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Q. What is the rank of India in the SIPRI Military Expenditure Database for the year 2020?

A) Tenth  
B) Sixth  
C) Fourth  
D) Third

Answer - D

- India has retained its position as the third biggest military spender in the world in 2020, according to new data titled ‘SIPRI Military Expenditure Database’ published by the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) on April 26, 2021.

About SIPRI

- SIPRI Headquarters: Oslo, Norway.
- SIPRI Director: Dan Smith.

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Smart City Index 2020 | Institute for Management Development | Hyderabad, 85th Position | Singapore

Human Capital Index 2020 | World Bank | 116th | Singapore

Global Economic Freedom Index 2020 | Canada’s Fraser Institute | 105th | Hong Kong

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Q. The Shivalik Small Finance Bank Limited has received the licence under which Section of the RBI Act to begin operating as SFB?

A) Section 22 (1)
B) Section 21 (1)
C) Section 25 (1)
D) Section 20 (1)

Answer - A

➢ The UP-based Shivalik Small Finance Bank Limited commenced operations as a Small Finance Bank (SFB) with effect from April 26, 2021. The bank has received the licence from RBI under Section 22 (1) of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 to carry on the business of small finance bank in India.

About Shivalik Mercantile Co-operative Bank (SMCB)

➢ MD and CEO: Suveer Kumar Gupta.

Q. The Workers’ Memorial Day is celebrated on _______

A) 27 April
B) 26 April
C) 28 April  
D) 25 April

**Answer - C**

- The Workers’ Memorial Day, also known as International Commemoration Day for Dead and Injured Workers occurs every year on 28 April.

**Q. The ILO observes the World Day for Safety and Health at Work on which day?**

- A) 25 April
- B) 26 April
- C) 27 April
- D) 28 April

**Answer - D**

- The World Day for Safety and Health at Work is observed annually on 28 April to raise awareness for promoting safe, healthy and decent work.

**Important Days & Dates in April 2021**

- 1 April – Orissa Day, Prevention of Blindness week
- 4 April – International Day for Mine Awareness
- 5 April – National Maritime Day
- 6 April – International Day of Sport for Development and Peace
- 7 April – World Health Day (On this very day in the year 1948, WHO was formed, however, the first World Health Day was observed in the year 1950)
- 10 April – World Homeopathy Day
- 11 April – National Safe Motherhood Day, National Pet Day
- 12 April – Equal Pay Day
- 13 April – Jallianwala Bagh Massacre Day (1919)
- 14 April – B.R. Ambedkar Remembrance Day
- 17 April – World Hemophilia Day
- 18 April – World Heritage Day
- 21 April – National Civil Service Day, Secretaries’ Day
- 22 April – World Earth Day
Q. Dadudan Pratapdan Gadhvi who has passed away was a renowned poet and singer of which language?

A) Bengali
B) Gujarati
C) Urdu
D) Hindi

Answer - B

> Veteran Gujarati poet and folk singer Dadudan Pratapdan Gadhvi has passed away. He was 80 years old.

Q. Which country has topped the SIPRI Military Expenditure Database ranking for the year 2020?

A) United Kingdom
B) China
C) United States
D) Russia

Answer - C

> As per the new report, the top five biggest spenders in 2020 were the United States ($778 billion), China ($252 billion), India ($72.9 billion), Russia ($61.7 billion) and the United Kingdom ($59.2 billion) respectively.

Q. Name the author of the novel “Whereabouts”?

A) Jhumpa Lahiri
B) Ruskin Bond
C) Salman Rushdie
D) Amitav Ghosh
Answer - A

- Renowned American author Jhumpa Lahiri has launched her new novel titled “Whereabouts”. The book is an English translation of Italian novel ‘Ias Dove Mi Trovo’ which was written by the author Jhumpa Lahiri itself and published in 2018.

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**Q. What is the theme of the 2021 World Day for Safety and Health at Work?**

A) Health and Safety is a fundamental workers’ right  
B) Prevent coronavirus with safe habits  
C) Stop the pandemic: Safety and health at work can save lives
D) Anticipate, prepare and respond to crises – Invest Now in Resilient Occupational Safety and Health Systems

Answer - D

➢ The theme for 2021 is “Anticipate, prepare and respond to crises – Invest Now in Resilient Occupational Safety and Health Systems”.

Q. Asian Development Bank (ADB) has projected India’s GDP to grow at _____ for FY22.

A) 9%  B) 10%  C) 11%  D) 13%

Answer - C

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- ADB And India Sign $300 Million Loan To Upgrade Power Projects In UP
- GoI And ADB Sign 4.21 Million Dollar PRF Facility For Tripura
- ADB Launches $9 Bn “APVAX” For Developing Countries

About ADB (Asian Development Bank)

- Headquarters: Mandaluyong, Philippines
- President: Masatsugu Asakawa
- Founded: 19 December 1966
- Purpose: Economic development
- Membership: 68 countries
Q. Who has been appointed as the brand ambassador of ASICS?

A) Ravichandran Ashwin  
B) Virat Kohli  
C) Rohit Sharma  
D) Ravindra Jadeja

Answer - D

- Japanese Sportswear brand ASICS on 27th April announced that it has appointed Ravindra Jadeja, the all-rounder of the Indian cricket team and Chennai Super Kings as its brand ambassador.
- ASICS has been working with young and fresh athletic talent across various genres of sports. In India, ASICS is promoted by actor Tiger Shroff. In Asia, ASICS currently has over 55 stores across India, Sri Lanka and Bhutan.

Q. Who has been appointed as a Director on the Central Board of Reserve Bank of India?

A) Ajay Seth  
B) Shashank Bhide  
C) Ashima Goyal  
D) Jayant R Varma

Answer - A

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Q. Who has been appointed as the Acting Chief Justice of Calcutta High Court?

A) Sanjib Banerjee  
B) Hima Kohli
C) S Muralidhar

D) Rajesh Bindal

Answer - D

Q. Which of the following company has figured in Time Magazine’s first-ever list of 100 most influential companies?

A) Jio Platforms
B) Byju’s
C) Tata Consultancy Services
D) Flipkart
E) Both a & b

Answer - E

- Two Indian firms, Reliance Industries’ technology arm Jio Platforms and e-learning startup Byju’s have figured in the Time Magazine’s first-ever list of 100 most influential companies.

Q. What was the rank of India in Chandler Good Government Index 2021?

A) 23rd
B) 32nd
C) 45th
D) 49th

Answer - D

- Chandler Good Government Index: India Rank 49th, Finland tops. The Chandler Good Governance Index is released by the Chandler Institute of Governance headquartered in Singapore. Finland topped the ranking following Switzerland, Singapore, Netherlands, Denmark and Norway.

Q. Which country has topped the Chandler Good Government Index 2021?

A) Sweden
B) Norway
C) Finland
D) Switzerland

Answer - C
Index

- Rank 1: Finland
- Rank 2: Switzerland
- Rank 3: Singapore
- Rank 4: Netherlands
- Rank 5: Demark

Q. What is the rank of India among the biggest military spenders in the world according to a Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) report 2020?

A) 1st  
B) 2nd  
C) 3rd  
D) 4th

Answer - C

Q. Which country is the world’s biggest military spender in 2020 according to a report of Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI)?

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

Answer - D

- India was the world’s third-biggest military spender in 2020, exceeded only by the US and China, reports the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI)

Q. World Day for Safety and Health at Work is observed globally on ________ every year.

A) 25 April  
B) 26 April  
C) 27 April  
D) 28 April

Answer - D
Q. What was the theme for World Day for Safety and Health at Work 2021?

A) Stop the pandemic: Safety and health at work can save lives  
B) Safety and Health and the Future of Work  
C) Anticipate, prepare and respond to crises – Invest Now in Resilient Occupational Safety and Health Systems  
D) OSH vulnerability of young workers

**Answer – C**

Q. On which date, Workers’ Memorial Day is observed?

A) 26 April  
B) 27 April  
C) 28 April  
D) 29 April

**Answer - C**

Q. What was the theme for Workers’ Memorial Day 2021?

A) Death on the Job: The Toll of Neglect  
B) Taking control – removing dangerous substances from the workplace  
C) Unionised workplaces are safer workplaces  
D) Health and Safety is a fundamental workers’ right

**Answer - D**

Q. Who among the following has successfully tested Python 5 Air to Air Missile?

A) Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)  
B) Defence Research and Development Laboratory (DRDL)  
C) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)  
D) Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)

**Answer – D**

**DRDO in NEWS 2021**

- DRDO Develops Supplemental Oxygen Delivery System For Soldiers
• 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 Pilkhuwa 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

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• Annual budget: ₹11,375.50 crore (US$1.6 billion)(2021-22)
• Subsidiary: Gas Turbine Research Establishment
• Aircraft designed: Avatar, DRDO Nishant, DRDO Lakshya

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Q. Which of these days is observed on April 29 every year?

A) World Haemophilia Day
B) World Malaria Day
C) International Dance Day
D) World Book Day

Answer - C
Q. The headquarter of which of these sports federation is based at Munich, Germany?

A) International Hockey Federation
B) International Shooting Sport Federation
C) World Athletics
D) FIFA

Answer - B

Q. The World Bank produces which of these reports annually?

A) Global Innovation Index
B) World Competitiveness Index
C) Global Corruption Index
D) Ease of Doing Business Index

Answer - D

Q. Domni, Dhunachi and Jhumair are some the Indian folk dance form from which state?

A) Uttarakhand
B) Haryana
C) West Bengal
D) Goa

Answer - C

Q. World Customs Organization is based in which place?

A) Geneva, Switzerland
B) Brussels, Belgium
C) Dubai, United Arab Emirates
D) Copenhagen, Denmark

Answer - B

Q. Canberra is the capital country?

A) Australia
B) New Zealand
C) Singapore
D) Germany

Answer - A

Q. The Pasighat Airport is located in which state of India?

A) Bihar
B) Andaman & Nicobar Island
C) Kerala
D) Arunachal Pradesh

Answer - D
Q. Where is the Kudremukh National Park located?
A) Karnataka
B) Tamil Nadu
C) Gujarat
D) Uttarakhand

Answer - A

Q. Sasan Ultra Mega Power Plant is in which state?
A) Delhi
B) Maharashtra
C) Madhya Pradesh
D) Tamil Nadu

Answer - C

Q. M. A. Chidambaram Stadium is situated in which city?
A) Mumbai
B) Chennai
C) Hyderabad
D) Pune

Answer - B

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