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Q. Which among the following Payments Bank has recently been designated as Scheduled Commercial Banks by RBI?

A) Airtel Payments Bank  
B) Fino Payments Bank  
C) India Post Payments Bank  
D) Paytm Payments Bank  

Answer: B

Benefits of being a scheduled bank under the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934:

- Becomes eligible for debts/loans at the bank rate from the RBI
- Automatically acquires the membership of clearinghouse
- Rediscount of first-class exchange bills from the RBI
- Scheduled Commercial Banks in India are categorised into five different groups according to their ownership and/or nature of the operation. These bank groups are:

State Bank of India and its Associates

- Nationalised Banks
- Regional Rural Banks
- Foreign Banks
- Other Indian Scheduled Commercial Banks (in the private sector)

About Fino Payment Bank

- Chairman of Fino Payments Bank: Prof Mahendra Kumar Chouhan.
- Fino Payments Bank established: 13 July 2006.
- MD & CEO of Fino Payments Bank: Rishi Gupta.
- Headquarters of Fino Payments Bank: Mumbai, Maharashtra.
Here is the list of Active Payment Banks in India and their Headquarters

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Q. Which country has become the 1st nation to receive COVAX vaccines?

A) Brazil                    C) Kenya
B) Ghana                     D) Russia

Answer: B

- Ghana has become the 1st nation in the world to receive COVAX vaccines. Around 6,00,000 dozes of AstraZeneca’s vaccine manufactured by Serum Institute of India (SII). The COVAX initiative is led by CEPI, GAVI and WHO.

About Ghana

- Ghana President: Nana Akufo-Addo.
- Ghana Capital: Accra.
Ghana Currency: Ghanaian cedi.

Q. The Zero Discrimination Day was launched by UNAIDS in 2014. When is the day observed?

A) March 1  
B) First Monday of March  
C) February 28  
D) Last Sunday of February

Answer: A

➢ The Zero Discrimination Day is held every year on 1 March.

List of important Days in March 2021

- 2 March – Employee Appreciation Day
- 4 March – National Safety Day
- 8 March – International Women’s Day, Ramakrishna Jayanti
- 10 March – CISF Raising Day
- 12 March – Mauritius Day
- 14 March – Pi Day, International Day of Action for Rivers
- 15 March – World Consumer Rights Day, World Sleep Day
- 16 March – National Vaccination Day
- 18 March – Ordnance Factories Day (India)
- 20 March – International Day of Happiness, World Oral Health Day
- 22 March – World Water Day
- 23 March – World Meteorological Day
- 24 March – World Tuberculosis (TB) Day
- 25 March – International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade, International Day of the Unborn Child
- 26 March – Purple Day for epilepsy
- 27 March – World Theatre Day
- Second Wednesday of March – No Smoking Day

Q. Which country has become India’s largest trading partner?

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

Answer: A

- China has become India’s largest trading partner as per the provisional data released by the Ministry of Commerce, Government of India. The trade volume is however, lower than the previous year.

China in NEWS:

- China Surpasses US to become India’s top trade partner
- China Overtakes the US as Largest Trading Partner of European Union
- China surpasses United States as largest recipient of FDI
- China Overtakes Germany as Largest Current Account Surplus Country: Ifo Report
- India-Vietnamese Navy Conducts passage exercise PASSEX-2020 in South China Sea

About China:

- Capital: Beijing Trending
- Currency: Renminbi
- President: Xi Jinping
- National flower: Plum blossom
- National tree: Ginkgo
- National bird: Red-crowned Crane, Golden Pheasant
- National animal: Chinese Dragon, Giant Panda
- National Fruit: Fuzzy Kiwifruit, Jujube
- National Sports: Table Tennis
- The Central Bank of China: People’s Bank of China
Q. Which entry has won the maximum awards at the Golden Globe Awards 2021?

A) The Great C) The Undoing

Answer: D

Golden Globe Awards 2021

Winners in Film category

- Best Film – Drama: *Nomadland*
- Best Film – Musical/Comedy: *Borat Subsequent Moviefilm*
- Best Director: Chloe Zhao for *Nomadland*
- Best Actress – Drama: Andra Day for *The United States vs. Billie Holiday*
- Best Actor – Drama: Chadwick Boseman for *Ma Rainey’s Black Bottom*
- Best Actress – Musical/Comedy: Rosamund Pike for *I Care A Lot*
- Best Actor – Musical/Comedy: Sacha Baron Cohen for *Borat Subsequent Moviefilm*
- Best Supporting Actress: Jodie Foster for *The Mauritanian*
- Best Supporting Actor: Daniel Kaluuya for *Judas And The Black Messiah*
- Best Screenplay: Aaron Sorkin for *The Trial of the Chicago 7*
- Best Foreign Language Film: *Minari*
- Best Animated Feature: *Soul*
- Best Original Score: *Soul*
- Best Original Song: ‘Io Si (Seen)’ from *The Life Ahead*

Winners in Television category

- Best TV Series – Drama: *The Crown*
- Best TV Series – Musical/Comedy: *Schitt’s Creek*
- Best Limited Series, Anthology or TV Film: *The Queen’s Gambit*
- Best Actress – Drama: Emma Corrin for *The Crown*
- Best Actor – Drama: Josh O’Connor for *The Crown*
- Best Actress – Musical/Comedy: Catherine O’Hara for *Schitt’s Creek*
- Best Actor – Musical/Comedy: Jason Sudeikis for *Ted Lasso*
- Best Supporting Actress: Gillian Anderson for *The Crown*
Best Supporting Actor: John Boyega for *Small Axe*
Best Actress (Limited Series, Anthology or TV Film): Anya Taylor-Joy for *The Queen’s Gambit*
Best Actor (Limited Series, Anthology or TV Film): Mark Ruffalo for *I Know This Much Is True*

Q. The new satellite ‘Arktika-M’ has been launched by which country to monitor the climate and environment of Arctic region?

A) United States  
B) Japan  
C) Russia  
D) France

Answer: C

- The Russian space corporation Roscosmos successfully launched its first satellite to monitor the Arctic’s climate and environment. The satellite called “Arktika-M”, was launched on February 28, 2021, onboard Soyuz-2.1b carrier rocket, from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan.

**RUSSIA IN NEWS**

- United States-Russia Extends New START Arms Reduction Treaty for Five Years
- India to procure 21 MiG-29 and 12 Sukhoi-30MKI fighter aircraft from Russia
- BWF Bans Russian badminton player Nikita Khakimov for five years over betting, fixing offences
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**About Russia:**

- President: Vladimir Putin
- Capital: Moscow
- Currency: Russian ruble
Q. The Amazonia-1 satellite was launched by ISRO as primary payload among the 19 satellites, onboard on PSLV-C51, in its first lift-off for 2021. The Amazonia-1 satellite belongs to which country?

A) Russia  
B) United States  
C) Argentina  
D) Brazil  

Answer: D

- The Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle, PSLV-C51, was used to launch the 19 payloads, which included 637-kg Amazonia-1 satellite of Brazil as its primary passenger and 18 other co-passenger satellites.

**BRAZIL IN NEWS**

- Carolina Araujo of Brazil Wins 2020 Ramanujan Prize for Young Mathematicians
- Bharat Biotech inks pact with Precisa Med to supply Covaxin to Brazil
- Brazilian President J. M. Bolsonaro to be India’s 71st Republic Day Chief Guest
- ISRO to launch Brazil’s Amazonia-1 satellite
- Brazil’s Marcos Prado Troyjo Named as new President of NDB to Replace KV Kamath

**About BRAZIL**

- Capital: Brasília
- Currency: Real
- President: Jair Bolsonaro

**Satellite in NEWS 2021**

- SpaceX breaks ISRO’s Record by launching 143 Satellites in a single mission
- Japan plans to launch world’s first wood-based satellite by 2023 to reduce space debris
- ISRO successfully launches India’s new communication satellite CMS-01 from Sriharikota onboard PSLV-C50
- BSNL launches World’s First Satellite-based Narrowband-IoT Network
Space-tech start-up ‘Pixxel’ to launch remote-sensing satellite on ISRO rocket in early 2021

India becomes 4th nation to have navigation satellite system as IRNSS Gets IMO Recognition

NASA-ESA successfully launches Sentinel-6 Michael Freilich satellite to monitor global sea levels

China successfully sends world’s first 6G communications test satellite into orbit

ISRO Launches Earth Observation Satellite (EOS-01) and 9 Foreign Satellites from Sriharikota

ICICI Bank becomes first bank in India to use satellite data to assess credit worthiness of farmers

Q. The Civil Accounts Day is observed on March 01 every year. In 2021, which edition of the day was observed?

A) 45th
B) 43rd
C) 47th
D) 41st

Answer: A

The Indian Civil Accounts Service (ICAS) observes the “Civil Accounts Day” every year on March 01, 2021, since its inception in 1976. The year 2021 marks the 45th Civil Accounts Day celebrations.

Q. The CERAWeek Global Energy and Environment Leadership Award is slated to be presented to which Indian at the CERAWeek Conference-2021

A) Piyush Goyal
B) Narendra Modi
C) Prakash Javadekar
D) M. Venkaiah Naidu

Answer: B

Q. The Saras Aajeevika Mela 2021 has been organised in which city?

A) Pune
B) Hyderabad
C) Noida D) Chennai

Answer: C

➢ The Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Rural Development, Panchayati Raj and Food Processing Shri Narendra Singh Tomar inaugurated Saras Aajeevika Mela 2021 at Noida Haat on February 26, 2021. It has been organised by the Ministry of Rural Development, under Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM).

Q. The Land Ports Authority of India (LPAI) celebrated its 9th Foundation Day on 01 March 2021. LPAI comes under which ministry?

A) Ministry of Home Affairs C) Ministry of Civil Aviation
B) Ministry of Road Transport and Highways D) Ministry of Defence

Answer: A

➢ LPAI is a statutory body under the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India.

Quick Recap: Recently DRDO Celebrates 63rd Foundation Day On 1st January 2021

About Land Ports Authority of India

▪ Land Ports Authority of India Chairman: Aditya Mishra.
▪ Land Ports Authority of India Founded: 1 March 2012.
▪ Land Ports Authority of India Parent organization: Ministry of Home Affairs.
▪ Land Ports Authority of India Headquarters: New Delhi.

Q. The 39th edition of the 14-day Agartala International Book Fair has started. Name the foreign country which has set up its stall at the book fair?

A) Maldives C) Nepal
B) Sri Lanka D) Bangladesh

Answer: D
The 39th edition of Agartala International Book Fair was inaugurated on February 26, 2021 by Tripura Chief Minister Biplab Kumar Deb, at the Hapania International Fair ground. Altogether 162 stalls have been set up, including one from Bangladesh.

**BANGLADESH IN NEWS 2021**

- UN Body Recommends Bangladesh Graduation From LDC
- ‘Pahela Phagun’ Spring Festival Celebrated In Bangladesh
- 14th International Children's Film Festival Concludes In Bangladesh
- Bangladesh Declared As ‘Country In Focus’ For 51st IFFI
- Bangladesh Signs Maiden Preferential Trade Agreement (PTA)
- Bangladesh And US Launch Joint Naval Exercise CARAT Bangladesh 2020

**About Bangladesh**

- Capital : Dhaka
- Currency : Taka
- President : Abdul Hamid
- Prime Minister : Sheikh Hasina

Q. Ajendra Bahadur Singh has been appointed as the Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief (FOC-in-C) of which command of Indian Navy?

A) Western Naval Command  
B) Eastern Naval Command  
C) Southern Naval Command  
D) Andaman and Nicobar Command

**Answer: B**

- *Vice Admiral Ajendra Bahadur Singh took over as the Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief (FOC-in-C) of Eastern Naval Command (ENC) on 01 March 2021. He replaces Vice Admiral Atul Kumar Jain.*

**Appointment in NEWS 2021**

- Former Union Minister **Vijay Sampla** takes charge as Chairman of National Commission for Scheduled Castes
- Ajai Malhotra becomes first Indian Chairperson of the Advisory Committee of the UN Human Rights Council
- Indian-origin Preeti Sinha to lead United Nations Capital Development Fund
- President Ramnath Kovind appoints Justice Puligoru Venkata Sanjay Kumar as the Chief Justice of Manipur High Court
- Dr Ajay Mathur elected new Director Genera of International Solar Alliance
- Tata Motors appoints Marc Llistosella as new CEO & MD
- Satishwar Balakrishnan appointed as Aegon Life’s MD & CEO
- Anish Shah appoint as new chairman of Mahindra Finance

About Eastern Naval Command

- Eastern Naval Command Headquarter: Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.

Q. The Hero Indian Women’s League (IWL) 2020-21 edition will be the 5th edition of the top division women’s league in India. Which state will host the event?

A) Tamil Nadu  
B) Andhra Pradesh  
C) Karnataka  
D) Odisha

Answer: D

- Odisha has been chosen as the host for the forthcoming Hero Indian Women’s League (IWL) 2020-21 edition, by the All India Football Federation (AIFF).

About Odisha

- Chief Minister of Odisha: Naveen Patnaik.
- Odisha Capital: Bhubaneswar.
- Odisha Governor: Ganeshi Lal.
- Airports in Orissa: Biju Patnaik International Airport, Jharsuguda Airport, Rourkela Airport, Jeypore Airport and Savitri Jindal Airport.

Q. The Global Bio-India-2021 was inaugurated by Harsh Vardhan in New Delhi. The event is which edition of the conference?
A) Third
B) First
C) Second
D) Fourth

Answer: C

➢ The Union Minister for Science & Technology, Earth Sciences and Health & Family Welfare Dr. Harsh Vardhan inaugurated the second edition of Global Bio-India-2021 in New Delhi through virtual mode.

Q. Who is the author of the book “Advantage India: The Story of Indian Tennis”?

A) Kodi Ravichandran  C) Larry Sabato
B) Anindya Dutta  D) Sankaran Venkataraman

Answer: B

➢ The banker-turned-author Anindya Dutta has come out with his new book titled “Advantage India: The Story of Indian Tennis”, which is about the history of Indian tennis.

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Q. Which ministry is responsible to organise the Saras Aajeevika Mela?

A) Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports  
B) Ministry of Rural Development  
C) Ministry of Women and Child Development  
D) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment

Answer: B

➢ *It has been organised by the Ministry of Rural Development, under Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM).*

Q. Name the newly appointed Vice Chief of Integrated Defence Staff to the Chairman Chiefs of Staff Committee (CISC)

A) Atul Kumar Jain  
B) Ajit Kumar P  
C) Arun Prakash  
D) Anil Kumar Chawla

Answer: A

Q. What is the theme of Zero Discrimination Day 2021?

A) Act to change laws that Discriminate  
B) Zero Discrimination against Women & Girls  
C) End Inequalities  
D) A society free of discrimination

Answer: C

➢ *Theme of Zero Discrimination Day 2021: “End Inequalities”*
Q. In which state is the “Hirakud Dam” situated?
A) Punjab  C) Assam
B) Odisha  D) West Bengal
Answer: B

Q. “Kannur International Airport” is located in which state of India?
A) Kerala  C) Telangana
B) Tamil Nadu  D) Andhra Pradesh
Answer: A

Q. Where in India is the “Mollem National Park” situated?
A) Jammu & Kashmir  C) Sikkim
B) Goa  D) Karnataka
Answer: B

Q. “Sipat Thermal Power Plant” is situated in which part of India?
A) Haryana  C) Jharkhand
B) Madhya Pradesh  D) Chhattisgarh
Answer: D

Q. In which state is the “Kakrapar Atomic Power Station” located?
A) Bihar  C) Gujarat
B) Maharashtra  D) Tamil Nadu
Answer: C
Q. Where is the HQ of CSIR-Central Mechanical Engineering Research Institute situated?

A) Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh  
B) Durgapur, West Bengal  
C) Hyderabad, Telangana  
D) Mangalore, Karnataka

Answer: B

Q. Lakhwar Dam is located in which state?

A) Chhattisgarh  
B) Rajasthan  
C) Goa  
D) Uttarakhand

Answer: D

Q. What is the capital of Seychelles?

A) Victoria  
B) Lusaka  
C) Port Louis  
D) Jamaica

Answer: A

Q. Shirui Lily Festival is organized in which state?

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

Answer: B

Q. Where is the HQ of Bandhan Bank situated?

A) Chennai  
B) Thrissur  
C) Kolkata  
D) Mumba

Answer: C
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