country?
A) Liberia
B) Hungary
C) Estonia
D) Namibia

Answer - C

Q. The “International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF)” is headquartered at_______
A) Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
B) Munich, Germany
C) Lausanne, Switzerland
D) Budapest, Hungary

Answer - B

Q. Where is the headquarters of the “United Nations Children’s Fund” (UNICEF) located?
A) Rome, Italy
B) London, UK
C) Geneva, Switzerland
D) New York, USA

Answer - D

Q. “Ker puja” is a festival held in which state of India?
A) Tripura
B) Nagaland
C) Sikkim
D) Assam

Answer - A

Q. Where in India is “Salim Ali Bird Sanctuary” situated?
A) Rajasthan
B) Assam
C) Goa

D) Maharashtra

Answer - C

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