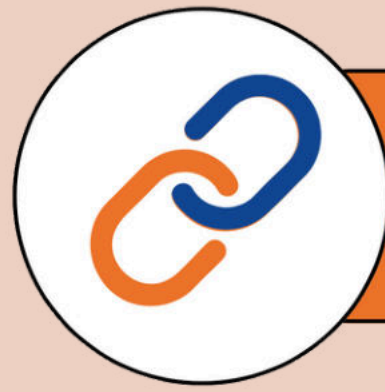


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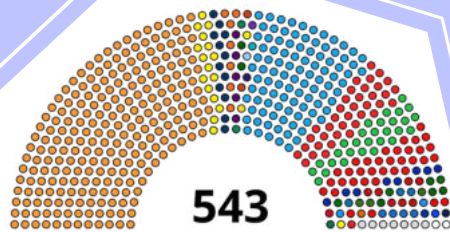
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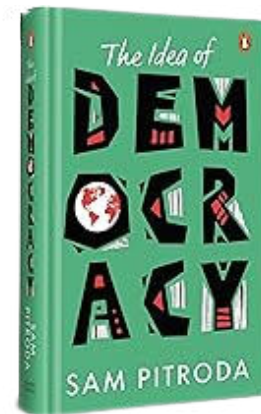


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India

1. Consider the following statements with reference to Human Development Index 2023-24.

1. It is released by the United Nations Development Programme.
 2. Norway has topped the list in the year 2023-24.
 3. India has secured 144th rank in this index
- Identify the true statement/s from the above statements.

- (A) Only 1
- (B) Only 1 and 3
- (C) Only 2 and 3
- (D) Only 2
- (E) Unattempted question

Answer:- (A)

Explanation:-

Issued by - United Nations Development Programme
Switzerland topped the list

India's rank- 134th

India's score- 0.644

Index	Issued by	Top Rank	India
Global Peace Index 2024	Institute for Economics & Peace (IEP)	Iceland	116
Gender Gap Index 2024	World Economic Forum	Iceland	129
Human Development Index report 2023/24	United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)	Switzerland	134 (score 0.644)
World Happiness Index 2024	United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Network	Finland	126

World Press Freedom Index 2024	Reporters Without Borders	Norway	159
Global Energy Transition Index 2024	World Economic Forum (WEF)	Sweden	63
Corruption Perception Index 2024	Transparency International	Denmark	93
Democracy Index 2023	Economist Intelligence Unit	norway	41
Logistics Performance Index 2023	world bank	singapore	38
Global fire power ranking	global fire	USA	4
Cyber crime index 2024	PLOS JOURNAL	Russia	10
Travel and Tourism Development Index 2024	World Economic Forum(WEF)	America	39

2. Recently, the joint war exercise "Bharat Shakti" of the three armies of India was organized at which of the following places?

- (A) Pokhran Field Firing Range Jaisalmer
- (B) Mahajan Field Firing Range Bikaner
- (C) Chandan Field Firing Range Jodhpur
- (D) Nawalgarh Field Firing Range Sikar
- (E) Unattempted question

Answer:- (A)

Explanation:-

Exercise "Bharat Shakti" is an integrated war exercise of the three Indian armies, Army, Air Force and Navy,

- held at Pokhran Field Firing Range(Jaisalmer)
- ❖ Exercises held in Bikaner
- "Desert Cyclone" 2024
Mahajan Field Range Bikaner
- ❖ Exercises held in Jodhpur
- Vayu Shakti 2024 - Chandan Field Firing Range
- Tarang Shakti 2024 - Multinational Air Force Exercise held at Jodhpur Air Base(2nd phase)

3. Consider the following statements in the context of "Samudra Laxman 2024" exercise

1. This exercise is conducted between the Navies of



See the explanation table of question no. 8

International

1. What is the theme of "World Water Day 2024" celebrated on 22 March?

- A. Water at the forefront of climate
- B. Responsible and accountable water conservation
- C. Empowered citizens strong water conservation
- D. Use of water for peace
- E. Question not attempted

Answer:- (D)

Explanation:-

"World Water Day 2024 - **22 March**

Theme- Use of water for peace

Note:- If you see the theme of the day in English, it is more valid

Date	Day	Theme
March 1st	Zero discrimination day	Protecting everyone's health, protecting everyone's rights
3 March	World wildlife day	Connecting people and planet: exploring digital innovation in wildlife conservation.
4 March	National security day	
8 March	International women's day	'Invest in women: accelerate progress'
10 March	Central Industrial Security Force Foundation Day	
14 March	International Mathematics Day	Playing with math'
15 March	World consumer rights day	Fair and responsible AI for consumers
16 March	National vaccination day	Vaccines work for everyone
20 March	World oral health day	Happy mouth, happy body
20 March	International happiness day	Be happy together
20 March	World sparrow day	I like sparrow
21 March	International forest day	Forests and innovation: new solutions for a better world

22 March	World water day	Use of water for peace
24 March	World tuberculosis day	Yes! We can eliminate TB
30 March	Rajasthan day	Voices of public consciousness in the integration of Rajasthan

2. In which country was the third edition of the "Summit for Democracy" organized in March 2024?

- (A) North Korea
- (B) South Korea
- (C) Japan
- (D) America
- (E) Question not attempted

Answer:- (B)

Explanation:-

Summit for Democracy-**South Korea**

See the explanation table of question no. 36 (page 12)

3. What position did India hold in the recently released Gender Inequality Index?

- (A) 108
- (B) 129
- (C) 137
- (D) 134
- (E) Question not attempted

Answer:- (A)

Explanation:-

- The United Nations Development Program (UNDP) on 13 March 2024 released the Human Development Report 2023-2024 which shows the Gender Inequality Index 2022.
- India's score in Gender Inequality Index (GII) 2022 is 0.437 and India is ranked 108th out of 193 countries. India's score in the Gender Inequality Index 2021 was 0.490 and was then ranked 122nd out of 191 countries.
- There has been a significant improvement of 14 ranks in this index in 2022 compared to 2021.
- Over the past 10 years, India's rank in the GII has consistently improved, indicating progressive improvement in achieving gender equality in the country. In 2014 its rank was 127, which has now become 108.
- Source – PIB News 14 March
 - See the explanation table for question no. 1(page 1)

4. Where was the 16th World Future Energy Summit held?



**Other famous people**

- ❖ simon harris
Becomes the youngest Prime Minister of Ireland
- ❖ Bajrani Benedictson
prime minister of iceland
- ❖ louis montenegro
Prime Minister of Portugal
- ❖ peter pellegrini
new president of slovakia
- ❖ Sudhir Kakkar
Father of Indian Psychology, passed away recently.
- ❖ Rakesh Mohan
Appointed to the World Bank Economic Advisory Panel
- ❖ Gopi Thotakura
Became the first Indian tourist to travel to space
- ❖ **PYQ:-** Najeeb Mikati Who is it ?
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14. Consider the following statements with reference to the recently appointed President/Prime Minister

1. Thomas Sulyok - President of Hungary
 2. Siddiqui Kaba - Prime Minister of Senegal
 3. Mohammad Mustafa - Prime Minister of Pakistan
- Which of the above statements is/are true?

- A. Only 1
- B. Only 1, 2
- C. Only 3
- D. Only 2, 3
- E. Question not attempted

Answer:- (B)

Explanation:-

1. Mohammad Mustafa - Prime Minister of Palestine
2. Siddiqui Kaba - Prime Minister of Senegal
3. Gustavo adrianjen - President of Peru
4. Mark rootte

Mark Rutte appointed as new NATO Secretary General

5. 'Judith Suminwa Tuluka' - the first female Prime Minister of the Democratic Republic of Congo.
 6. Simon Harris - becomes the youngest Prime Minister of Ireland
 7. Bjarni Benedictsson – Prime Minister of Iceland
 8. Luis Montenegro - Prime Minister of Portugal
 9. Peter Pellegrini - new President of Slovakia
 10. Sudhir Kakkar – Father of Indian Psychology, passed away recently
 11. Rakesh Mohan – appointed to the World Bank Economic Advisory Panel
- Gopi Thotakura - became the first Indian tourist to travel to space

15. Consider the following statements with reference to the index (2024) and India's rank.

1. World Cyber Crime Index – 10
2. Travel and Tourism Development Index - 39

3. World Press Freedom Index – 149

4. Global Peace Index – 116

Which of the above statements is/are true?

- A. Only 1, 3, 4
- B. Only 1, 2, 4
- C. Only 2, 4
- D. Only 1, 2, 3
- E. Question not attempted

Answer:- (B)

Explanation:-

1. World Cyber Crime Index – 10
2. Travel and Tourism Development Index - 39
3. World Press Freedom Index – 159
4. Global Peace Index – 116

See the explanation table of question no. 3

Rajasthan

1. According to the India Employment Report 2024 released in April 2024, what was the rank of Rajasthan in the "Employment Index"?

- (A) 17
- (B) 06
- (C) 16
- (D) 26
- (E) Question not attempted

Answer:- (B)

Explanation:-

★ India Employment Index 2024

Issued by - Institute for Human Development and International Labour Organization

Top Rank - Delhi

Rajasthan - 6th

- ❖ **Third** position in implementation of Atal Bhujal Scheme
- ❖ **12th** state to adopt One Nation One Ration Card Scheme
- ❖ Sustainable Development Goals Index
 1. Issued by NITI Aayog
 2. Rajasthan ranked **11th**
 3. **Score 67**
 4. Included in the **leading category**
- ❖ **Fourth** position in filing income tax returns
- ❖ Rajasthan ranks **34th** in Jal Jeevan Mission

2. Recently in news "Jain Muni Shri Vidyasagar Ji Maharaj Panorama" is located in which district of Rajasthan?

- A. Ajmer
- B. Bharatpur
- C. Bikaner
- D. Udaipur



Shunga period, Maurya period, Mahajanapada period and Mahabharata period during the ongoing excavation in Behaj village of Deeg district of Rajasthan.

39. Where will Rajasthan's first ethanol plant be built?

- (A) Udaipur
- (B) Jalore
- (C) Sri Ganganagar
- (D) Kota
- (E) Question not attempted

Answer:- (C)

Explanation:-

Rajasthan's first ethanol plant will be built in Sriganganagar.

See the explanation table of question no. 21

Sports

1. Which of the following pairs won the men's doubles title of the recently held "Miami Open 2024"?

- A. Matthew Ebden and Rohan Bopanna
- B. Matthew Ebden and Rahul Jayakar
- C. Christopher Jacob and Rohan Bopanna
- D. Christopher Jacob and Rahul Jayakar
- E. Unattempted question

Answer:- (A)

Explanation:-

Miami Open 2024	Winner
Men's singles	Jannik Sinner (Italy)
Women's singles	Daniel Collins (USA)
Men's doubles	Matthew Ebden and Rohan Bopanna
Women's doubles	Sofia Kenin/Bethany Mattek-Sands (USA)

Open	Man	Woman
Australian open	Jannik Sinner (Italy)	Aryana Sabalenka
French Open	Carlos Alcaraz	Iga Swiatek
Wimbledon Open	Carlos Alcaraz	Barbora Krejickova
US Open	Jannick Sinner (Italy)	Aryana Sabalenka
Italian Open	Alexander Zverev (Germany)	Iga Swiatek(Poland)

2. Who became the first Indian to win the doubles title of the 2024 BMW Open Tennis Championship?

- (A) Rohan Bopanna
- (B) Yuki Bhambri
- (C) Gopichand Thotakura
- (D) Kaushik Rajasekhar
- (E) Question not attempted

Answer:- (B)

Explanation:-

- ❖ Yuki Bhambri became the first Indian to win the doubles title of the 2024 BMW Open Tennis Championship
- ❖ Yuki Bhambri and Albano Olivetti won the doubles title of the 2024 BMW Open Tennis Championship
- ❖ See the solution table of Question no.1

3. Who was the winner of the 71st Miss World Pageant 2024?

- (A) Kristina Rozyneva
- (B) Kristina Piskova
- (C) Kennedy Rozyneva
- (D) Kennedy Pyszkowa
- (E) Question not attempted

Answer:- (B)

Explanation:-

71st Miss World Contest 2024

- ❖ The event was held on March 9, 2024 at Jio World Convention Centre, Mumbai
 - ❖ Czech Republic's Kristina Piskova got the title of Miss World
 - ❖ Lebanon's Yasmina Zaytoun was chosen first runner-up
 - ❖ Sini Shetty participated on behalf of India in the competition and was in the top 8.
 - ❖ Till now a total of 6 women from India have won the Miss World title.
 1. Rita Faria Powell(1966)
 2. Aishwarya Rai Bachchan(1994)
 3. Diana Hayden (1997)
 4. Yukta Mukhi(1999)
 5. Priyanka Chopra(2000)
 6. Manushi Chhillar(2017)
- "Miss Rajasthan 2024"- Harshika Batra of Ajmer won the title of Miss Rajasthan 2024.

4. Who was recently elected as the President of the Indian Paralympic Committee?

- (A) Mahavir Prasad Saini
- (B) Abhinav Bindra
- (C) Mona Agarwal



Development Organization of India successfully test the "Man Portable Anti-Tank Guided Missile Weapon System"?

- A. Dr. Abdul Kalam Island Odisha
- B. Pokhran Field Firing Range Jaisalmer Flight Test
- C. Integrated Test Range Chandipur Odisha
- D. Chitradurga Training Center Karnataka
- E. Question not attempted

Answer:- (B)

Explanation:-

- ❖ India successfully tested indigenous MPATGM weapon system
 - ❖ Institution -India's Defense Research and Development Organization (DRDO) has successfully tested the indigenously designed and developed 'Man Portable Anti-Tank Guided Missile' weapon system.
 - ❖ Tested at Pokhran Field Firing Range (Jaisalmer, Rajasthan)
 - ❖ Date - 13 April 2024
 - ❖ This system included MPATGM, launcher, target acquisition system and fire control unit. Along with this, the work of testing the penetration capability and technology development of the Tandem Warhead System of 'MPATGM' has been successfully completed.
- DRDO** (Defense Research and Development Organization)
- ❖ Established- 1958
 - ❖ Headquarters- New Delhi
 - ❖ Current Chairman - Sameer V. Kamat

2. Consider the following statements with reference to the recently discussed "Akash Teer" system

1. It is an automated air defense control and reporting system.
2. It has been developed by Bharat Electronics Limited.

Identify the true statement from the above statements

- (A) Only 1
- (B) Only 2
- (C) All of the above
- (D) None of these
- (E) Question not attempted

Answer:- (C)

Explanation:-

- ❖ "Akash Teer" is an air defense control and reporting system developed to enhance the air defense

capabilities of the Indian Army.

- ❖ 'automated Air Defense Control' has been named Project Akash Teer
- ❖ It has been built by Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) under the 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' initiative.
- ❖ BEL is a Navratna Public Sector Unit (PSU) under the Ministry of Defence.
- ❖ Other popular defense technologies

SPACE:-

of Idukki in Kerala kulamaavu underwater in acoustic research m A state-of-the-art Submersible Platform for Acoustic Characterization and Evaluation (SPACE) was inaugurated at the facility.

3. Match List-1 with List-2 regarding Space and Defence technology which is in news recently and the concerned country and select the correct option.

List-1

1. Delta-IV Heavy Rocket
2. Angara-A5
3. Shenzhou-18
4. RLV LEX-02

List-2

- (a) America
- (b) India
- (c) China
- (d) Russia

Code

- (A) 1-(a) 2-(c) 3-(b) 4-(d)
- (B) 1-(d) 2-(b) 3-(c) 4-(a)
- (C) 1-(a) 2-(b) 3-(c) 4-(d)
- (D) 1-(a) 2-(d) 3-(c) 4-(b)
- (E) Question not attempted

Answer:- (D)

Explanation:-

- ❖ **Delta-IV Heavy Rocket** - It was America's most powerful launch vehicle for almost a decade This is the world's largest rocket that runs entirely on liquid hydrogen. It was first launched in December 2004 It was retired after its last flight on 9 April 2024.
- ❖ **Angara-A5** - is a Russian space rocket This is Russia's first rocket which was made after the breakup of the Soviet Union. It is made of Russian components and uses environmental friendly fuel. On April 11, 2024, the fourth test of Angara-A5 was conducted from the Vostochny Cosmodrome in the Russian Far East.
- ❖ **Shenzhou-18** - is a Chinese spacecraft which was launched on April 25, 2024 This vehicle is for China's Tiangong Space Station Shenzhou-18 is the eighteenth flight of China's