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Q. The leading brokerages have downgraded India’s GDP growth projections for the current fiscal year 2021-22. Identify the incorrect growth rate prediction from the options given below:

A) Nomura – 13.5%  
B) JP Morgan – 11%  
C) UBS – 10%  
D) Citi Research – 12%  

Answers - A

Projected India’s GDP in NEWS 2021

- **Nomura** slashes India’s GDP forecast to **12.6%** in FY22
- **IMF** revises GDP growth forecast of India to **12.5% for FY22**
- **World Bank** Raises GDP Growth Projection For India **To 10.1% For FY22**
- **S&P** Raises India’s FY22 GDP Growth Forecast To **11% From 10%**
- **Fitch Ratings** Projects India’s GDP to **12.8% for FY22**
- **UNCTAD** projects India’s GDP to grow **5% in 2021** while Global GDP to **grow 4.7% in 2021**
- **Moody’s projects** India’s GDP to **contract 7% in FY21, expects 13.7% growth in FY22**
- **HSBC** Raises India’s GDP Forecast for **FY22 to 11.2%**
- **SBI** Research revises India’s FY21 GDP estimates to **-7.0 percent**
- India’s GDP to contract **8% in fiscal year 2020-21: FICCI Survey**
- **Nomura** Estimates India’s GDP to contract **6.7% in FY21**
- **BofA Securities** Projects GDP of India to **Contract 6.7% in FY21’**
- **UBS** Projects GDP of India at **-7.5% in 2020-21**
- **ICRA** Projects India’s real GDP to expand by **10.1% in FY22**
- **National Statistical Office (NSO)** Projects India’s GDP to contract **7.7% in FY21**

About Nomura

- CEO: Kentaro Okuda (1 Apr 2020–)
• Headquarters: Tokyo, Japan
• Founder: Tokushichi Nomura II
• Founded: 25 December 1925, Osaka, Osaka, Japan

Q.Ravi Kumar Dahiya has recently won gold for India in which sports event?

A) Boxing  C) Shooting  
B) Weightlifting  D) Wrestling  

Answers - D

➢ India won 14 medals in 2021 Senior Asian Wrestling Championships to stand at third spot in the medal table.
➢ The medals include 5 Gold, 3 Silver & 6 Bronze Medals. Ravi Kumar Dahiya – 57 kg Men’s freestyle gold

Q.RBI has constituted a six-member panel to review the working of Asset Reconstruction Companies (ARCs). Who is the head of this panel?

A) Deepali Pant Joshi  C) Anil Kumar Sharma  
B) Sudarshan Sen  D) Mridul Saggar  

Answers - B

RBI IN NEWS 2021

- Former RBI Governor Maidavolu Narasimham Passes Away
- RBI Sets Up Committee To Review Working Of ARCs
- RBI Approves Re-Appointment Of Murali Natarajan As DCB Bank MD And CEO
- RBI to conduct open market purchase of government securities of ₹1 lakh crore under the G-SAP 1.0 Programme
- RBI Decides To Open Up RTGS, NEFT Facilities For Payment System Operators
- RBI Enhances Loan Limit Under Priority Sector Lending Against ENWR/NWR
- RBI Increases WMA Limits For The State Governments/UTs
- RBI To Release Financial Inclusion Index (FI Index) Annually
- RBI celebrated its 86th Foundation Day on 1 April 2021
- Former RBI Governor Urjit Patel Names as Additional Director of Britannia
- RBI extends deadline for processing auto-debit payments by 6 months till September 30, 2021
- Former RBI Deputy Governor KC Chakrabarty Passes Away
- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) brings State Bank of Sikkim under its regulatory purview
- RBI slaps Rs 2 crore fine on Deutsche Bank for non-compliance
- RBI takes IDBI Bank out of PCA framework
- RBI Imposes Rs 15 Lakh Penalty On Fedbank Financial Services
- RBI constitutes eight-member expert panel for strengthening Urban Co-operative Banks
- RBI has cancelled the licence of Maharashtra-based Vasantdada Nagari Sahakari Bank
- RBI sets up College of Supervisors chaired by N S Viswanathan
- RBI introduces Legal Entity Identifier for NEFT, RTGS transactions above Rs 50 crore
- RBI introduces the RBI-Digital Payments Index. This RBI-Digital Payments Index (DPI) has 5 broad parameters
- RBI Organises Financial Literacy Week from February 8-12, 2021
- RBI keeps repo rate unchanged at 4%
- RBI Retains SBI, ICICI Bank, HDFC Bank as Domestic Systemically Important Banks (D-SIBs)
- RBI officer R. Giridharan authors debut novel 'Right Under our Nose'
- RBI introduces Legal Entity Identifier (LEI) for NEFT, RTGS transactions above Rs 50 crore
- RBI to evaluate impact of ‘RBI Kehta Hai’ campaign in 14 languages
- RBI Cancels Licence Of Kolhapur-Based Shivam Sahakari Bank
- RBI Slaps Penalty Of Rs 2 Crore On Standard Chartered Bank
- RBI Introduces Legal Entity Identifier For NEFT, RTGS Transactions Above Rs 50 Crore
- RBI to launch “Positive Pay System” for Cheque Truncation System
- RBI publishes “‘Technology Vision for Cyber Security’ for UCBs
- RBI announces ‘positive pay’ feature to help avert cheque frauds

About RESERVE BANK OF INDIA (RBI)

- Founded : 1 April 1935
- RBI Nationalised : 1 January 1949
HQ : Mumbai, Maharashtra
1st Governor : Sir Osborne Smith
1st Indian Governor : CD Deshmukh
25th Governor : Shaktikanta Das

RBI Deputy Governor (4)

1. Mukesh Kumar Jain
2. B P Kanungo
3. Michael D Patra
4. M Rajeshwar Rao

Four Subsidiaries of RBI:

1. Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation of India (DICGC)
2. Bharatiya Reserve Bank Note Mudran Private Limited (BRBNMPL)
3. Reserve Bank Information Technology Private Limited (ReBIT)
4. Indian Financial Technology and Allied Services (IFTAS)

Q. Charles Geschke, famously known as Chuck, has passed away at 81. He was the co-founder of which company?

A) Hewlett-Packard  
B) LinkedIn  
C) Adobe  
D) Nvidia

Answers - C

- American computer scientist Charles Geschke, best known as the co-founder of graphics and publishing software company Adobe Inc, has passed away. He was 81.

Q. The World Liver Day is marked every year on ________

A) 19 April  
B) Third Monday of April  
C) 20 April  
D) Third Sunday of April

Answers - A

- The World Liver Day is observed on 19 April annually to spread awareness about causes of liver disease and tips for its prevention so as to take holistic care of liver.
Q. How much amount has been allocated to the Startup India Seed Fund Scheme (SISFS)?

A) Rs. 925 Crore  
B) Rs. 900 Crore  
C) Rs. 945 Crore  
D) Rs. 975 Crore

Answers - C

Latest Schemes in NEWS

- Rajasthan becomes first state to launch “Health Insurance for All” its residents
- Centre launches ‘Gram Ujala Scheme’ to offer LED bulbs at Rs 10/piece in rural areas
- Government announces “All India Tourist Vehicles Authorization and Permit Rules, 2021” to be effective from April 01
- HDFC Bank launches ‘SmartUp Unnati for Women Entrepreneurs
- "Gharoki Pechan, Chelik Naam” Scheme launched in Nainital
- Health Minister Harch Vardhan launches Mission Indradhanush 3.0
- Maharaja Chhatrasal Convention Centre inaugurated at Khajuraho under Swadesh Darshan Scheme
- Jammu And Kashmir Launches Super-75 Scholarship Scheme
- World Bank Plans $100-Mn Guarantee Scheme For Solar Rooftop Projects
- Cabinet Approves PLI Scheme For Telecom Sector Worth Rs 12,195 Crore
- Mamata Banerjee Launches ‘Maa’ Scheme To Provide Meals At Rs 5
- Delhi Cabinet Approves ‘Mukhyamantri Vigyan Pratibha Pariksha’ Scheme
- Federal Bank Launches ‘FedFirst’ Savings Account Scheme For Children
- Kerala Governor Launches ‘One School One IAS’ Scheme
- Tata Power Partners With SIDBI To Offer Easy & Affordable Financing Scheme For MSME

Q. Padma Shri winning 107 year-old Ganjam Venkatasubbiah has passed away. He was a veteran writer as well as lexicographer in which language?

A) Odia  
B) Malayalam
Veteran Kannada writer Ganjam Venkatasubbiah, who also was a grammarian, editor, lexicographer and literary critic, has passed away. He was 107. G. Venkatasubbaiah was commonly known as a walking encyclopedia of Kannada language and culture, in his literary circles.

Q. Which player has won the 2021 Emilia Romagna F1 Grand Prix?

A) Lewis Hamilton
B) Max Verstappen
C) Sebastian Vettel
D) Charles Leclerc

Answers - B

Max Verstappen (Red Bull – Netherlands) won the Emilia Romagna F1 Grand Prix 2021, held on April 18, 2021, in Imola, Italy.

List of Formula One (F1) Grand Prix Winners

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Q. What was the profession of Sumitra Bhave, who has died recently?

A) Filmmaker  
B) Economist
C) Writer

D) Sportswomen

Answers - A

- Acclaimed Marathi filmmaker Sumitra Bhave has passed away suffering from age-related issues. She was 78.
- Sumitra Bhave was popular as duo with filmmaker Sunil Sukthankar in Marathi cinema and Marathi theatre.

Q. Murali M. Natrajan has been re-appointed as the Managing Director & CEO of which bank?

A) Karur Vysya Bank  
B) IndusInd bank  
C) DCB Bank  
D) Axis Bank

Answers - C

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved the re-appointment of Murali M. Natrajan as the Managing Director & CEO of private sector lender, DCB Bank, for further period of one year.

List of New Appointments in India – April 2021

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**About DCB**

- DCB Bank Headquarters: Maharashtra.
- DCB Bank Founded: 1930.
- MD and CEO: Murali Natarajan

**Q.** UN Chinese Language Day is observed annually by the United nations on which day?

A) 18 April  
B) 19 April
C) 21 April D) 20 April

Answers - D

Q. Italy has recently launched its first Mega Food Park in India which state of the country?

A) Himachal Pradesh C) Rajasthan
B) Gujarat D) Tamil Nadu

Answers - B

Park in NEWS

- Italy Launches First Ever Mega Food Park In India at Fanidhar, Gujarat
- Indo-Korean Friendship Park Inaugurated At Delhi Cantonment
- Gender Park’ In Kerala’s Kozhikode
- India’s First ‘Fire Park’ In Bhubaneswar
- India’s First Pollinator Park Opens In Uttarakhand
- Multi-Model Logistics Park In Assam’s Silchar
- Mega Leather Park In Kanpur
- Nehru Zoological Park Hyderabad Gets ISO Certifications
- World’s Largest Renewable Energy Park In Gujarat
- Mega food park at Phagwara in Punjab.
- India’s First ‘Tyre Park’ To Come Up In West Bengal
- Harsimrat Kaur Badal Inaugurates Zoram Mega Food Park In Mizoram

ITALY IN NEWS

- Italy launches first-ever mega food park & food processing unit in India
- Italy signs International Solar Alliance amended Framework Agreement with India
- Mario Draghi Sworn in as Prime Minister of Italy
- Prime Minister of Italy Giuseppe Conte resigns
- Italy’s legendary footballer, Paolo Rossi has passed away
Novak Djokovic (Serbia) wins 2020 Italian Open title

Simona Halep (Romania) win 2020 women's Single Italian Open title

Pierre Gasly wins F1 Italian Grand Prix 2020

15 MoUs/Agreements Signed during India-Italy Virtual Summit 2020

Italy beat Serbia to win the inaugural UEFA eEURO 2020

Napoli beats Juventus in penalty shootout to win its sixth Italian Cup Football title

Italy Will Host The 2026 Olympic And Paralympic Winter Games

Italy will host 2021 G20 Summit

ITALY

- Capital : Rome
- Currency : Euro
- President : Sergio Mattarella
- Prime Minister : Mario Draghi

Q. Recently, the Indian team returned from its scientific endeavour in Antartica on April 10, 2021. The journey was which edition of the Scientific Expedition to Antarctica (ISEA) hosted by the Ministry of Earth Sciences?

A) 40th C) 50th
B) 20th D) 30th

Answers - A

Q. Veteran politician and former Union Minister Bachi Singh Rawat, who has passed away recently was an MP from which state?

A) Himachal Pradesh C) Uttarakhand
B) Rajasthan D) Assam
The senior BJP leader and former Union Minister Bachi Singh Rawat has passed away after he complained of difficulty in breathing.

He was 71. Bachi Singh Rawat was a four-time MP from the Almora-Pithoragarh constituency in Uttarakhand.

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About Uttarakhand:

- Governor: Baby Rani Maurya
- Chief minister: Tirath Singh Rawat

Q. Indian freestyle wrestler Bajrang Punia has won Silver in 2021 Senior Asian Wrestling Championships. He competes in which weight division category?

A) 65 kg  
B) 70 kg  
C) 95 kg  
D) 80 kg

Answers - A

Following are the medal winners from India:

GOLD MEDAL

- Ravi Kumar Dahiya – 57 kg Men’s freestyle
- Vinesh Phogat – 53 kg Women’s freestyle
- Anshu Malik – 57 kg Women’s freestyle
- Sarita Mor – 59 kg Women’s freestyle
- Divya Kakran – 72 kg Women’s freestyle

SILVER MEDAL

- Bajrang Punia – 65 kg Men’s freestyle
- Deepak Punia – 86 kg Men’s freestyle
- Sakshi Malik – 65 kg Women’s freestyle

BRONZE MEDAL

- Karan Mor – 70 kg Men’s freestyle
- Narsingh Yadav – 79 kg Men’s freestyle
- Sanjeet – 92 kg Men’s freestyle
- Satyawart Kadian – 97 kg Men’s freestyle
- Seema Bisla – 50 kg Women’s freestyle
- Pooja Sihag – 76 kg Women’s freestyle

‘BAJRANG PUNIA IN NEWS’

- Bajrang Punia and Vinesh Phogat wins Gold at Matteo Pellicon World Ranking Series in Rome
- Bajrang Punia & Elavenil Valarivan bags FICCI 2020 Sportsperson of the Year awards
- Bajrang Punia : Jhajjar, Haryana
- Vinesh Phogat : Bhiwani district, Haryana

Q. With which country, India has signed an agreement on Technical Cooperation titled ‘Cities combating plastic entering the marine environment’?

A) UK  
B) Japan  
C) Russia  
D) Germany

Answer - D

Memorandum of understanding (MoUs) signed by India 2021

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<td>PMs of both the nations discussed bilateral cooperation and the progress activities in areas of health, trade, connectivity, energy, developmental cooperation and many more.</td>
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CESL signed Pact with CSC SPV
To create demand aggregation for electric mobility, solar, energy efficiency solutions and other initiatives of CESL.

India Australia talks on Disarmament, Non-Proliferation and Export Control
To enhancement in the mutual cooperation of both nations and revealed the appreciation of national perspectives and global development on the disarmament and non-proliferation issues

About Germany
- Capital: Berlin
- Currency: Euro
- President: Frank-Walter Steinmeier
- Chancellor: Angela Merkel

Q. Who is the author of the new children’s book “The Christmas Pig” which is going to release in October?

A) Roald Dahl  
B) Ruskin Bond  
C) George Orwell  
D) JK Rowling

Answer-D

JK Rowling has a new book coming this autumn, a festive children’s story with all new characters. Publisher Scholastic announced on 16th April that The Christmas Pig, the story of a boy named Jack and his beloved toy that goes missing, will be released worldwide on October 12.

Q. World Liver day is observed on __________ every year.

A) 16 April  
B) 17 April  
C) 18 April  
D) 19 April
Answer - D

Q. Which state has released the first tranche of Rs 672 crores under the Jagananna Vidya Deevena Scheme?

A) Karnataka   C) Odisha
B) Telangana   D) Andhra Pradesh

Answer - D

Andhra Pradesh in News 2021:

- Andhra Pradesh Governor Biswabhusan Harichandan Receives Kalinga Ratna Samman
- Andhra Pradesh to Launch India’s first Govt-run Ambulance Network For Animals
- Vice President Venkaiah Naidu Releases ‘Maverick Messiah’, the Biography of former Andhra Pradesh CM ‘NTR’
- Andhra Pradesh CM launches ‘YSR BIMA’ insurance scheme for BPL families
- India and NDB signs USD 646 million loan agreement to upgrade road network in Andhra Pradesh

About Andhra Pradesh:

- Governor: Biswabhusan Harichandan
- Chief minister: YS Jagan Mohan Reddy
- Population: 4.97 crores
- Capitals: Hyderabad, Visakhapatnam, Amaravati, Kurnool
- Points of interest: Sri Venkateswara Swamy Vaari Temple

Q. Who among the following has been elected as the President of Cuba?

A) Raúl Castro   C) Manuel Marrero Cruz
B) Miguel Díaz-Canel   D) Salvador Valdés Mesa

Answer- B

Q. What is the rank of India in Reporters Without Borders’ World Press Freedom Index 2021?
A) 139
B) 140
C) 142
D) 144

Answer - C

- The Reporters Without Borders, a not-for-profit body recently published the World Press Freedom Index, 2021. It ranked 180 countries. India ranked 142 in the index. India was at the same position in 2020 as well.
- Norway topped the index followed by Finland and Denmark. The index was topped by Norway in 2020 as well.

Most Important Ranking and INDEX April 2021

World Press Freedom Index 2021

- Published by the international journalism not-for-profit body, “Reporters Without Borders (RSF)
- Rank 1: Norway
- Rank 2: Finland
- Rank 3: Denmark
- Rank 177: China
- Rank 179: North Korea
- Rank 180: Eritrea
- India has been placed at 142nd position

Henley Passport Index 2021

- Rank 1: Japan
- Rank 2: Singapore
- Rank 3: Germany, South Korea
- Rank 4: Finland, Italy, Luxembourg, Spain
- Rank 5: Austria, Denmark
- Rank 107: Pakistan
- Rank 110: Afghanistan (Bottom)
• India 84th

Inclusive Internet Index 2021
- Released by: The Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU), in partnership with Facebook
- Top: Sweden
- INDIA: 49th

Gender Gap index 2021
- Released By: World Economic Forum (WEF)
- TOP: Iceland
- INDIA: 140th
- Bottom: Afghanistan

2020 Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU)
- Released by Shanghai Ranking Consultancy.

Best Institute Ranking Index
- Rank 1: Harvard University
- Rank 2: Stanford University
- Rank 3: University of Cambridge

Regional Best Institute Ranking Index
- Rank 1: IISc Bangalore
- Category 2-4: IIT Madras
- Category 2-4: University of Calcutta

Forbes’ annual world's billionaires list
- Edition: 35th
- Top: Jeff Bezos
- INDIA: Mukesh Ambani (Rank 10th)

International Intellectual Property (IP) Index 2021
Q. Who has won the Monte Carlo Masters 2021 Tennis Title?

A) Novak Djokovic  
B) Rafael Nadal  
C) Roger Federer  
D) Stefanos Tsitsipas

Answer – D

Stefanos Tsitsipas has won his first ATP Masters 1000 series after a flawless performance against Andrey Rublev in Monte Carlo.

Q. Centre has cleared how much advance payment to Serum Institute and Bharat Biotech without bank guarantee?

A) Rs 3000 crore  
B) Rs 5000 crore  
C) Rs 4500 crore  
D) Rs 2800 crore

Answer - C

The Union Government has reportedly decided to offer an advance payment of over Rs 4,500 crore to the Serum Institute of India (SII) and Bharat Biotech to secure future supplies of Covid-19 vaccines.

Q. Which nation has added India to its travel 'red list'?

A) UK  
B) Japan  
C) France  
D) Australia

Answer - A

The United Kingdom has added India to its travel "red list" on a precautionary basis. This came after the nation reported 103 cases of a coronavirus variant that was first
India’s Mirabai Chanu has created a new Clean and Jerk world record in weightlifting.

A. Mirabai Chanu  
B. Manu Bhaker  
C. Poonam Sharma  
D. Anshu Malik

Answer - A

- India’s Mirabai Chanu has created a new Clean and Jerk world record in weightlifting at the Asian Weightlifting Championships. The 26 year old Indian weightlifter lifted 119 kgs for setting the world record.

INS Sarvekshak conducted hydrographic surveys in Mauritius.

A. Viraat  
B. Sanrakshak  
C. Sarvekshak  
D. Prakshepak

Answer - C

- INS Sarvekshak conducted hydrographic surveys in Mauritius. INS Sarvekshak is a hydrographic survey ship of the Indian Navy. The hydrographic surveys included deep sea surveys near the coast of Port Louis of Mauritius.

Who has been appointed as the Head of Global Public Policy of Mastercard?

A. Anand Kautilya  
B. Kamlesh Sharma  
C. Mukesh Bhagat  
D. Richard Verma

Answer - D

- Richard Verma has been appointed as the Head of the Global Public Policy of Mastercard. He has served as the US Ambassador to India. He is the 1st Indian American to hold such post in Mastercard.

Who inaugurated the 6th Raisina Dialogue 2021?

A. Ram Nath Kovind  
B. Venkaiah Naidu
C. Narendra Modi

Answer C

- The 6th Raisina Dialogue 2021 was inaugurated by PM Narendra Modi. It is an annual global conference on geopolitics and geoeconomics hosted by India. The theme of the 6th Raisina Dialogue was ‘Viral world: Outbreaks, Outliers and Out of Control’.

Q.______ will set up oxygen plants in Gujarat.

A. NFL  C. UCIL
B. IFFCO  D. KRIBHCO

Answer - B

- Indian Farmers Fertilizers Cooperative Limited (IFFCO) will set up 4 oxygen plants in Gujarat. IFFCO will invest INR 30 crores for the establishment of the oxygen plants to reduce the scarcity of oxygen in the hospitals.

**STATIC GK BASED CURRENT AFFAIRS MCQ**

Q. The Rovers Cup is related to which sports?

A) Football  B) Brussels, Belgium
B) Tennis  C) Amman, Jordan
C) Polo  D) Geneva, Switzerland

Answers -D

Q. Where is the headquarter of International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) located?

A) Beijing, China  B) Geneva, Switzerland
C) Paris, France  D) Washington, D.C., United States

Answers -A

Q. Where is the “World Intellectual Property Organization” (WIPO) headquartered?

A) Paris, France
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Q. The “Shaheed Veer Narayan Singh International Cricket Stadium” is located in which state?

A) Uttarakhand
B) Gujarat
C) Chhattisgarh
D) Punjab

Answers - C

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