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Q. Hemis Festival is celebrated in __________ annually.

A) Ladakh
B) Manipur
C) Daman & Diu
D) Jammu & Kashmir

Answer - A

- Hemis Festival in Ladakh is celebrated annually on the 10th day of the Tse-Chu, Lunar month of the Tibetan Calendar. The 2-day fiesta marks the birth anniversary of Guru Padmasambhava. On this day, Hemis Monastery is adorned beautifully to host the ceremony.

### Latest Festival In News 2021

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Q. NCAER has projected that Indian economy to grow __________ in current financial year.

A) 5.9-8.2%  
B) 6.5-7.0%  
C) 7.0-9.5%  
D) 8.4-10.1%

Answer - D

Economic think-tank NCAER expects the Indian economy to grow 8.4-10.1 per cent for the current financial year as against a contraction of 7.3 per cent in the last fiscal.

About NCAER

• NCAER Headquarters: New Delhi.  
• NCAER Founded: 1956.

Q. Who has been given the additional charge as Chairman of National Dairy Development Board (NDDB)?

A) Amit Banerjee  
B) Meenesh Shah
C) Vijay Goel

D) Arun Kumar Singh

Answer - B

Q. Name the Attorney General of India who has been given extended tenure for one more year.

A) K K Venugopal

B) Govinda Rajulu Chintala

C) BSV Prakash Kumar

D) Ajit Kumar Mohanty

Answer - A

List of Chiefs and DGS

- **NIA**: Kuldiep Singh (Additional Charge)
- **ITBP**: SS Deswal
- **NSG**: M. A. Ganapathy
- **NDRF**: SN Pradhan
- **RAW**: Samant Goel

Q. Who has been appointed as the Head of Payments of WhatsApp in India?

A) Sudarshan Sen

B) Murali Natarajan

C) Rajesh Bindal

D) Manesh Mahatme

Answer - D

**WhatsApp in NEWS**

- NSDC And WhatsApp Launch “Digital Skill Champions Program”
- WhatsApp Appoints Paresh B Lal As Grievance Officer For India
- XraySetu Launched To Detect Covid In Rural Population Via WhatsApp
- Whatsapp Partners With 5 Banks For UPI Payment
- WhatsApp’s Payments Service Gets NPCI Nod
- IDBI Bank Launches Banking Services On WhatsApp
- WhatsApp, CPF Partner To Drive Cyber Safety Awareness
- RIL Rolls Out WhatsApp Chatbot To Address Rights Issue Queries

**About WhatsApp**

- WhatsApp Founded: 2009;
- WhatsApp CEO: Will Cathcart (Mar 2019–);
- WhatsApp Headquarters: Menlo Park, California, United States;
- WhatsApp Acquisition date: 19 February 2014;
- WhatsApp Founders: Jan Koum, Brian Acton;
- WhatsApp Parent organization: Facebook.

**Q.** Which organization has successfully flight tested the new generation AGNI P ballistic 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**

**Launch Missile with range by DRDO IN NEWS**

- “Prithvi II”-350 Km  
- “Brahmos”-400Km  
- “Shaurya”-1000Km  
- “Pranash”-200Km  
- “K-4 nuclear”-3500Km
• “Nirbhay”: 1500Km

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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. Who is the author of the book titled “Fiercely Female: The Dutee Chand Story”?

A) Avtar Singh Bhasin  
B) Sundeep Mishra
C) Ayaz Memon  
D) Vikram Sampath

**Answer - B**

Q. Who among the following has won Styrian Grand Prix 2021?

A) Sebastian Vettel  
B) Charles Leclerc  
C) Max Verstappen  
D) Valtteri Bottas

**Answer - C**

**List of Formula One (F1) Grand Prix Winners**

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Q. As per the Mercer Cost of Living Survey, ________ is the world’s most expensive city for foreign workers.
A. Mumbai
B. Sarjah
C. Gurgaon
D. Ashgabat

Answer: D

➤ As per the Mercer Cost of Living Survey, **Ashgabat** is the world's most expensive city for foreign workers. **Mumbai** has been named as India’s most expensive city for the migrant workers.

Q. Which of the following has been named as the ‘Strongest Hotel Brand’ in the world?

A. Taj
B. Oberoi
C. Trident
D. Synergy

Answer: A

➤ **Taj** has been named as the ‘Strongest Hotel Brand’ in the world by Brand Finance. The report has been titled as ‘Hotels 50 2021’ Report.

➤ Hotel Taj secured a score of 89.3 out of 100.

Q. India has been ranked ___ among 46 countries in the Reuters Institute Digital News Report, 2021 on the level of trust in news.

A. 29
B. 30
C. 31
D. 32

Answer: C

➤ India has been ranked 31st among 46 countries in the Reuters Institute Digital News Report, 2021 on the level of trust in news. Finland topped the list with an overall trust of 65 % whereas USA secured the last rank with 29 % trust on the news.

Q. Government of India has extended the FAME-II Scheme till March, ______.

A. 2022
B. 2024
C. 2026
D. 2028

Answer: B
Government of India has extended the FAME-II Scheme till March, 2024. The Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of (Strong) Hybrid and Electric Vehicles in India (FAME-II) was supposed to expire in 2022.

Q. Who has become the 1st Indian swimmer to qualify for the Tokyo Olympics?

A. Pankaj Singh  
B. Vinod Sinha  
C. Vinod Sinha  
D. Sajan Prakash  

Answer: D

Sajan Prakash has become the 1st Indian swimmer to qualify for the Tokyo Olympics. He completed 200m butterfly stroke in 1 minute 56.38 seconds at the Sette Colli Trophy held in Rome.

Q. This former Indian Prime Minister's 100th birth anniversary was observed on June 28, 2021.

A) Lal Bahadur Shastri  
B) Morarji Desai  
C) PV Narasimha Rao  
D) Atal Bihari Vajpayee  

Answer - C

Q. Who has become the youngest Indian cricketer to play in all formats?

A) Shafali Verma  
B) Taniya Bhatia  
C) Sneh Rana  
D) Smriti Mandhana  

Answer - A

Q. Hockey India has recommended whose name for Khel Ratna Award 2021?

A) PR Sreejesh, Deepika  
B) Harmanpreet Singh, Vandana Katariya  
C) RP Singh, M Ch. Sanggai Ibemhal  
D) BJ Kariappa, CR Kumar  

Answer - A
Q. In June 2021, RBI imposed a total fine of Rs 8 lakhs on 3 cooperative banks - Excellent Cooperative Bank, Janaseva Sahakari Bank & Ajara Urban Co-operative Bank. All 3-banks belong to which state?

A) Uttar Pradesh  
B) Rajasthan  
C) Maharashtra  
D) Gujarat  

**Answer - C**

Q. In FY21, China became the ____ largest exporter destination for India, while ______ remains India’s top export partner.

A) 4th; UAE  
B) 2nd; UAE  
C) 3rd; UAE  
D) 2nd; USA  

**Answer - D**

Q. Who won Gold in 10-metre air pistol para women’s event at World shooting Para Sport Cup by setting the new World Record?

A) Rubina Francis  
B) Deepa Malik  
C) Seema Rao  
D) Dilraj Kaur  

**Answer - A**

Q. In June 2021, Padma Shri awardee Parassala B Ponnammal passed away. She was honoured with Padma Shri for her contribution towards ______________.

A) Literature  
B) Bharatanatyam  
C) Carnatic Music  
D) Sculptor  

**Answer - C**

**About Parassala Ponnammal:**

- Parassala Ponnammal was born in 1924 in **Thiruvananthapuram**.
• She became a **music teacher at the Government Cotton Hill Girls School** at the age of 18.

• She worked in Swathi Thirunal Sangeetha Academy.

• Ponnammal became the **first female student to enroll in the Swathi Thirunal College of Music in Thiruvananthapuram** with first rank in “Gunabushanam” and “Gana Praveena” courses.

• Ponnammal was also the **first woman principal to head RLV College of Music and Fine Arts in Tripunithura**.

• She was the **first woman to perform at the Navarathri Mandapam in Thiruvananthapuram** as a part of the Navaratri Celebrations of the Sri Padmanabhaswamy temple in Kerala.

• In 2006, Parassala B Ponnammal became the **first woman in 300 years of tradition to sing at the famed Navaratri Celebrations of the Sri Padmanabhaswamy temple**.

• Some of her performances included the Guruvayur Puresa Suprabhatham, Trisivapuresa Suprabhatham, Utsava Prabandham, Navarathri Kriti, Meenambika Sthothram, in addition to compositions of Irayamman Thampi and K. C. Kesava Pillai.

**Achievements:**

• **Padma Shri award** by Government of India, New Delhi in 2017

• **M. G. Radhakrishnan** Award in 2016

• **Lifetime Achievement Award** by Chennai Fine Arts, Tamil Nadu in 2015

• **Sangeetha Prabhakara Award** in 2012

• **S. Ganesha Sarma Award**, instituted by Ganesha Sarma Educational and Charitable Society, in 2009

• **Sangeet Natak Akademi Award** in 2009

• **Swathi Sangeetha Puraskaram** in 2009

• **Sree Guruvayurappan Chembai Puraskaram** in 2009
Q. The government has extended the deadline for linking PAN with Aadhaar till when?

A) October 31st
B) September 15th
C) September 30th
D) August 31st

Answer - C

Deadline in NEWS

- ITR Filing Deadline For FY21 Extended By Two Months To September 30
- Government Extends ‘Vivad Se Vishwas’ Scheme Deadline Till 30 June 2021
- PAN-Aadhaar Linking Deadline Extended To June 30
- RBI Extends Deadline For Processing Auto-Debit Payments By 6 Months

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Q. “Satindra Mohan Dev Stadium” is situated in which Indian state?
A) Haryana
B) Punjab
C) Sikkim
D) Assam
Answer - D

Q. What is the capital of Zimbabwe?
A) Harare
B) Bogota
C) Malabo
D) Warsaw
Answer - A

Q. In which state is the “Kadalundi Bird Sanctuary” located?
A) Odisha
B) Tamil Nadu
C) Kerala
D) Meghalaya
Answer - C

Q. Where in India is the “Mukkombu Dam” situated?
A) Telangana
B) Tamil Nadu
C) Kerala
D) Manipur
Answer - B

Q. The “Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS” (UNAIDS) is headquartered at __________.
A) Vienna, Austria
B) Paris, France
C) London, United Kingdom
D) Geneva, Switzerland
Answer - D

Q. Buiya is a popular folk dance form of which state of India?
A) Arunachal Pradesh
B) Gujarat
C) Karnataka
D) Manipur
Answer - A
Q. Which of these airports is situated in Maharashtra?

A) Biju Patnaik International Airport  
B) Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar International Airport  
C) Rajiv Gandhi International Airport  
D) Belgaum Airport  

Answer - B

Q. In which state is the “Sri Venkateswara Swamy Temple” located?

A) Andhra Pradesh  
B) Maharashtra  
C) Karnataka  
D) Kerala  

Answer - A

Q. In which part of India is the “Singalila National Park” located?

A) Puducherry  
B) Ladakh  
C) West Bengal  
D) New Delhi  

Answer - C

Q. Belasagar Lake is situated in which Indian state?

A) Rajasthan  
B) Sikkim  
C) Madhya Pradesh  
D) Uttar Pradesh  

Answer - D

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