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Q. Bohag Bihu Bird count has begun in which of the following state?

A) Assam  
B) Tripura  
C) Madhya Pradesh  
D) Karnataka

Answer - A

- Bohag Bihu is also called Xaat Bihu. It is the traditional ethnic festival celebrated in Assam. It marks the beginning of Assamese new year. Bohag is Assamese calendar.
- The onset of Bohag marks the starting of Rongali Bihu. Rongali Bihu is one of the three most important festivals of Assam. The other two festivals are Kati Bihu and Kongali Bihu.

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Assam in News:

- India and AIIB signs $304 million pact for improving power transmission network in Assam
- Prime Minister Modi inaugurates Oil & Gas projects and Engineering Colleges in Assam
- Assam CM Sarbananda Sonowal Lays Foundation of Eastern India's First Skill University in Darrang district
- PM Modi launches ‘Mahabahu-Brahmaputra’ initiative and lays foundation stone of two bridges in Assam
- PM lays Foundation Stone of two Hospitals and launches ‘Asom Mala’ programme in Assam
- ADB & India sign $231 million loan to enhance power generation capacity in Assam

About Assam:

- Capital: Dispur
- Largest city: Guwahati
- Districts: 33
- Dance: Bihu dance
- Bird: White-winged wood duck
- Flower: Rhynchostylis retusa
- Tree: Dipterocarpus macrocarpus
- River: Brahmaputra

Q. What was the theme for the 6th Edition of Raisina Dialogue inaugurated by PM Modi?

A) Navigating the Alpha Century  B) Viral World: Outbreaks, Outliers and Out of Control
C) A World Reorder: New Geometries; D) Asia: Regional and Global Connectivity
Fluid Partnerships; Uncertain Outcomes

Answer - B

Q. India’s 1st Floating LNG Storage and Regasification Unit has arrived in which of the following state?

A) Gujarat  C) Madhya Pradesh
B) West Bengal  D) Maharashtra

Answer - D

- India’s first Floating Storage and Regasification Unit (FSRU) has arrived at H-Energy’s Jaigarh Terminal in Maharashtra.
- FSRU based LNG Terminals aim at providing the ability to enhance the pace of natural gas import capability in an environment-friendly and efficient manner”. The port is the first deepwater, 24×7 operational private port in Maharashtra.

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Maharashtra's first ‘child-friendly police station’ has been inaugurated in pune

Lonar Lake in Maharashtra selected under ‘Ramsar site’

RBI cancels licence of Maharashtra-based Karad Janata Sahakari Bank

Asia’s first solar power-enabled Textile Mill to be unveiled in Parbhani district of Maharashtra

Maharashtra Governor, Bhagat Singh Koshyari has released the book ‘Majhi Bhint’ (My Wall) authored by Rajendra Darda

Usha Mangeshkar Honored with Gan Samragni Lata Mangeshkar award for 2020-21 by Maharashtra Govt

Maharashtra launches largest plasma therapy trial “Project Platina”

ADB and India inks USD 177 million loan for Maharashtra

Maharashtra Govt launches ‘My Family, My Responsibility’ campaign

Maharashtra partners with Google to deploy learning tools for online education

Bharat Air Fibre Services inaugurated in Maharashtra

Maharashtra government launches “Maha” Job portal

Maharashtra Govt introduced “Maha Parwana” plan to boost investment

Flood warning system “iFLOWS” launched in Mumbai Maharashtra

About Maharashtra:

- Chief Minister- Uddhav Thackeray
- Governor- Bhagat Singh Koshyari
- Capital City- Mumbai
- State Animal- Indian giant squirrel
- State Bird- Yellow-footed green pigeon
- State Tree- Mangifera indica
- State Flower- Pride of India

Q. Which Ministry has launched “Aahaar Kranti” Mission?

A) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
B) Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food, and Public Distribution
C) Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
D) Ministry of Commerce and Industry
Q. Guillermo Lasso has been elected as the president of which of the following country?

A) Chad  
B) Ecuador  
C) Mauritania  
D) Burkina Faso

**Answer - B**

**List of Newly Elected President in NEWS**

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Q. Who has been appointed as the new Director-General of National Anti-Doping Agency?

A) Sudhir Shrivastava  
B) GP Samanta  
C) Siddharth Longjam  
D) Venu Srinivasan

Answer - C

Q. I.A. Rehman passed away recently. He was a/an ____________

A) Environmentalist  
B) Folk Singer  
C) Social Activist  
D) Human Rights Activist

Answer - D

Q. India has formally approved the third Covid-19 vaccine for use in the country recently. Then which of these vaccines is not permitted in India?

A) Covaxin  
B) Sputnik V  
C) Covishield  
D) Sinovac

Answer - D

- Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI) has approved Russian Covid-19 vaccine “Sputnik V” for use in the country under ‘restricted use in emergency situations’.
- Sputnik V will be the third Covid-19 vaccine in India. Besides this, the other two vaccines approved in India are Covishield and Covaxin, manufactured by Bharat Biotech International Limited (BBIL).

Q. In India, 14th April is observed as the anniversary of which Indian leader?

A) Bhim Rao Ambedkar  
B) Rajiv Gandhi
Ambedkar Jayanti (also known as Bhim Jayanti) is an annual festival observed on 14 April to commemorate the birth anniversary of Babasaheb Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar who was born on 14 April 1891.

In 2021, we are marking the 130th birth anniversary of Babasaheb.

Q. Name the first-ever mobile app launched by the Government of India to enable learning Sanskrit in easy way?

A) My Mentor  
B) Maharishi  
C) Little Guru  
D) Sanskrit Baba

Answer - C

- The Government of India has launched a mobile application called “Little Guru” to enable the user learn Sanskrit, the ancient language of the country, often called the ‘Language of the Gods’.
- The app Little Guru has been developed by the Indian council for cultural relations (ICCR) and produced by Bengaluru-based Gamapp SportsWizz. It is available on Google Play Store.

About Bangladesh:

- Prime Minister of Bangladesh: Sheikh Hasina; Capital: Dhaka; Currency: Taka.
- President of Bangladesh: Abdul Hamid.

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- NPCI launches UPI-Help on BHIM app for Grievance Redressal
- Government Launches ‘MERA RATION’ App to help ONORC scheme beneficiaries
- Thaawarchand Gehlot Launches “Sugamya Bharat App”
- Chandigarh launches ‘Carbon Watch’, India’s first app to assess one’s carbon footprint
- Indian Railways reactivates ‘UTS ON MOBILE App’ facility
- ‘Snakepedia’ mobile app launched in Kerala to help treat snake bites
- Centre Launches new Instant Messaging platform ‘Sandes’, on lines of WhatsApp
- Bharti AXA General Insurance launches ‘Krishi Sakha’ App for farmers
- Airtel Payments Bank launches ‘Airtel Safe Pay’
- ICICI Bank launches ‘InstaFX’ mobile app to help customers obtain Forex Prepaid Card swiftly
- J&K LG, Manoj Sinha launches Mobile Application ‘Satark Nagrik’ and Departmental Vigilance Officers Portal
- Housing & Urban Affairs Ministry launches ‘E-Sampada’ mobile app and portal for management of all GoI Estate services
- Punjab Government launches mobile app and web portal ‘PR Insight’

Q. Who has been appointed as the Deputy Lokayukta of Uttar Pradesh?

   A. Kundan Verma  
   B. Surendra Yadav  
   C. Krishna Mishra  
   D. Rishikesh Sinha

Answer: B

- Surendra Yadav has been appointed as the Deputy Lokayukta of Uttar Pradesh. He is a retired judge and will assume the post for a period of 6 years.

Q. The ‘Lost Golden City of Luxor’ has been discovered by the archeologists in ____.

   A. Egypt  
   B. India  
   C. Maldives  
   D. China

Answer: A
The ‘Lost Golden City of Luxor’ has been discovered by the archeologists in Egypt. The 3400 year old city containing many preserved remains was built by Amenhotep III.

About Egypt

- Egypt President: Abdel Fattah El-Sissi.
- Egypt Currency: Egyptian pound;
- Egypt Capital: Cairo.

Q. DRDO has opened up the production of _____ for the private sector.

A. Satellites
B. Vessels
C. Aircrafts
D. Missiles

Answer: D

Defense Research and Development Organization (DRDO) has opened up the production of missiles for the private sector. The Indian private manufacturers of missiles will be invited for producing missiles under the Development cum Production Partner (DCPP) programme of DRDO.

DRDO in NEWS 2021

- DRDO Develops Advanced Chaff Technology To Safeguard Naval Ships
- Light Weight Bullet Proof Jacket Developed By DRDO Lab
- DRDO successfully flight test SFDR technology
- Raksha Mantri Rajnath Singh inaugurates DRDO Skill Development Centre for Fire Safety Training at Pilkuwa in Uttar Pradesh
- DRDO Conducts Two Successful Launches of VL-SRSAM Missile System
- DRDO Carries successful user trials of indigenously-developed Anti-Tank Guided Missile Systems ‘Helina’ and ‘Dhruvastra’
- DRDO Conducts Successful Maiden Test Launch of Surface-to-Air Akash-NG Missile
- DRDO Successfully Test Flights indigenously developed Smart Anti-Airfield Weapon (SAAW)
- DRDO Develops Special Motor Bike Ambulance ‘Rakshita’ for CRPF
- DRDO Develops India’s first Indigenously-Developed 9mm Machine Pistol ‘Asmi’
- DRDO Celebrates 63rd Foundation Day on 1st January 2021
About DRDO:

- Founded: 1958
- Jurisdiction: India
- Headquarters: DRDO Bhavan, New Delhi
- Annual budget: ₹11,375.50 crore (US$1.6 billion)(2021-22)
- Subsidiary: Gas Turbine Research Establishment
- Aircraft designed: Avatar, DRDO Nishant, DRDO Lakshya

Q. SwitchON has signed an MoU with ____ for financing Solar Pump.

A. SBI  
B. BOI  
C. PNB  
D. SBBJ

Answer: C

SwitchON has signed an MoU with Punjab National Bank (PNB) for financing Solar Pump. The financing of Solar Pump Sets will be done through First Loss Default Guarantee Fund. This will help the unbanked small and marginal farmers by providing collateral free credit for promoting clean energy.

Q. Which company has bagged an order for establishing 1.5 GW Solar Plant in Saudi Arabia?

A. Reliance Infra  
B. L & T Construction  
C. Adani Renewables  
D. Greentech Infra

Answer: B

Larsen and Toubro’s subsidiary, L & T Construction has bagged an order for establishing 1.5 Giga Watt (GW) Solar Plant in Riyadh Province of Saudi Arabia. The project has been named as ‘Sudair Solar Photovoltaic Project’. It will be the largest solar power plant in Saudi Arabia.

Q. Who has been appointed as the Brand Ambassador of SportzXchange?

A. Manish Pandey  
B. Prithvi Shaw
Prithvi Shaw has been appointed as the Brand Ambassador of SportzXchange fantasy sports platform. He will be leading the ‘Yahhaan Hai Kuch Xtra’ campaign of SportzXchange for increasing the reach of fantasy matches in IPL.

Click Here to Check List of Brand Ambassador of India (UPDATED)

### STATIC GK BASED CURRENT AFFAIRS MCQ

**Q. Where in India is the “Bhadra Wildlife Sanctuary” located?**

A) Karnataka  
B) Maharashtra  
C) Uttarakhand  
D) Rajasthan  

Answer - A

**Q. Konar Dam is located in which part of India?**

A) Jammu & Kashmir  
B) Jharkhand  
C) New Delhi  
D) West Bengal  

Answer - B

**Q. “Jindal Mega Power Plant” is situated in which state?**

A) Rajasthan  
B) Madhya Pradesh  
C) Jharkhand  
D) Chhattisgarh  

Answer - D

**Q. When is the “World Art Day” celebrated?**

A) 15th April  
B) 3rd July  
C) 22nd August  
D) 9th April  

Answer - A
Q. “Kumarakom Bird Sanctuary” is located in which state?

A) Maharashtra  
B) Tamil Nadu  
C) Kerala  
D) Odisha  

**Answer - C**

Q. With which sport is the Ramanujan trophy associated?

A) Hockey  
B) Table Tennis  
C) Badminton  
D) Weight Lifting  

**Answer - B**

Q. Bali Yatra is a festival celebrated in which state?

A) Odisha  
B) Andhra Pradesh  
C) Kerala  
D) Assam  

**Answer - A**

Q. In which state is the “Puzhal lake” located?

A) Manipur  
B) Karnataka  
C) Gujarat  
D) Tamil Nadu  

**Answer - D**

Q. Hanoi is the capital of which country?

A) Myanmar  
B) Vietnam  
C) Philippines  
D) Cambodia  

**Answer - B**

Q. Where is the headquarter of United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) located?

A) Bangkok  
B) London  
C) New York  
D) Singapore  

**Answer - A**