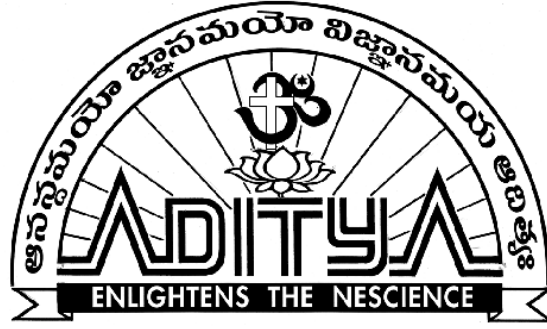


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- Coal India Limited (CIL) and Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL) have signed a joint venture agreement (JVA) for setting up India's first commercial-scale ammonium nitrate plant in which state through surface coal gasification (SCG) technology route?
(a) Kerala (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Odisha
(d) Andhra Pradesh (e) Telangana **Ans. c**
- In February 2024, which ministry has signed agreement with 12 technical education institutions for academic and research collaboration towards basin management of 6 rivers?
(a) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (b) Ministry of Environment and Forests
(c) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (d) Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
(e) Ministry of Jal Shakti **Ans. e**
- Reliance Consumer Products Limited (RCPL) has partnered with Elephant House to manufacture, market, distribute, and retail beverages under the Elephant House brand in India. Elephant House is the brand of which country?
(a) Malaysia (b) Maldives (c) Bhutan (d) Vietnam (e) Sri Lanka **Ans. e**
- Which company has signed a joint venture agreement with Maharashtra State Power Generation Company (MAHAGENCO) for development of renewable energy parks in Maharashtra?
(a) National Mineral Development Corporation (b) TP renewable Microgrid
(c) Steel Authority of India (d) NTPC Green Energy (e) Torrent Power **Ans. d**
- What is the rank of India in International IP Index 2024?
(a) 11th (b) 12th (c) 42nd (d) 32nd (e) 21st **Ans. c**
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has cancelled the licence of _____-based Sumerpur Mercantile Urban Cooperative Bank as the lender does not have adequate capital and earning prospects.
(a) Uttar Pradesh (b) Gujarat (c) Rajasthan
(d) Maharashtra (e) Madhya Pradesh **Ans. c**
- Maruti Suzuki India has partnered with which bank for dealer financing solutions?
(a) City Union Bank (b) Indian Overseas Bank (c) Union Bank of India
(d) Karnataka Bank (e) Karur Vyasya Bank **Ans. c**
- Who has been appointed as chairperson and independent director of PayU Payments Private Ltd (PayU)?
(a) Rajnish Kumar (b) Joshit Ranjan Sikidar (c) Deepak Mohanty
(d) Tablesh Pandey (e) Renu Sud Karnad **Ans. e**
- Ajay Kanwal has been reappointed as the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (MD and CEO) of which small finance bank for 3 years?
(a) AU Small Finance Bank Limited (b) Capital Small Finance Bank Limited
(c) Jana Small Finance Bank (d) Shivalik Small Finance Bank
(e) Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited **Ans. c**
- Who has been appointed as the Director General (DG) of the National Security Guard (NSG)?
(a) Anish Dayal Singh (b) Sujoy Lal Thaoson (c) Vineet McCarty
(d) Daljit Singh Chaudhary (e) Subodh Kumar Jaiswal **Ans. d**
- In February 2024, who became the first Indian citizen to receive an Honorary Knighthood from United Kingdom's King Charles III?
(a) Anand Mahindra (b) Rahul Gandhi (c) Ratan Tata
(d) Mukesh Ambani (e) Sunil Bharti Mittal **Ans. e**
- World Seagrass Day is observed every year on which day?
(a) 1 March (b) 2 March (c) 3 March (d) 4 March (e) 5 March **Ans. a**

13. Zero Discrimination Day is observed every year on March 1. What is the theme of Zero Discrimination Day 2024?
 (a) Remove laws that harm, create laws that empower
 (b) Stand Out and encourages everyone to stand for fair and just societies
 (c) To protect everyone's health, protect everyone's rights
 (d) End Inequalities (e) What if Ans. c
14. World Civil Defence Day is observed every year on which day?
 (a) 1 March (b) 2 March (c) 3 March (d) 4 March (e) 5 March Ans. a
15. Former Prime Minister, Brian Mulroney passed away recently at the age of 84. He was the PM of which country?
 (a) France (b) Italy (c) UK (d) USA (e) Canada Ans. e
16. According to the Environment Ministry, India's leopard numbers rose by 8% from 12,852 in 2018 to 13,874 in 2022. The highest number of leopards were reported in which state?
 (a) Uttar Pradesh (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Arunachal Pradesh
 (d) Maharashtra (e) Madhya Pradesh Ans. e
17. As of February 2024, Food regulator FSSAI has awarded 'Eat Right Station' certification to how many railway stations to ensure safe, hygienic and nutritious food options for passengers?
 (a) 100 (b) 120 (c) 150 (d) 175 (e) 200 Ans. c
18. Four-day long 'Tawi festival' has been celebrated in which city?
 (a) Varanasi (b) Jammu (c) Bhubaneswar (d) Ahmedabad (e) Mumbai Ans. b
19. Which state government has launched the 'One Time Scheme' (OTS) in all the urban local bodies (ULBs) of the state?
 (a) Maharashtra (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Gujarat
 (d) Andhra Pradesh (e) Telangana Ans. e
20. In March 2024, which ministry has organized the Poshan Utsav?
 (a) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (b) Ministry of Women and Child Development
 (c) Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution
 (d) Ministry of Ayush (e) Ministry of Jal Shakti (Water) Ans. b
21. Which country has become the first Spanish-speaking nation to officially recognize the Indian Pharma standards?
 (a) Nicaragua (b) New Zealand (c) Australia (d) South Africa (e) Ireland Ans. a
22. Consider the following statements about PM-Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana that was recently approved by union cabinet.
 (i) Union Cabinet approved a .85,021-crore package for the "PM-Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana".
 (ii) The scheme claims to be able to provide 300 units of "free electricity" every month to one crore households.
 (iii) The scheme provides a central financial assistance of Rs 30,000 subsidy for 1 kW system, Rs 60,000 for 2 kW systems and Rs 80,000 for 3 kW systems or higher.
 (iv) Households can access collateral-free low-interest loan products of around 5 per cent at present for installation.
 How many of the given statement(s) is/are CORRECT?
 (a) only one (b) only two (c) only three (d) all are correct (e) all are incorrect Ans. a
23. According to data released by the National Statistical Office in March 2024, India's GDP registered a robust growth of _____ on an annual basis in the third quarter (October-December).
 (a) 8.4% (b) 7.4% (c) 8.3% (d) 8.9% (e) 7.8% Ans. a
24. How much lakh crore rupees was GST collected in February 2024?
 (a) 1,45,867 crore (b) 1,68,337 crore (c) 1,72,003 crore (d) 1,60,122 crore (e) 1,67,929 crore Ans. b
25. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated and laid the foundation stone for multiple development projects worth 35,700 crore rupees in which state in March 2024?
 (a) Tripura (b) Jharkhand (c) Assam (d) Bihar (e) Meghalaya Ans. b
26. Union Cabinet has approved the establishment of the International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) with headquarters in India with a one-time budgetary support of how much rupees for a period of five years from 2023-24 to 2027-28?
 (a) 100 cr (b) 150 cr (c) 200 cr (d) 250 cr (e) 300 cr Ans. b
27. VSHORADS seen in the news recently. What is this?
 (a) Indian Navy's new Warship (b) Lower Orbit Satellite Launched Vehcile
 (c) Very Short-Range Drone System (d) Very Short-Range Air Defence System
 (e) ISRO Radar System Ans. d

28. Juventus midfielder Paul Pogba has been banned for four years for doping. He is from which country?
 (a) France (b) Russia (c) UK (d) USA (e) Canada Ans. a
29. World Hearing Day is observed on 3rd March every year. What is the theme of World Hearing Day 2024?
 (a) Ear and hearing care for all! (b) To hear for life, listen with care
 (c) Hearing Care for ALL! Screen, Rehabilitate, Communicate
 (d) Don't let hearing loss limit you.
 (e) Changing mindsets: Let's make ear and hearing care a reality for all. Ans. e
30. World Wildlife Day is celebrated annually on which day?
 (a) 1 March (b) 2 March (c) 3 March (d) 4 March (e) 5 March Ans. c
31. Who has launched the National Urban Co-operative Finance and Development Corporation Limited (NUCFDC), the Umbrella organization for the Urban Cooperative Banks in New Delhi?
 (a) Narendra Modi (b) Amit Shah (c) Rajnath Singh
 (d) Droupadi Murmu (e) Jagdeep Dhankhar Ans. b
32. Which company has commissioned its first indigenously-manufactured electrolyser at A M Naik Heavy Engineering Complex in Hazira, Gujarat?
 (a) Reliance Industries Limited (b) Larsen & Toubro (L&T)
 (c) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (d) Tata Advanced Systems
 (e) Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) Ans. b
33. Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal has inaugurated the 60T bollard pull tug named 'Ocean Grace' and the Medical Mobile Unit (MMU). The 'Ocean Grace' has been developed by which company?
 (a) Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders (b) Hindustan Shipyard (c) ABG Shipyard
 (d) Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers (e) Cochin Shipyard Limited Ans. e
34. Which state government will launch the Indiramma housing scheme in the state to provide financial assistance for construct houses?
 (a) Maharashtra (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Gujarat
 (d) Andhra Pradesh (e) Telangana Ans. e
35. Financial Intelligence Unit - India (FIU-IND) has imposed 5.49 crore fine on which payments bank for alleged violations of anti-money laundering rules under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA)?
 (a) Airtel Payments Bank (b) India Post Payments Bank (c) FINO Payments Bank
 (d) Paytm Payments Bank (e) Jio Payments Bank Ans. d
36. Which eCommerce company has launched its UPI (Unified Payments Interface) handle to enhance digital payment offerings to all users?
 (a) Amazon (b) Flipkart (c) Tata neu (d) Kia Fashion (e) Myntra Ans. b
37. Who has been appointed as the head of Parliament security?
 (a) Anish Dayal Singh (b) Sujoy Lal Thaoson (c) Vineet McCarty
 (d) Anurag Agarwal (e) Subodh Kumar Jaiswal Ans. d
38. S. Ravindran has been appointed as part-time chairman of which bank?
 (a) South Indian Bank (b) Axis Bank (c) Dhanalakshmi Bank
 (d) Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Ltd (e) Karur Vyasya Bank Ans. d
39. In March 2024, Shehbaz Sharif has been elected as the Prime Minister of Pakistan. What is the name of Shehbaz Sharif's party?
 (a) Jamaat-e-Islami (b) Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam – Fazl (c) Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf
 (d) Pakistan Muslim League- Nawaz (e) Pakistan Muslim League Ans. d
40. Who has launched Haj Suvridha Mobile Application in New Delhi?
 (a) Anurag Thakur (b) Piyush Goyal (c) Smriti Irani
 (d) Meenakashi Lekhi (e) Amit Shah Ans. c
41. Which company has partnered with the Unit of Science and Educational Development (UNISED) to support the education of around 75,500 children of Siddharthnagar district, Uttar Pradesh?
 (a) ReNew Power (b) Adani Enterprises (c) REC Limited
 (d) NTPC Limited (e) Torrent Power Ans. c

42. Who has been awarded the prestigious Maharashtra Bhushan Award 2024?
 (a) Anshika Mahajan (b) Sapna Singh (c) Ratan Tata
 (d) Pradeep Mahajan (e) Sunil Mittal Ans. d
43. National Safety Day in India is observed every year on which day to spread awareness and commitment to working safely?
 (a) 6 March (b) 7 March (c) 8 March (d) 4 March (e) 5 March Ans. d
44. World Obesity Day is observed every year on which day?
 (a) 6 March (b) 7 March (c) 8 March (d) 4 March (e) 5 March Ans. d
45. Recently, Chapchar Kut Festival has been celebrated in which state?
 (a) Tripura (b) Mizoram (c) Assam (d) Manipur (e) Meghalaya Ans. b
46. Consider the following points about the ADITI scheme that was seen in the news recently:
 (i) Rajnath Singh launched ADITI scheme to promote innovations in critical and strategic defence technologies.
 (ii) ADITI stands for Acting Development of Innovative Technologies with iDEX.
 (iii) Under the scheme, start-ups are eligible to receive grant-in-aid of up to Rs 15 crore for their research, development.
 (iv) Ministry of Defence has allocated Rs 750 crore for the period 2023-24 to 2025-26 for this scheme.
 How many of the given point is INCORRECT?
 (a) only one (b) only two (c) only three (d) all are correct (e) all are incorrect Ans. b
47. Who has inaugurated India's 1st Green Hydrogen Plant in the Stainless-Steel Sector at Jindal Stainless Limited, Hisar, Haryana?
 (a) Narendra Modi (b) Amit Shah (c) Jyotiraditya Scindia
 (d) Droupadi Murmu (e) Jagdeep Dhankhar Ans. c
48. Secretary of Ministry of Panchayati Raj Vivek Bharadwaj has inaugurated the second Two-Day Regional Conference on Strengthening of PESA in which city?
 (a) Bengaluru (b) New Delhi (c) Chennai (d) Greater Noida (e) Ranchi Ans. e
49. Global rating agency Moody's has raised India's GDP growth projection for 2024 to how much per cent from the 6.1 per cent?
 (a) 6.7% (b) 6.6% (c) 6.8% (d) 6.5% (e) 6.4% Ans. c
50. Which bank has launched the 'Smart Choice Gold Loan' for customers?
 (a) Federal Bank (b) Axis Bank (c) IndusInd Bank
 (d) HDFC Bank (e) Kotak Mahindra Bank Ans. e
51. Recently, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved the merger of Fincare Small Finance Bank with which SFB bank?
 (a) AU Small Finance Bank Limited (b) Capital Small Finance Bank Limited
 (c) ESAF Small Finance Bank Limited (d) Shivalik Small Finance Bank
 (e) Equitas Small Finance Bank Limited Ans. a
52. Bharat Petroleum Corporation (BPCL) has introduced Neeraj Chopra as its brand ambassador for which premium petrol variant?
 (a) Power 99 (b) i Turbo (c) Speed (d) MAK lubricants (e) XtraPremium Ans. c
53. 31-year-old, B Sai Praneeth has announced his retirement. He is related to which sport?
 (a) Hockey (b) Tennis (c) Badminton (d) Football (e) Cricket Ans. c
54. Who has honored with 'India-UK Achievers' awards in March 2024?
 (a) Asma Khan and Farhan Akhtar (b) Zoya Akhtar and Asma Khan
 (c) Zoya Akhtar and Javed Akhtar (d) Farhan Akhtar and Javed Akhtar
 (e) Javed Akhtar and Asma Khan Ans. b
55. 'Pars 1' satellite seen in the news recently. This is the satellite of which country?
 (a) Iran (b) Russia (c) UAE (d) India (e) Saudi Arabia Ans. a

56. Consider the following points about Pro Kabaddi League Season 10:
 (i) Puneri Paltan won Pro Kabaddi League trophy by defeating the Gujarat Giants in the final.
 (ii) It is the first title of Puneri Paltan.
 (iii) Best Raider - Ashu Malik (Dabang Delhi KC)
 (iv) Best Emerging Player - Yogesh Dahiya (Dabang Delhi KC)
 Which of the point(s) given above is/are INCORRECT?
 (a) only i (b) only ii (c) only iii & iv (d) only iv & i (e) all are correct Ans. a
57. International Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Awareness Day is celebrated every year on which day?
 (a) 6 March (b) 7 March (c) 8 March (d) 4 March (e) 5 March Ans. e
58. Dissociative Identity Disorder Awareness Day is observed every year on which day?
 (a) 6 March (b) 7 March (c) 8 March (d) 4 March (e) 5 March Ans. e
59. Padma Shri Awardee Dr Arun Kumar Sharma passed away recently at the age of 90. Who was he?
 (a) Writer (b) Archaeologist (c) Sculptor (d) Social Worker (e) Historian Ans. b
60. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated India's first indigenous Prototype Fast Breeder Reactor (PFBR) (500 MWe) at which state?
 (a) Maharashtra (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Odisha (d) Andhra Pradesh (e) Kerala Ans. b
61. Rupa Tarakasi recently bagged the GI Tag. It belongs to which city?
 (a) Bengaluru (b) Cuttack (c) Hyderabad (d) Ahmedabad (e) Mumbai Ans. b
62. Union Minister of Chemicals and Fertilizers and Health and Family Welfare Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya has inaugurated how many centers of Central Institute of Petrochemicals Engineering & Technology (CIPET) established across India?
 (a) 3 (b) 4 (c) 5 (d) 6 (e) 8 Ans. a
63. India's unemployment rate dropped to how much per cent in 2023 from 3.6 per cent in the preceding year, according to the latest employment-unemployment indicators report released by the National Statistical Office?
 (a) 3.1% (b) 3.2% (c) 3.3% (d) 3.4% (e) 3.5% Ans. a
64. Which state government has launched an initiative to support young entrepreneurs called "Mukhyamantri Yuva Udyami Vikas Abhiyan (MYUVA)"?
 (a) Uttar Pradesh (b) Gujarat (c) Rajasthan (d) Maharashtra (e) Uttarakhand Ans. a
65. Which country has become the first country in the world to enshrine abortion rights in its constitution?
 (a) France (b) Italy (c) UK (d) Spain (e) Canada Ans. a
66. Which company has secured a power plant engineering, procurement, and construction (EPC) order of over Rs 9,500 crore from NTPC Ltd?
 (a) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (b) Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited
 (c) Hindustan Unilever Limited (d) Tata Advanced Systems
 (e) Bharat Electronics Limited Ans. b
67. In March 2024, who has etched her name in history as the first woman sniper of the Border Security Force (BSF)?
 (a) Anshika Singh (b) Sadhna Saxena Nair (c) Vasudha Gupta
 (d) Suman Kumari (e) Sapna Singh Ans. d
68. Which food delivery platform has signed an MoU with Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC) under which it will deliver pre-ordered food in trains?
 (a) Swiggy (b) Zomato (c) FoodPanda (d) Dominos (e) UberEats Ans. a
69. In March 2024, which bank has partnered with online travel tech platform EaseMyTrip to launch a co-branded travel credit card "EMT Credit Card"?
 (a) State Bank of India (b) Punjab National Bank (c) IndusInd Bank
 (d) HDFC Bank (e) Bandhan Bank Ans. b
70. Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh has inaugurated India's IN-SPACe Satellite & Payload Technical Centre in which city?
 (a) Bengaluru (b) Panaji (c) Bhubaneswar (d) Ahmedabad (e) Mumbai Ans. d
71. Who is the author of the book titled "The Gems of Indian Art"?
 (a) Amitav Ghosh (b) Vikram Seth (c) Salman Rushdie (d) Harish Khullar (e) Chetan Bhagat Ans. d

72. Spinner Shahbaz Nadeem has retired from all forms of international cricket. He is from which state?
 (a) Tripura (b) Jharkhand (c) Assam (d) Bihar (e) Meghalaya Ans. b
73. Ghana celebrates its Independence Day every year on March 6. What is the capital of Ghana?
 (a) Accra (b) Abuja (c) Khartoum (d) Bamako (e) Niamey Ans. a
74. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated India's first under-river metro tunnel in which city?
 (a) Bengaluru (b) Kolkata (c) Hyderabad (d) Ahmedabad (e) Mumbai Ans. b
75. Who has launched NITI Aayog's NITI For States platform in New Delhi?
 (a) Narendra Modi (b) Ashwini Vaishnav (c) Amit Shah
 (d) Piyush Goyal (e) Anurag Thakur Ans. b
76. Which state government has launched the Widow Remarriage Promotion Scheme 2024 to provide INR to all the widowed who will get remarriage?
 (a) Uttar Pradesh (b) Jharkhand (c) Rajasthan
 (d) Maharashtra (e) Madhya Pradesh Ans. b
77. Which state government has signed an MoU with the World Economic Forum to establish the state's first Centre for AI?
 (a) Tripura (b) West Bengal (c) Assam
 (d) Karnataka (e) Chhattisgarh Ans. d
78. Rajnath Singh has inaugurated the 'Chola' building at Naval War College in which state?
 (a) Maharashtra (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Goa
 (d) Himachal Pradesh (e) Punjab Ans. c
79. Infibeam Avenues has received the final authorisation from RBI to operate as a payment aggregator for its payment gateway brand, CCAvenue. It is a which type of company?
 (a) Payment Fintech platform (b) Food Delivery platform (c) AI-powered Platform
 (d) Shopping Based Platform (e) None of above Ans. c
80. As of March 2024, according to RBI how many banks are participating in the UDGAM portal, designed for individuals to search for their unclaimed deposits/account?
 (a) 16 (b) 12 (c) 20 (d) 35 (e) 30 Ans. e
81. Rating agency CRISIL raised its economic growth forecast for India in the FY25 to how much percent from 6.4 per cent estimated earlier, citing higher growth momentum?
 (a) 6.4% (b) 6.5% (c) 6.7% (d) 6.8% (e) 6.9% Ans. d
82. Slice has announced the appointment of actress _____ as its latest brand ambassador.
 (a) Anushka Sharma (b) Alia Bhatt (c) Priyanka Chopra
 (d) Nayanthara (e) Sunny Leone Ans. d
83. European aerospace firm Airbus has signed a contract with which institute to provide aviation education to professionals and empower?
 (a) IIT Guwahati (b) IIT Delhi (c) IIT Madras (d) IIM Mumbai (e) IIM Roorkee Ans. d
84. Who has been honoured with the United States Golf Association (USGA)'s prestigious Bob Jones Award?
 (a) Justin Thomas (b) Tiger Woods (c) Elin Nordegren (d) Joe LaCava (e) Rory McIlroy Ans. b
85. Who has Sunrisers Hyderabad (SRH) announced as its new captain for the Indian Premier League (IPL) season 2024?
 (a) Glenn Phillips (b) Heinrich Klaasen (c) Mayank Agarwal
 (d) Bhuvneshwar Kumar (e) Pat Cummins Ans. e
86. The Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has granted air operator's certificate to _____-based Just Udo Aviation Pvt Ltd to operate its airline Fly91.
 (a) Maharashtra (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Goa
 (d) Himachal Pradesh (e) Punjab Ans. c
87. Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan has launched the state's own Over-The-Top (OTT) platform at Kairali Theatre. What is the name of this OTT platform?
 (a) KSpace (b) ASpace (c) PSpace (d) LSpace (e) CSpace Ans. e

88. Which company will start manufacturing fuel used in adrenaline-pumping Formula One or F1 motor racing?
 (a) Hindustan Petroleum (b) Indian Oil Corporation
 (c) Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (d) Reliance Petroleum
 (e) Bharat Petroleum Ans. b
89. In March 2024, which company has acquired edtech platform Udacity?
 (a) Microsoft (b) Apple (c) Infosys (d) Accenture (e) IBM Ans. d
90. The first Bharat Steam Boiler Expo 2024 was held in which city?
 (a) Bengaluru (b) New Delhi (c) Guwahati (d) Ahmedabad (e) Mumbai Ans. c
91. The Union Cabinet has decided to extend the subsidy of _____ per LPG cylinder for up to 12 refills per year till the end of next financial year.
 (a) Rs.200 (b) Rs.250 (c) Rs.280 (d) Rs.300 (e) Rs.350 Ans. d
92. World's largest literary festival 'Sahityotsav' will be held from the 11th to 16th of March. It will organize by which of the following?
 (a) Reliance Foundation (b) KK Birla Foundation (c) Sahitya Akademi
 (d) Infosys Foundation (e) Akanksha Foundation Ans. c
93. Panama has officially become the 97th member of the International Solar Alliance (ISA). Panama is the country of which continent?
 (a) Asia (b) North America (c) Africa (d) South America (e) Europe Ans. b
94. Who has been appointed as the President and MD for SAP Indian Subcontinent?
 (a) Ganesan Kannabiran (b) Manish Prasad (c) Pramod Sharma
 (d) Parminder Chopra (e) Vivek Srivastava Ans. b
95. Which insurance company has launched a non-linked participating product "G.A.I.N" that offers long-term saving or income?
 (a) Bajaj Allianz General Insurance (b) Bharti AXA General Insurance (c) Kotak Life Insurance
 (d) Life Insurance Corporation of India (e) Universal Sompo General Insurance Ans. c
96. Which insurance company has launched a new women's health insurance plan "HEALTH POWHER"?
 (a) Bajaj Allianz General Insurance (b) Bharti AXA General Insurance
 (c) Kotak Mahindra Life Insurance (d) Life Insurance Corporation of India
 (e) Future Generali India Insurance Ans. e
97. Who has won the first prize of National Youth Parliament Festival 2024?
 (a) Anshika Singh (b) Kanishka Sharma (c) Vaishna Pitchai
 (d) Yatin Bhaskar Duggal (e) Radhika Goel Ans. d
98. Which bank has launched a new loan scheme called 'Vikas Spoorty' to strengthen the rural credit delivery system?
 (a) South Indian Bank (b) Karnataka Vikas Grameena Bank (c) Dhanalakshmi Bank
 (d) Karnataka Bank (e) Karur Vyasya Bank Ans. b
99. The Union Cabinet has approved hike in dearness allowance (DA) for central government employees and dearness relief (DR) for pensioners by how much percent with effect from January 1?
 (a) 4% (b) 5% (c) 6% (d) 7% (e) 8% Ans. a
100. The Indian Navy has commissioned its new base _____ at Minicoy Island, Lakshadweep.
 (a) INS Jatayu (b) INS Laxman (c) INS Hanuman (d) INS Megha (e) INS Saryu Ans. a
101. Who is the author of the book titled "The Conspiracy to oust me from the Presidency"?
 (a) Emmanuel Macron (b) Vladimir Putin (c) Giorgia Meloni
 (d) Rishi Sunak (e) Gotabaya Rajapaksa Ans. e
102. Jan Aushadhi Diwas is celebrated every year on which day?
 (a) 6 March (b) 7 March (c) 8 March (d) 9 March (e) 5 March Ans. b

103. International Women's Day is celebrated every year on 8 March. What is the theme of International Women's Day 2024?
 (a) DigitALL: Innovation and technology for gender equality
 (b) Gender equality today for a sustainable tomorrow
 (c) I am Generation Equality: Realizing Women's Rights
 (d) Women in leadership: Achieving an equal future in a COVID-19 world
 (e) Invest in women: Accelerate Progress Ans. e
104. In March 2024, who has launched 52 tourism sector projects worth over Rs 1400 crore under the Swadesh Darshan and Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD) schemes?
 (a) Narendra Modi (b) Amit Shah (c) Rajnath Singh
 (d) Droupadi Murmu (e) Jagdeep Dhankhar Ans. a
105. The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has increased the Minimum Support Price (MSP) for raw jute for the 2024-25 season by _____ to Rs.5,335 per quintal.
 (a) Rs.85 (b) Rs.185 (c) Rs.385 (d) Rs.485 (e) Rs.285 Ans. e
106. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the Sela tunnel in which state?
 (a) Tripura (b) Sikkim (c) Uttarakhand
 (d) Arunachal Pradesh (e) Meghalaya Ans. d
107. The Union Cabinet has approved the proposal of the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) for the Uttar Poorva Transformative Industrialisation Scheme 2024 (UNNATI 2024). What is the financial outlay of this scheme?
 (a) Rs.11,037 crore (b) Rs.12,037 crore (c) Rs.10,037 crore (d) Rs.1,037 crore (e) Rs.10,037 crore Ans. e
108. In March 2024, which country has officially joined NATO as the 32nd member?
 (a) Norway (b) Sweden (c) Ukraine (d) Eritrea (e) Finland Ans. b
109. Bichom has become the 27th district of which state?
 (a) Tripura (b) Sikkim (c) Assam
 (d) Arunachal Pradesh (e) Meghalaya Ans. d
110. With which country's central bank, RBI has signed an MoU to establish a framework to promote local currencies?
 (a) Indonesia (b) Maldives (c) Bhutan (d) Mauritius (e) Sri Lanka Ans. a
111. Moody's Ratings has raised India's GDP growth forecast for FY24 to how much percent from 6.6 per cent on the back of strong domestic consumption and capital expenditure?
 (a) 7% (b) 7.4% (c) 7.5% (d) 7.9% (e) 8% Ans. e
112. The Department of Science and Technology (DST) and start-up ecosystem enabler T-Hub will set up a Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence Technology Hub (MATH) in which city?
 (a) Bengaluru (b) Jaipur (c) Hyderabad (d) Ahmedabad (e) Mumbai Ans. c
113. What is the generation of Advanced Medium Combat Aircraft (AMCA) that was recently approved by the Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS)?
 (a) 2nd (b) 3rd (c) 4th (d) 5th (e) 6th Ans. d
114. Who has been appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director of NHPC Limited?
 (a) Rajendra Prasad Goyal (b) Manish Prasad (c) Pramod Sharma
 (d) Parminder Chopra (e) Vivek Srivastava Ans. a
115. No Smoking Day is celebrated every year on which day?
 (a) 11 March (b) 12 March (c) 8 March (d) 9 March (e) 10 March Ans. d
116. Which of the following defense forces celebrates its raising day on 10 March every year?
 (a) CRPF (b) CISF (c) BSF (d) ITBP (e) NSG Ans. b
117. India will construct how many GPU Supercomputer for self-sufficient AI advancement?
 (a) 100 (b) 1000 (c) 10000 (d) 1100 (e) 11000 Ans. c
118. Who has laid foundation stone of "Experience of Spirituality at Chitrakoot Ghat" project in Chitrakoot, Madhya Pradesh?
 (a) Narendra Modi (b) Amit Shah (c) Rajnath Singh
 (d) Droupadi Murmu (e) Jagdeep Dhankhar Ans. a

119. Which ministry will organize Poshan Pakhwada nationwide from 9 March to 23 March 2024 to spread awareness about nutrition, dietary practices?
 (a) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (b) Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers
 (c) Ministry of Women and Child Development (d) Ministry of Food Processing Industries
 (e) Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution **Ans. c**
120. Who has inaugurated the Agriculture Integrated Command and Control Centre established at Krishi Bhawan in New Delhi?
 (a) Anurag Thakur (b) Arjun Munda (c) Jitendra Singh
 (d) Suresh Prabhu (e) Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya **Ans. b**
121. Who has inaugurated the 5th Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC) Para Games at New Delhi's Thyagaraj Stadium?
 (a) Anurag Thakur (b) Piyush Goyal (c) Jitendra Singh
 (d) Hardeep Singh Puri (e) Amit Shah **Ans. d**
122. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has unveiled a 125-foot bronze statue of 'Ahom general' Lachit Borphukan in Assam's Jorhat. What is the name of this statue
 (a) Statue of Mercy (b) Statue of Scholar (c) Statue of Lachit
 (d) Statue of Valour (e) Statue of Ahom **Ans. d**
123. India has signed a free trade agreement (FTA) with EFTA countries with a target of reaching \$100 billion investment and one million jobs in India. Which of the following countries is NOT the part of EFTA bloc?
 (a) Iceland (b) Liechtenstein (c) Switzerland (d) Norway (e) Luxemburg **Ans. e**
124. In March 2024, Asif Ali Zardari was sworn in as the _____ President of Pakistan.
 (a) 13th (b) 12th (c) 14th (d) 15th (e) 16th **Ans. c**
125. Consider the following points about the Miss World Pageant 2024 that was recently concluded in Mumbai.
 (i) Krystyna Pyszkova from Poland was crowned as the new Miss World 2024.
 (ii) This is the 71st edition that was held in Mumbai.
 (iii) First Runner Up - Yasmina Zaytoun from Lebanon.
 (iv) The Miss World Humanitarian Award was given to Roshini Nadar.
 How many of the given point(s) is/are INCORRECT?
 (a) only one (b) only two (c) only three (d) all are correct (e) all are incorrect **Ans. b**
126. Which country has been bestowed with the prestigious measles and rubella champion award for its exemplary efforts in combating these diseases?
 (a) India (b) Bangladesh (c) Oman (d) Singapore (e) UAE **Ans. a**
127. Which Indian writer has been awarded the 'Erasmus Prize 2024' for highlighting the climate change crisis?
 (a) Amitav Ghosh (b) Vikram Seth (c) Salman Rushdie
 (d) Aravind Adiga (e) Chetan Bhagat **Ans. a**
128. Veteran Umpire Marais Erasmus has announced his retirement from the ICC Elite Panel of Umpires. He is from which country?
 (a) England (b) New Zealand (c) Australia (d) South Africa (e) Ireland **Ans. d**
129. England great James Anderson has become the first fast bowler to take 700 Test wickets. In how many matches has he achieved this feat?
 (a) 187 (b) 133 (c) 145 (d) 198 (e) 200 **Ans. a**
130. The pair of Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty has clinched its second French Open men's doubles badminton title. The pair has defeated whom?
 (a) Lee Jhe-huei and Lee Yang (b) Lee Jhe-Huei and Yang Po-Hsuan
 (c) Wang Chi-lina and Lee Jhe-Huei (d) Lee Yang and Yang Po-Hsuan
 (e) Lee Jhe-Huei and Lee Jhe-huei **Ans. b**
131. The International Day of Women Judges is celebrated every year on which day?
 (a) 11 March (b) 12 March (c) 13 March (d) 14 March (e) 10 March **Ans. e**
132. According to the India Cellular and Electronics Association, India now stands as the world's second-largest producer of mobile phones at the end of the decade 2014-2024 with _____ percent self-sufficiency.
 (a) 95% (b) 96% (c) 97% (d) 98% (e) 99% **Ans. c**

133. Majuli Mask recently bagged the GI Tag. It belongs to which state?
 (a) Tripura (b) West Bengal (c) Assam (d) Manipur (e) Meghalaya Ans. c
134. Union Minister of State, Dr Jitendra Singh has announced the establishment of North India's first Government Homeopathic College in which place?
 (a) Srinagar (b) Karnal (c) Kathua (d) Kishtwar (e) Badgam Ans. c
135. PM Narendra Modi has launched the Mahtari Vandan Yojana in Chhattisgarh. What is the purpose of this scheme?
 (a) To provide 50,000 loans for skilled women (b) To provide free LPG connection for poor women
 (c) To provide free sanitary pad for girls (d) To provide financial assistance for unmarried women
 (e) To provide financial assistance for married women Ans. e
136. Ministry of Jal Shakti has launched the "Jal Shakti Abhiyan: Catch the Rain" Campaign 2024. What is the theme of this Campaign?
 (a) Nari Shakti se Jal Shakti (b) Nari Shakti se Jal Dhara (c) Jal Shakti Catch the Rain
 (d) Jal hai to kal hai (e) Nari Jal Shakti Ans. a
137. Which company has signed an MoU with the Ministry of Rural Development to train members of Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM)'s Women's Self Help Groups (SHGs) under the Lakhpati Didi Yojana?
 (a) Make my trip (b) Easy Trip Planner (c) IndiGo
 (d) IRCTC (e) Red Bus Ans. b
138. Consider the following statements about the National Commission for Scheduled Castes (NCSC) that was news in recently:
 (i) NCSC is a statutory body. (ii) It was established in February 2002.
 (iii) It is under in the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.
 (iv) Luv Kush Kumar assumes charge as Chairman of NCSC.
 How many of the given statement(s) is/are CORRECT?
 (a) only one (b) only two (c) only three (d) all are correct (e) all are incorrect Ans. a
139. Who has been elected as the new President of the Paralympic Committee of India (PCI)?
 (a) R. Chandrashekhara (b) Jayawant Hammanawar (c) Lalit Thakur
 (d) Devendra Hajharia (e) Sunil Pradhan Ans. d
140. Who was sworn in as the Vigilance Commissioner at the Central Vigilance Commission?
 (a) AS Rajeev (b) Arindam Bagchi (c) Indra Mani Pandey
 (d) NS Rao (e) Vivek Murthy Ans. a
141. Manohar Lal Khattar has resigned from his position as the Chief Minister of Haryana. How many Legislative Assembly seats in Haryana?
 (a) 75 (b) 90 (c) 95 (d) 45 (e) 30 Ans. b
142. Which INS participated in Exercise Cutlass Express 24 (CE-24) held at Port Victoria, Seychelle?
 (a) INS Tir (b) INS Sahyadri (c) INS Suvarna (d) INS Talwar (e) INS Androth Ans. a
143. Consider the following pairs about 96th Osacar 2024 Awards that was recently announced:
 I. Best Picture - Poor Things
 II. Best Actress - Emma Stone for Poor Things
 III. Best Director - Cillian Murphy for Oppenheimer
 IV. Best Actor - Christopher Nolan for Oppenheimer
 V. Best Short Film (Live Action) - The Wonderful Story of Henry Sugar
 How many of given pair(s) is/are INCORRECT matched?
 (a) only one (b) only two (c) only three (d) all are correct (e) all are incorrect Ans. c
144. The Ministry of Defence has signed Rs.200 crore contract for anti-drone systems for the Indian Army and Indian Air Force (IAF) with which company?
 (a) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (b) Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited
 (c) Big Bang Boom Solutions Private Limited (d) Tata Advanced Systems
 (e) Bharat Electronics Limited Ans. c

145. Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO) has conducted first successful flight test of indigenously developed Agni-5 missile with MIRV technology. What is the full form of MIRV?
 (a) Multiple Independently Tangible Re-Entry Vehicle
 (b) Multiple Independently Targetable Re-Launch Vehicle
 (c) Multiple Interoperable Targetable Re-Entry Vehicle
 (d) Multiple Independently Towards Re-Entry Vehicle
 (e) Multiple Independently Targetable Re-Entry Vehicle Ans. e
146. Mauritius Day is celebrated every year on which day?
 (a) 11 March (b) 12 March (c) 13 March (d) 14 March (e) 10 March Ans. b
147. In March 2024, Tata Power Solar Systems Limited (TPSSL) has completed India's largest Solar and Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) project in which state?
 (a) Tripura (b) West Bengal (c) Assam
 (d) Andhra Pradesh (e) Chhattisgarh Ans. e
148. The Ministry of Rural Development has signed an MoU with which IIT to formalize their partnership in applications of geospatial technology and artificial intelligence?
 (a) IIT Guwahati (b) IIT Delhi (c) IIT Madras (d) IIT Indore (e) IIT Roorkee Ans. b
149. Mumbai-based tech company Aurionpro Solutions has secured a Rs 100-crore contract from which bank for the licence, implementation and support of its transaction banking platform, iCashpro+?
 (a) State Bank of India (b) Axis Bank (c) UCO Bank
 (d) HDFC Bank (e) Canara Bank Ans. a
150. Which bank has launched the Earth Green Term Deposit Scheme, aimed at raising deposits for financing eligible environment-friendly projects and sectors?
 (a) Bank of Baroda (b) Indian Overseas Bank (c) Union Bank of India
 (d) Karnataka Bank (e) Karur Vyasya Bank Ans. a
151. Which bank has introduced 'PayWear,' a new wearable payment solution, available on Mastercard?
 (a) ICICI Bank (b) Axis Bank (c) IndusInd Bank (d) HDFC Bank (e) Bandhan Bank Ans. c
152. Who has been elected the new Chief Minister of Haryana after the resignation of Manohar Lal Khattar?
 (a) Dushyant Chautala (b) Sachin Pilot (c) Nayab Singh Saini
 (d) Kamal Nath (e) Deepender Singh Hooda Ans. c
153. The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has approved the merger of a financial technology company, Garagepreneurs Internet Pvt Ltd with which Small Finance Bank?
 (a) AU Small Finance Bank Limited (b) Capital Small Finance Bank Limited
 (c) Fincare Small Finance Bank Limited (d) ESAF Small Finance Bank Limited
 (e) North East Small Finance Bank Limited Ans. e
154. Which organization has received \$24.5 million from Green Climate Fund (GCF) for anchored project 'Avaana Sustainability Fund (ASF)'?
 (a) NABARD (b) RBI (c) FCI (d) SEBI (e) SIDBI Ans. e
155. Who has been honored with the 'IAA Golden Compass Award' in March 2024?
 (a) Amitav Ghosh (b) Vikram Seth (c) Jhumpa Lahiri
 (d) Aravind Adiga (e) Srinivasan Swamy Ans. e
156. India's Vishnu Saravanan won the gold medal at the Europa Cup 2024 in the ILCA 7 category in Mallorca, Spain. He is related to which sport?
 (a) Hockey (b) Tennis (c) Badminton (d) Football (e) Sailing Ans. e
157. Who has been appointed as the new Director General of Indian Sugar & Bio-energy Manufacturers Association (ISMA)?
 (a) Rajendra Prasad Goyal (b) Manish Prasad (c) Pramod Sharma
 (d) Deepak Ballani (e) Vivek Srivastava Ans. d
158. World Plumbing Day is celebrated every year on which day?
 (a) 11 March (b) 12 March (c) 13 March (d) 14 March (e) 10 March Ans. a
159. No Smoking Day is celebrated every year on the second _____ of March.
 (a) Monday (b) Tuesday (c) Wednesday (d) Thursday (e) Friday Ans. c

160. India's industrial production grows how much percent in January 2024, according to official data released by the government?
 (a) 3.3% (b) 3.6% (c) 3.8% (d) 4.8% (e) 4.3% Ans. c
161. India has signed a protocol for with which country for establishment of Joint Economic and Trade Committee?
 (a) Dominican Republic (b) Ghana (c) Sudan
 (d) Zimbabwe (e) Oman Ans. a
162. Consider the following statements about the loan agreements approved by the Asian Development Bank (ADB) recently:
 i. India and ADB sign \$200 million loan to tackle flood and erosion risk along Ganga River
 ii. India and ADB sign \$250 million for Delhi-Meerut RRTS
 iii. India, ADB sign \$200 million loan agreement for Uttarakhand power system project
 iv. India, ADB sign \$ 40.5 million loan for childhood development in Manipur
 v. India, ADB sign \$ 181 million loan to improve livability, mobility in Ahmedabad
 How many of the given statement(s) is/are INCORRECT?
 (a) only one (b) only two (c) only three (d) all are correct (e) all are incorrect Ans. b
163. Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Singh Thakur has launched PB-SHABD, a news-sharing service from Prasar Bharati in New Delhi. What is the meaning of second 'B' in 'PB-SHABD'?
 (a) Bharati (b) Broadcast (c) Bharat (d) Boolean (e) Booting Ans. b
164. The Union Cabinet has approved the signing of MoU between India and which country on extending co-operation in the field of Energy Efficiency and Energy Conservation Measures?
 (a) Iran (b) Maldives (c) Bhutan (d) Mauritius (e) Sri Lanka Ans. c
165. According to the data released by the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation, what is the retail inflation in February 2024?
 (a) 5.9% (b) 5.05% (c) 5.95% (d) 5.39% (e) 5.09% Ans. e
166. Which of the following has signed a financing pact with Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) for \$125 million to support financing in rural and peri-urban areas in India, particularly women borrowers?
 (a) State Bank of India (b) LIC Housing Finance (c) L&T Finance Holdings
 (d) HDFC Bank (e) Bandhan Bank Ans. c
167. Kotak Mahindra Bank has sold how much percent stake in KFin Technologies through the open market for Rs 208 crore?
 (a) 2% (b) 3% (c) 4% (d) 9% (e) 17% Ans. a
168. The State Bank of India (SBI) has told the Supreme Court that a total of _____ electoral bonds were purchased by political parties between April 1, 2019 and February 15 this year, out of which _____ were redeemed.
 (a) 22,270; 22,130 (b) 22,217; 22,020 (c) 22,207; 22,030
 (d) 22,217; 22,030 (e) 22,117; 22,030 Ans. d
169. Foreign Secretary Vinay Mohan Kwatra's tenure has been extended by ____ months by the government of India.
 (a) three (b) four (c) six (d) ten (e) eight Ans. c
170. Who have been appointed as new Election Commissioners?
 (a) Utpal Kumar Singh and Pradeep Kumar Tripathi (b) Gyanesh Kumar and Indevar Pandey
 (c) Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Gyanesh Kumar
 (d) Sudhir Kumar Gangadhar Rahate and Gyanesh Kumar
 (e) Sukhbir Singh Sandhu and Sudhir Kumar Gangadhar Rahate Ans. c
171. According to RBI data, The share of private sector banks in total deposits has risen how much percent as of December 2023?
 (a) 32% (b) 34% (c) 36% (d) 38% (e) 40% Ans. b
172. World Kidney Day is observed every year on second _____ of March.
 (a) Tuesday (b) Wednesday (c) Thursday (d) Friday (e) Saturday Ans. c
173. International Day of Action for Rivers is observed every year on March 14. What is the theme of International Day of Action for Rivers?
 (a) River for All (b) Water for All (c) Dams for All (d) Lakes for All (e) Life for All Ans. b

174. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh has approved a proposal for the expansion of the National Cadet Corps (NCC) with the addition of _____ cadet vacancies.
 (a) 2 lakh (b) 1 lakh (c) 3 lakh (d) 4 lakh (e) 5 lakh Ans. c
175. Consider the following statements about the Electric Mobility Promotion Scheme 2024 that was recently launched by Heavy Industries Ministry:
 (i) A total outlay of 100 crore rupees will be implemented the scheme.
 (ii) It will run from 1st April to 30th September 2024.
 (iii) 2-wheelers will be provided a financial support measure of .11,000 per vehicle.
 (iv) .25,000 will be given for purchasing small three-wheelers.
 How many of the given statement(s) is/are INCORRECT?
 (a) only one (b) only two (c) only three (d) all are correct (e) all are incorrect Ans. c
176. PM Modi has recently launched the PM-SURAJ portal national portal to uplift and empower the most marginalized or backward segments of society. What is the full form of PM-SURAJ Portal?
 (a) Pradhan Mantri Samajik Utthan and Rozgar Adhiyan Jankalyan
 (b) Pradhan Mantri Samakisha Utthan and Rozgar Adharit Jankalyan
 (c) Pradhan Mantri Samajik Utthan and Samajik Adharit Jankalyan
 (d) Pradhan Mantri Samajik Urban and Rural Adharit Jankalyan
 (e) Pradhan Mantri Samajik Utthan and Rozgar Adharit Jankalyan Ans. e
177. Which state's cabinet has approved to rename Ahmednagar district as Ahilya Nagar after the 18th-century Maratha queen Ahilyabai Holkar?
 (a) Uttar Pradesh (b) Gujarat (c) Rajasthan
 (d) Maharashtra (e) Madhya Pradesh Ans. d
178. "Dragonfire" which was seen in the news recently. What is this?
 (a) Hydrogen missile (b) Nuclear weapon (c) Anti-Submarine
 (d) Laser weapon (e) Cyclone Ans. d
179. According to the Ministry of Commerce & Industry data, what is the India's wholesale price inflation in February 2024?
 (a) 0.20% (b) 0.25% (c) 0.29% (d) 0.35% (e) 1.20% Ans. a
180. Max India Ltd has signed an MoU with which IIT for senior citizen care?
 (a) IIT Guwahati (b) IIT Delhi (c) IIT Madras
 (d) IIT Bhubaneswar (e) IIT Roorkee Ans. b
181. In March 2024, Reserve Bank of India has issued notices to _____ to stop issuing new co-branded cards.
 (a) Federal Bank, South Indian Bank (b) Axis Bank, IDFC First Bank (c) Yes Bank, HDFC Bank
 (d) HDFC Bank, South Indian Bank (e) IDFC First Bank, South Indian Bank Ans. a
182. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a penalty of Rs 1.4 crore on which bank for non-compliance with certain regulatory norms in March 2024?
 (a) Bank of Baroda (b) Indian Overseas Bank (c) Bank of India
 (d) Karnataka Bank (e) Karur Vyasya Bank Ans. c
183. Consider the following statements about Sahitya Akademi Award 2023:
 (i) 24 writers honoured with Sahitya Akademi Award for 2023
 (ii) The awards were given for literary works including nine books of poetry, six novels, five of short stories, three essays, and one literary study
 (iii) Sanjeev for his novel "Mujhe Pehchaano" received the prestigious award.
 Find the correct statements?
 (a) only i (b) only ii (c) only i & ii (d) only ii & iii (e) All are correct Ans. e
184. Rachin Ravindra has become the youngest cricketer to win the Sir Richard Hadlee Medal. Which team does he play cricket with?
 (a) England (b) New Zealand (c) Australia (d) South Africa (e) Ireland Ans. b

185. Nobel winner Daniel Kahneman passed away recently at the age of 90. In which field did Daniel Kahneman receive the Nobel Prize in 2002?
 (a) Chemistry (b) Peace (c) Physics (d) Economic (e) both a and c Ans. d
186. Pi Day is observed every year on 15 March to commemorate the constant value of Pi and how it simplifies calculations for us. Incidentally, Pi Day is observed on the birth anniversary of renowned which scientist?
 (a) Thomas Edison (b) Marie Curie (c) Albert Einstein
 (d) Larry Shaw (e) Isaac Newton Ans. c
187. Which company will buy 13% of Paramount's stake in Viacom18 for Rs 4,286 crore?
 (a) Reliance (b) Airtel (c) Tata (d) Adani (e) Infosys Ans. a
188. What is the rank of India in the United Nations Human Development Index 2022?
 (a) 131 (b) 142 (c) 99 (d) 89 (e) 134 Ans. e
189. The Government of India has signed a _____ loan agreement with Asian Development Bank (ADB) to enhance access to quality fintech education, research, and innovation at the Gujarat International Finance Tec-City (GIFT-City).
 (a) \$13 million (b) \$23 million (c) \$33 million (d) \$43 million (e) \$53 million Ans. b
190. India's Shipping Ministry has approved waterways projects on Brahmaputra in Assam to boost tourism. What is the total outlay approved by ministry for this project?
 (a) Rs.600 crore (b) Rs.615 crore (c) Rs.625 crore (d) Rs.645 crore (e) Rs.650 crore Ans. d
191. In March 2024, which company has bagged a 200-megawatt (MW) capacity solar power project to be set up at the Gujarat State Electricity Corporation's (GSECL) 1,125 MW RE Park in Khavda?
 (a) ReNew Power (b) Adani Enterprises (c) JSW Energy
 (d) NTPC Limited (e) NHPC Limited Ans. e
192. Consider the following points about the Chameli Devi Jain Award:
 (i) Greeshma Kuthar and Ritika Chopra jointly received the Chameli Devi Jain Award for 2024.
 (ii) The award is given in the field of science.
 (iii) The award was set up by The Media Foundation in 1975.
 (iv) The award is named after Chameli Devi Jain, a freedom fighter and community reformer imprisoned during India's independence movement.
 How many of the given point(s) is/are INCORRECT?
 (a) only one (b) only two (c) only three (d) all are correct (e) all are incorrect Ans. b
193. Who has been appointed as the new Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of Northern Coalfields Limited (NCL)?
 (a) Rajendra Prasad Goyal (b) Manish Prasad (c) Pramod Sharma
 (d) B Sairam (e) Vivek Srivastava Ans. d
194. Mohammad Mustafa has been elected new Prime Minister of which country?
 (a) Mangolia (b) Ghana (c) Sudan (d) Palestinian (e) Oman Ans. d
195. Annabel Sutherland has been named the ICC Women's Player of the Month Award for February 2024. She is from which country?
 (a) England (b) New Zealand (c) Australia (d) South Africa (e) Ireland Ans. c
196. Which team has won the Ranji Trophy 2024?
 (a) Vidarbha (b) Mumbai (c) Assam (d) Vadodara (e) Baroda Ans. b
197. Who has won the Formula One Saudi Arabian Grand Prix 2024?
 (a) Sebastian Vettel (b) Lewis Hamilton (c) Max Verstappen
 (d) Charles Leclerc (e) Sergio Pérez Ans. c
198. Who has released the Book and Video on "Sagar Parikrama" at Rajkot, Gujarat?
 (a) Anurag Thakur (b) Piyush Goyal (c) Parshottam Rupala
 (d) Suresh Prabhu (e) Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya Ans. c
199. World Consumer Rights Day is celebrated annually on which day across the globe?
 (a) 16 March (b) 17 March (c) 13 March (d) 14 March (e) 15 March Ans. e
200. National Immunization Day is celebrated in India on which day every year?
 (a) 16 March (b) 17 March (c) 13 March (d) 14 March (e) 15 March Ans. a

201. Laxminarayan Ramdas passed away recently at the age of 91. He was former chief of which defence force?
 (a) Indian Army (b) Indian Air Force (c) Indian Navy
 (d) Indian Coast Guard (e) ITBP Ans. c
202. Petroleum and Natural Gas Minister Hardeep Singh Puri has launched the alternative auto fuel Ethanol100 in New Delhi. Which company is introducing Ethanol100 as part of a pilot initiative?
 (a) Hindustan Petroleum (b) Indian Oil Corporation
 (c) Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (d) Reliance Petroleum
 (e) Bharat Petroleum Ans. b
203. India and which country have signed an MoU with for law and dispute resolution?
 (a) Tanzania (b) Bangladesh (c) Oman (d) Singapore (e) UAE Ans. d
204. Who has been appointed as the new Chairman of Prasar Bharati?
 (a) Abhishek Singhvi (b) Aryama Sundaram (c) Kishor Kumar Basa
 (d) NK Sehgal (e) Laxman Narasimhan Ans. d
205. In March 2024, SANY India has signed an MoU with which among the following bank, with the goal of stimulating significant growth and development opportunities in the region while providing easier access to its advanced product line and readily available financial solutions?
 (a) ICICI Bank (b) Axis Bank (c) IndusInd Bank (d) J&K Bank (e) Bandhan Bank Ans. d
206. Kotak Mahindra Bank has appointed whom as Group President of One Kotak?
 (a) Pranav Haridasan (b) Joshit Ranjan Sikidar (c) Deepak Mohanty
 (d) Tablesh Pandey (e) Jaideep Hansraj Ans. e
207. Who has been appointed as the new Chairman of the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)?
 (a) Anshika Singh (b) Rahul Singh (c) Vasudha Gupta
 (d) Joyeeta Gupta (e) Raghu Srinivasan Ans. b
208. For which work was Uday Bhatia has been honored with 'Diana Memorial Award'?
 (a) For the invention of low-cost agricultural fertilizers (b) For the invention of light combat drone
 (c) For the invention of low-cost electrical equipment
 (d) For the invention of health mechanism for blind persons
 (e) For the invention of fire related equipment Ans. c
209. The Ministry of Defence (MoD) has signed a contract worth Rs.2,890 crore with which company for the midlife upgrade of 25 Dornier patrol aircraft of the Indian Navy?
 (a) BrahMos Aerospace Private Limited (b) Larsen & Toubro (L&T)
 (c) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (d) Tata Advanced Systems
 (e) Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) Ans. c
210. Which edition of the Joint Military Exercise "LAMITIYE-2024" has been conducted between the Indian Army and Seychelles Defence Forces (SDF) in Seychelles?
 (a) 1st (b) 2nd (c) 8th (d) 10th (e) 14th Ans. d
211. The Indian Army has raised its first squadron of Apache attack helicopters in which place with the aim of supporting ground operations near the Pakistan border?
 (a) Chittorgarh (b) Amritsar (c) Jaisalmer (d) Ahmedabad (e) Jodhpur Ans. e
212. Matthew Wade has announced his retirement from first-class cricket in March 2024, which country does he belong to?
 (a) England (b) New Zealand (c) Australia (d) South Africa (e) Ireland Ans. c
213. Consider the following points about the Women's Premier League 2024 which was concluded recently:
 (i) Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB) beat Delhi Capitals in WPL 2024.
 (ii) Orange Cap won by Ellyse Perry from RCB
 (iii) Purple Cap won by Shreyanka Patil from DC
 (iv) Most Valuable Player award won by Deepti Sharma from DC
 (v) Most Sixes of the Season award won by Shafali Verma from RCB
 How many of the given statement(s) is/are INCORRECT?
 (a) only one (b) only three (c) only four (d) only two (e) all are correct Ans. b

214. Ordnance Factories Day is observed every year on which day?
 (a) 16 March (b) 17 March (c) 18 March (d) 19 March (e) 20 March Ans. c
215. Sadi Mohammad has passed away recently at the age of 70. Who was he?
 (a) Writer (b) Politician (c) Singer (d) Journalist (e) Composer Ans. c
216. Srinagar hosted the first-ever Formula 4 car racing demonstration event on the banks of which lake?
 (a) Dal Lake (b) Wular Lake (c) Nigeen Lake (d) Mansar Lake (e) Kausar Nag Lake Ans. a
217. The Election Commission of India has launched a new mobile application called KYC. This app allows voters to check if any candidate standing for elections in their constituency has a criminal record. What is the meaning of "C" in "KYC"?
 (a) Criminal (b) Candidate (c) Customer (d) Criteria (e) Candidature Ans. b
218. Where is India's First Oil Palm Processing Unit started operation?
 (a) Tripura (b) Sikkim (c) Assam
 (d) Arunachal Pradesh (e) Meghalaya Ans. d
219. The Election Commission has launched a special campaign in which state to boost voter turnout in 414 polling stations with less than 60% voting during the last Lok Sabha polls?
 (a) Maharashtra (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Goa
 (d) Himachal Pradesh (e) Punjab Ans. d
220. Guyana Defence Force will acquire two Dornier 228 aircraft from India. Dornier 228 aircraft is manufactured by which Indian company?
 (a) BrahMos Aerospace Private Limited (b) Larsen & Toubro (L&T)
 (c) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (d) Tata Advanced Systems
 (e) Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) Ans. c
221. Tata Sons will sale how much percent stake in Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) for Rs.9,362.3 crore?
 (a) 0.35 per cent (b) 0.65 per cent (c) 2.5 per cent (d) 1.65 per cent (e) 6.65 per cent Ans. b
222. Tamilisai Soundararajan has recently resigned from the posts of Governor of Telangana and Lieutenant Governor of which UT?
 (a) Lakshadweep (b) Chandigarh (c) Jammu and Kashmir
 (d) Ladakh (e) Puducherry Ans. e
223. Which bank will support Tata Memorial -support National Cancer Grid with Rs 100 crore contribution?
 (a) Federal Bank (b) Axis Bank (c) Yes Bank (d) HDFC Bank (e) IndusInd Bank Ans. b
224. President Vladimir Putin, 71, won Russia's presidential election with 87.8% of the vote, a record post-Soviet landslide. How many years is the tenure of the President of Russia?
 (a) 4 years (b) 5 years (c) 6 years (d) 8 years (e) 10 years Ans. c
225. Who has been appointed as the Managing Director (MD) & Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC) Poonawalla Fincorp?
 (a) Rajnish Kumar (b) Joshit Ranjan Sikidar (c) Arvind Kapil
 (d) Tablesh Pandey (e) Siddhartha Mohanty Ans. c
226. A bilateral tri-service exercise "TIGER TRIUMPH 2024" between India and which country will be held on the Eastern Seaboard from March 18 to 31?
 (a) Australia (b) Russia (c) Japan (d) USA (e) France Ans. d
227. Who will be conferred the 2024 Sangita Kalanidhi award by the Madras Music Academy?
 (a) Amitav Ghosh (b) Vikram Seth (c) Jhumpa Lahiri
 (d) Aravind Adiga (e) Thodur Madabusi Krishna Ans. e
228. Who has been awarded prestigious PV Narasimha Rao Memorial Award for outstanding philanthropic contributions?
 (a) Anna Hazare (b) Dr Manmohan Singh (c) Ratan Tata
 (d) Narendra Modi (e) Ramnath Kovind Ans. c
229. Who among the following has won the Men's Indian Wells ATP 2024 Title?
 (a) Novak Djokovic (b) Rafael Nadal (c) Roger Federer
 (d) Alexander Zverev (e) Carlos Alcaraz Ans. e

230. According to which rating agency, Indian IT service industry growth at 3-5% in FY25?
 (a) Fitch Rating (b) ICRA (c) Moody's (d) Goldman Sachs (e) Morgan Stanley Ans. b
231. Indian Navy has signed an MoU with which IIT to promote technology development, innovative solutions and joint R&D?
 (a) IIT Hyderabad (b) IIT Delhi (c) IIT Madras (d) IIT Kharagpur (e) IIT Roorkee Ans. d
232. Which company has partners with Election Commission of India to identify unlawful content from its platforms?
 (a) X (b) Tinder (c) Meta (d) Google (e) PIB Ans. c
233. The Finance Ministry has notified the issuance of a special commemorative coin of Rs 90 denomination to mark the completion of 90 years of the RBI. In which year RBI was nationalized?
 (a) 1935 (b) 1949 (c) 1947 (d) 1950 (e) 1952 Ans. b
234. According to the Air Quality Report 2023 conducted by Swiss organization IQAir, which of the following is the most polluted capital in the world?
 (a) New Delhi (b) Beijing (c) Dhaka (d) Islamabad (e) Mogadishu Ans. a
235. In which city is India's first Ayurvedic cafe opened?
 (a) Bengaluru (b) New Delhi (c) Hyderabad (d) Ahmedabad (e) Mumbai Ans. b
236. Which bank has partnered with the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) as the Official Banking Partner for Team India at the Paris Olympics 2024?
 (a) South Indian Bank (b) Axis Bank (c) Yes Bank
 (d) HDFC Bank (e) ICICI Bank Ans. c
237. In March 2024, the Reserve Bank of India has imposed how much rupee's penalties on Tamilnad Mercantile Bank for non-compliance with certain directions related to 'interest rate on advances'?
 (a) Rs.1.31 cr (b) Rs.2.31 cr (c) Rs.3.31 cr (d) Rs.4.31 cr (e) Rs.5.31 cr Ans. a
238. Who has been given the additional charge of Governor of Telangana and Lieutenant Governor of Puducherry?
 (a) Gurmit Singh (b) Biswabhusan Harichandan (c) C. P. Radhakrishnan
 (d) S. Abdul Nazeer (e) Anusuiya Uikey Ans. c
239. Who has been appointed as Director General of All India Radio (AIR)?
 (a) Anshika Singh (b) Maushami Chakraborty (c) Vasudha Gupta
 (d) Joyeeta Gupta (e) Sheyphali Sharan Ans. b
240. Famous poet Prabha Varma has been selected for the Saraswati Samman for the year 2023 for her work in Malayalam language for which novel?
 (a) Bharat ke Pracheen bhasha parivar aur Hindi. (b) Pagalkhana
 (c) Pachrang Chola Pahar Sakhi Ri (d) Surya Vamsam (e) Roudra Sathwikam Ans. e
241. World Sparrow Day is celebrated every year on March 20. What is the theme of World Sparrow Day 2024?
 (a) Monitor the Sparrows & other common birds (b) I Love Birds (c) Plants and Sparrow
 (d) Nature for Sparrow (e) I Love Sparrow Ans. e
242. French Language Day is observed every year on which day?
 (a) 16 March (b) 17 March (c) 18 March (d) 19 March (e) 20 March Ans. e
243. International Day of Happiness is observed every year on which day?
 (a) 21 March (b) 22 March (c) 18 March (d) 19 March (e) 20 March Ans. e
244. The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has signed an MoU with which company for the dissemination & promotion of ICAR's initiatives for the growth of Indian Agriculture and farmers' welfare?
 (a) Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation Ltd (b) Krishi Jagran Pvt Ltd
 (c) Agrocorp industries (d) PI Industries Ltd.
 (e) Bayer Crop Science Ltd Ans. b
245. In March 2024, the Competition Commission of India (CCI) has approved acquisition of Kesoram Cement Business from Kesoram Industries Limited by which company?
 (a) Ambuja Cement Ltd (b) Shree Cement Ltd (c) Dalmia Bharat Ltd
 (d) ACC Ltd (e) UltraTech Cement Limited Ans. e

246. Where will be India's 1st Battery Energy Storage GigaFactory?
 (a) Delhi (b) Chandigarh (c) Jammu and Kashmir
 (d) Ladakh (e) Puducherry Ans. c
247. After the resignation of Pashupati Kumar Paras from the Union Council of Ministers, who among the following has been given the additional charge of the Ministry of Food and Processing Industries?
 (a) Anurag Thakur (b) Piyush Goyal (c) Jitendra Singh
 (d) Nitin Gadkari (e) Kiren Rijiju Ans. e
248. Consider the following statements about World Happiness Report 2024:
 (i) India ranks 126th among 143 countries in the report.
 (ii) Finland has become the happiest country in the world.
 (iii) Denmark and Iceland at second and third place, respectively.
 (iv) Afghanistan has been placed at the lowest position in the list of 143 countries.
 How many of the given statement(s) is/are CORRECT?
 (a) only one (b) only two (c) only three (d) all are correct (e) all are incorrect Ans. d
249. Which payments bank has partnered with Noise and Mastercard to launch "A New Way to Pay" to revolutionize contactless payments by redefining and making them more accessible to a wider user base?
 (a) Airtel Payments Bank (b) India Post Payments Bank (c) FINO Payments Bank
 (d) Paytm Payments Bank (e) Jio Payments Bank Ans. a
250. As per the RBI data, Gross Direct Tax collections for FY 2023-24 register a growth of how much percent?
 (a) 8.74% (b) 28.74% (c) 18.74% (d) 38.74% (e) 48.74% Ans. c
251. Who has been appointed as the CEO of Leading FMCG maker P&G India?
 (a) Rajendra Prasad Goyal (b) Manish Prasad (c) Pramod Sharma
 (d) Kumar Venkatasubramanian (e) Vivek Srivastava Ans. d
252. Who has been recently appointed Indian ambassador to Russia?
 (a) Sapna Singh (b) T. Armstrong Changsan (c) Soumendu Bagchi
 (d) Abhilasha Joshi (e) Vinay Kumar Ans. e
253. Which country hosted the 3rd Summit for Democracy?
 (a) South Korea (b) USA (c) Japan (d) Australia (e) Germany Ans. a
254. Prabowo Subianto has been elected as new President of which of the following country?
 (a) Mangolia (b) Ghana (c) Sudan (d) Namibia (e) Indonesia Ans. e
255. Which IIT has developed an indigenous electric standing wheelchair called 'NeoStand'?
 (a) IIT Guwahati (b) IIT Delhi (c) IIT Madras (d) IIT Indore (e) IIT Roorkee Ans. c
256. World Poetry Day is celebrated every year on 21 March. What is the theme of World Poetry Day 2024?
 (a) The Environment
 (b) Celebrating the forefathers of our nation who set the path for 70 years of Legislation
 (c) Door to Door (d) Feel expression and communication.
 (e) Standing on the Shoulders of Giants Ans. e
257. World Forestry Day, also known as International Day of Forests, is celebrated every year on which day?
 (a) 21 March (b) 22 March (c) 23 March (d) 19 March (e) 20 March Ans. a
258. World Oral Health Day is celebrated every year on which day?
 (a) 21 March (b) 22 March (c) 18 March (d) 19 March (e) 20 March Ans. e
259. Grid Controller of India Limited (GRID-INDIA) achieved a significant milestone by being conferred with the status of Miniratna Category-I Central Public Sector Enterprise (CPSE). In which year GRID-INDIA was established?
 (a) 2010 (b) 2011 (c) 2009 (d) 2008 (e) 2012 Ans. c
260. 47th Meeting of the National Committee of Archivists (NCA) was concluded in which city?
 (a) Bengaluru (b) New Delhi (c) Chennai
 (d) Srinagar (e) Thiruvananthapuram Ans. d

261. Which edition of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Startup Forum was organized in New Delhi in March 2024?
 (a) 1st (b) 2nd (c) 3rd (d) 4th (e) 5th Ans. d
262. International Telecommunication Union (ITU) elected which country as co-chair of its Digital Innovation Board?
 (a) Maldives (b) Mauritius (c) USA (d) India (e) Finland Ans. d
263. Who has been named as new skipper of Indian Premier League (IPL) franchise Chennai Super Kings (CSK)?
 (a) Ruturaj Gaikwad (b) Rachin Ravindra (c) Devon Conway
 (d) Ravindra Jadeja (e) Ajinkya Rahane Ans. a
264. In March 2024, which bank has announced a USD 250 million loan commitment for new-age entrepreneurs?
 (a) City Union Bank (b) Indian Overseas Bank (c) DBS Bank India
 (d) Karnataka Bank (e) Karur Vyasya Bank Ans. c
265. Who has been elected as the President of the Indian Steel Association (ISA)?
 (a) Anshika Singh (b) Radhika Goel (c) Naveen Jindal (d) Shivani Tyagi (e) Lokesh M Ans. c
266. Who has been appointed as the new Mumbai municipal commissioner by the Election Commission of India (ECI)?
 (a) Smita Sarangi (b) Arindam Bagchi (c) Indra Mani Pandey
 (d) Bhushan Gagrani (e) Senthil Pandian C Ans. d
267. Who has been elected as Chairman of Indian Banks' Association (IBA) for 2023-24?
 (a) Madhav Nair (b) N Kamakodi (c) S L Jain
 (d) Dinesh Kumar Khara (e) M V Rao Ans. e
268. IMT TRILAT (Tri Lateral Exercise) have been conducted between which of the following countries from 21 to 29 Mar 2024?
 (a) India, Mongolia, Tajikistan (b) India, Mauritius, Tanzania (c) India, Mozambique, Taiwan
 (d) India, Malta, Thailand (e) India, Mozambique, Tanzania Ans. e
269. World Down Syndrome Day is observed every year on which day?
 (a) 21 March (b) 22 March (c) 23 March (d) 19 March (e) 20 March Ans. a
270. World Water Day is celebrated every year on 22 March. What is the theme of World Water Day 2024?
 (a) Water for All (b) Water for Peace (c) Water for Tree
 (d) Water for Environment (e) Save Water, Save Environment Ans. b
271. Bihar Day is celebrated every year on which day?
 (a) 21 March (b) 22 March (c) 23 March (d) 24 March (e) 20 March Ans. b
272. International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination is observed every year on which day?
 (a) 21 March (b) 22 March (c) 23 March (d) 19 March (e) 20 March Ans. a
273. India has launched 'Operation Indravati' to evacuate its citizens stranded in war-torn _____ amid the intense fighting between the armed groups and the government.
 (a) Syria (b) Ukraine (c) Haiti (d) Myanmar (e) Iran Ans. c
274. Who has been appointed as the new chairman of Surat Diamond Bourse (SDB)?
 (a) Ganesan Kannabiran (b) Neeraj Akhoury (c) Govind Dholakia
 (d) Harshvardhan Bansal (e) Anant Maheshwari Ans. c
275. IT services and consultation company Tech Mahindra has collaborated with which company to set up a 'Synergy Lounge' in its Sinin its Singapore campus, to assist enterprises in operationalizing and deriving value from next-gen technologies?
 (a) IBM (b) Google (c) Samsung (d) Microsoft (e) Apple Ans. a
276. Who has been appointed as chairperson of the Digital News Publishers Association (DNPA) for two years?
 (a) Anshika Singh (b) Maushami Chakraborty (c) Vasudha Gupta
 (d) Mariam Mammen Mathew (e) Sheyphali Sharan Ans. d
277. Which country recently banned disposable E-Cigarettes and Vapes?
 (a) England (b) New Zealand (c) Australia (d) South Africa (e) Ireland Ans. b
278. Sharath Kamal will be the Indian team's flagbearer for the Paris Olympics 2024. He is related to which sport?
 (a) Tennis (b) Shotgun (c) Badminton (d) Wushu (e) Archery Ans. a

279. Who has become the first-ever Indian to win a men's singles trophy at a WTT Feeder Series event in Beirut, Lebanon?
 (a) G. Sathiyam (b) Sharath Kamal (c) Harmeet Desai (d) Manav Thakkar (e) None of above Ans. a
280. Which company has been awarded in the gold category for the prestigious 'The GEEF Global Environment Award 2024' in the power industry?
 (a) ReNew Power (b) Adani Enterprises (c) JSW Energy
 (d) NTPC Limited (e) THDC India Limited Ans. e
281. Who has been honoured with 'Devi Shankar Awasthi Samman' for 2023?
 (a) Deepak Shenoy (b) Neeli Bendapudi (c) Nishant
 (d) Shanti Lakra (e) Deepika Misra Ans. c
282. Which edition of North East Games 2024 begins in Nagaland?
 (a) 1st (b) 2nd (c) 3rd (d) 4th (e) 5th Ans. c
283. Shaheed Diwas is observed in India on which day in remembrance of the three brave martyrs of the nation?
 (a) 21 March (b) 22 March (c) 23 March (d) 24 March (e) 20 March Ans. c
284. World Tuberculosis (TB) Day is observed every year on March 24th. What is the theme of World Tuberculosis Day 2024?
 (a) Invest to End TB. Save Lives (b) The Clock is Ticking
 (c) Celebrating Leaders for a TB Free World (d) It's Time
 (e) Yes! We can end TB Ans. e
285. World Meteorological Day is observed every year on which day?
 (a) 21 March (b) 22 March (c) 23 March (d) 24 March (e) 20 March Ans. c
286. The International Day for the Right to the Truth Concerning Gross Human Rights Violations and for the Dignity of Victims is observed every year on which day?
 (a) 21 March (b) 22 March (c) 23 March (d) 24 March (e) 25 March Ans. d
287. International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade is observed every year on which day?
 (a) 21 March (b) 22 March (c) 23 March (d) 24 March (e) 25 March Ans. e
288. Former captain Saeed Ahmed passed away recently at the age of 86. He was related to which sport?
 (a) Hockey (b) Weightlifting (c) Kabaddi (d) Football (e) Cricket Ans. e
289. Election Commission of India has launched an application to facilitate easier voting for Persons-with-Disabilities (PWDs). What is the name of this application?
 (a) Samartha (b) Seva (c) Saksham (d) Swarth (e) Sumangala Ans. c
290. Bharat Biotech International Limited has started clinical trials of vaccine MTBVAC on adults in India. MTBVAC is the vaccine of which disease?
 (a) Cervical Cancer (b) Tuberculosis (c) HIV (d) Breast cancer (e) Bubonic Plague Ans. b
291. Which edition of the assembly of Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) led by Rajya Sabha Deputy Chairman Harivansh in Geneva, Switzerland?
 (a) 145th (b) 148th (c) 150th (d) 151st (e) 152nd Ans. b
292. Consider the following points about Hurun Global Rich List 2024 that was recently published:
 (i) Mumbai overtakes Beijing as Asia's billionaire capital. (ii) Elon Musk is the wealthiest man in the world.
 (iii) The US regained its position as the city with the most billionaires (New York), followed by London.
 (iv) China is still the world's Number One when it comes to billionaires.
 How many of the given point(s) is/are CORRECT?
 (a) only one (b) only two (c) only three (d) all are correct (e) all are incorrect Ans. d
293. According to the report Brand Finance Insurance 2024, which insurance company has emerged as the strongest insurance brand globally?
 (a) HDFC Life Insurance (b) SBI Life Insurance (c) Cathay Life Insurance
 (d) Life Insurance Corporation of India (e) China Life Insurance Ans. d

294. Which bank has launched a RuPay smart key chain called 'Flash Pay' for contactless NCMC (National Common Mobility Card) payments at enabled metro stations and PoS terminals?
 (a) Federal Bank (b) Axis Bank (c) Yes Bank
 (d) HDFC Bank (e) IndusInd Bank Ans. a
295. The union government has allocated how much rupees to Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) under the recapitalization scheme?
 (a) 6100 cr (b) 6200 cr (c) 6300 cr (d) 6400 cr (e) 6500 cr Ans. b
296. Star Housing Finance (Star HFL) has partnered with which finance company to leverage the domain of Star HFL in low-ticket affordable housing finance space?
 (a) Muthoot Finance (b) Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services Limited
 (c) Shriram Transport Finance Corporation Ltd.
 (d) LIC Housing Finance (e) Tata Capital Housing Finance Ans. e
297. Who is the author of the book titled "From A Car Shed To The Corner Room & Beyond"?
 (a) Amartya Sen (b) Arvind Subramanian (c) Raghuram Rajan
 (d) Dr. Manmohan Singh (e) S Raman Ans. e
298. Soumendu Bagchi has been appointed as India's next envoy to which country?
 (a) Iran (b) Iraq (c) UAE (d) Syria (e) Saudi Arabia Ans. a
299. All-rounder Collins Obuya has announced retirement from cricket recently. He is from which country?
 (a) Kenya (b) Bangladesh (c) Australia (d) South Africa (e) Ireland Ans. a
300. India's Sreeja Akula won the women's singles title at the WTT Feeder Beirut II 2024 tournament at the Al Kawthar Secondary School in Lebanon. She is related to which sport?
 (a) Table Tennis (b) Shotput (c) Badminton (d) Wushu (e) Archery Ans. a
301. Who has won the Formula 1 Australian Grand Prix 2024 Title?
 (a) Sebastian Vettel (b) Lewis Hamilton (c) Max Verstappen
 (d) Carlos Sainz (e) Sergio Pérez Ans. d
302. International Day of Solidarity with Detained and Missing Staff Members is observed every year on which day?
 (a) 26 March (b) 27 March (c) 23 March (d) 24 March (e) 25 March Ans. e
303. World Purple Day, also known as Epilepsy Awareness Day is observed every year on which day?
 (a) 26 March (b) 27 March (c) 28 March (d) 29 March (e) 25 March Ans. a
304. World Theatre Day is celebrated every year on which day?
 (a) 26 March (b) 27 March (c) 28 March (d) 29 March (e) 25 March Ans. b
305. French aerospace and defence firm, Starburst Accelerator SARL has partnered with which IIT to set up an innovative hub for start-ups with €100 million in funding support?
 (a) IIT Hyderabad (b) IIT Delhi (c) IIT Madras (d) IIT Kanpur (e) IIT Roorkee Ans. c
306. Adani Ports has acquired 95% stake of Gopalpur Port from SP Group for Rs 3,080 crore. Gopalpur Port located in which state?
 (a) Kerala (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Odisha
 (d) Andhra Pradesh (e) Gujarat Ans. c
307. Which company has inked foreign currency loan agreements worth JPY 30 billion with the Japan Bank for International Co-operation (JBIC) for Renewable Project?
 (a) ReNew Power (b) Adani Enterprises (c) JSW Energy
 (d) NTPC (e) Torrent Power Ans. d
308. The government will borrow how much rupees between April 1 and September 30, 2024?
 (a) 5.5-lakh crore (b) 6.5-lakh crore (c) 7.5-lakh crore (d) 8.5-lakh crore (e) 9.5-lakh crore Ans. c
309. Which of the following has received online payment aggregator licences by RBI in March 2024?
 (a) Z to Infinity (b) Nitai Infotech (c) Vnetalgo
 (d) Innoviti Payments (e) all of above Ans. d
310. S&P Global has increased India's gross domestic product (GDP) growth forecast for the financial year 2024-25 (FY25) to how much percent?
 (a) 6.6% (b) 6.4% (c) 6.8% (d) 7.2% (e) 7.6% Ans. c

311. Which Small Finance Bank has partnered with Veefin Solutions Ltd to enhance supply chain finance offerings for MSMEs?
 (a) AU Small Finance Bank Limited (b) Capital Small Finance Bank Limited
 (c) Fincare Small Finance Bank Limited (d) Shivalik Small Finance Bank
 (e) Ujjivan Small Finance Bank Ans. e
312. The Reserve Bank has imposed a penalty of how much rupees on Nashik-based Janalaxmi Cooperative Bank for non-compliance with regulations?
 (a) 50.90 lakh (b) 59.90 lakh (c) 69.90 lakh (d) 79.90 lakh (e) 89.90 lakh Ans. b
313. Who took oath as judicial member of Lokpal in March 2024?
 (a) Anshika Singh (b) Maushami Chakraborty (c) Ritu Raj Awasthi
 (d) Joyeeta Gupta (e) Raghu Srinivasan Ans. c
314. Luis Montenegro has been named as Prime Minister of which country?
 (a) Netherland (b) Portugal (c) Brazil (d) Finland (e) Scotland Ans. b
315. Who has been selected for the appointment as Director in the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)?
 (a) Anshika Singh (b) Maushami Chakraborty (c) Vasudha Gupta
 (d) Joyeeta Gupta (e) Hansha Mishra Ans. e
316. Michel Talarand has been awarded the Abel Prize 2024 by the Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters. For which achievement has Talarand been given this award?
 (a) Developing a new way of understanding rational homotopy theory
 (b) For their foundational contributions to theoretical computer science and discrete mathematics
 (c) Pioneering use of methods from probability & dynamics in group theory, number theory and combinatorics
 (d) Problems in the Theory of Automorphic Forms
 (e) For his work in probability theory and stochastic processes. Ans. e
317. Senior diplomat Abhay Thakur has been appointed as the India's next envoy to which country?
 (a) Sri Lanka (b) Ghana (c) Sudan (d) Zimbabwe (e) Myanmar Ans. e
318. Lakshmi Narayanan Seshu, lovingly called Lollu Sabha Seshu, passed away recently at the age of 60. Who was he?
 (a) Writer (b) Politician (c) Actor (d) Social Worker (e) Historian Ans. c
319. The State-owned hydropower giant NHPC has inked a loan agreement of JPY 20 billion (around Rs 1,100 crore) with the Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC) for developing a 300 MW solar project in which state?
 (a) Uttar Pradesh (b) Gujarat (c) Rajasthan
 (d) Maharashtra (e) Madhya Pradesh Ans. c
320. In March 2024, which of the following organizations cancelled the registration of Karvy Investor Services Ltd. (KISL) as a merchant banker for breach of eligibility criteria?
 (a) NABARD (b) RBI (c) IRDAI (d) SEBI (e) SIDBI Ans. d
321. Which bank acquired a 100 per cent stake in Sonata Finance Private Limited for Rs 537 crore in MArch 2024?
 (a) Federal Bank (b) Axis Bank (c) IndusInd Bank
 (d) HDFC Bank (e) Kotak Mahindra Bank Ans. e
322. India was participated 2nd G20 Employment Working Group Meeting in which country?
 (a) Netherland (b) Denmark (c) Brazil (d) Finland (e) Scotland Ans. c
323. Romy Alqahtani, a 27-year-old model, would be the first participant from which country in the international beauty pageant in Miss Universe event?
 (a) Iran (b) Iraq (c) UAE (d) Syria (e) Saudi Arabia Ans. e
324. Nidhu Saxena has been appointed as Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer (MD & CEO) of which bank for three years in March 2024?
 (a) State Bank of India (b) Axis Bank (c) UCO Bank
 (d) Bank of Maharashtra (e) Canara Bank Ans. d
325. Who has been appointed as the Director General of the National Investigation Agency (NIA)?
 (a) Anish Dayal Singh (b) Sadanand Vasant Date (c) Vineet McCarty
 (d) Umesh Mishra (e) Subodh Kumar Jaiswal Ans. b

326. Who has become Eveready's new brand ambassador?
 (a) Neeraj Chopra (b) Yami Gautam (c) Pankaj Tripathi
 (d) Mahendra Singh Dhoni (e) Rajkummar Rao Ans. a
327. Bassirou Diomaye Faye has been elected as the new president of which country?
 (a) Sri Lanka (b) Ghana (c) Senegal (d) Zimbabwe (e) Oman Ans. c
328. Sita Ram Meena has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to which country?
 (a) Sri Lanka (b) Ghana (c) Sudan (d) Niger (e) Myanmar Ans. d
329. Which IPL team recently broke the record for the highest-ever total in IPL history?
 (a) Chennai Super Kings (b) Mumbai Indians (c) Sunrisers Hyderabad
 (d) Royal Challengers Bengaluru (e) Lucknow Super Giants Ans. c
330. Which of the following countries will host the Women's Asia Cup 2024 from 19 July to 28 July 2024?
 (a) India (b) Bangladesh (c) Oman (d) Singapore (e) Sri Lanka Ans. e
331. Who is the author of the book titled "Code-Dependent: Living in the Shadow of AI", which explores the impact of AI on human society, shortlisted for the 2024 inaugural Women's Prize for Non-Fiction?
 (a) Amitav Ghosh (b) Vikram Seth (c) Jhumpa Lahiri
 (d) K.K. Shailaja (e) Madhumita Murgia Ans. e
332. World Piano Day is celebrated annually on which day?
 (a) 28 January (b) 29 January (c) 30 January (d) 31 January (e) 27 January Ans. a
333. Where is the world's largest single-location copper manufacturing plant owned by Adani located?
 (a) Uttar Pradesh (b) Gujarat (c) Rajasthan
 (d) Maharashtra (e) Madhya Pradesh Ans. b
334. What is the name of India's first AI-based film?
 (a) YONO (b) HOGAN (c) LUMPI (d) SUVA (e) IRAH Ans. e
335. Consider the following points about the world's first Om-Shaped Temple that was recently inaugurated:
 (i) The World's first-ever Om-shaped temple was inaugurated in the village of Jadan in Rajasthan's Pali district.
 (ii) The Om-shaped temple was designed in Nagara Style.
 (iii) The topmost section houses a shivling made of rhinestone sourced from Dholpur.
 (iv) It can hold 1,008 idols of Lord Mahadev and 12 Jyotirlingas within its sacred boundaries.
 How many of the given point(s) is/are INCORRECT?
 (a) only one (b) only two (c) only three (d) all are correct (e) all are incorrect Ans. d
336. Tata Passenger Electric Mobility (TEPM) has signed an MoU with which company to set up 5,000 electric vehicle charging stations across India?
 (a) Hindustan Petroleum (b) Indian Oil Corporation
 (c) Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (d) Reliance Petroleum
 (e) Bharat Petroleum Ans. a
337. Which institute has partnered with Europe's Starburst Aerospace to boost the aerospace, new space, and defence (ASD) industry in India?
 (a) IIT Guwahati (b) IIT Delhi (c) IIT Madras (d) IIM Mumbai (e) IISc Bengaluru Ans. d
338. Which of the followings bank will raise Rs 10,000 crore through long-term infra bonds to fund infrastructure projects?
 (a) Bank of India (b) Axis Bank (c) UCO Bank
 (d) Bank of Maharashtra (e) Canara Bank Ans. a
339. Which bank has launched the digital US dollar Fixed Deposits (FD) tailored for Non-Resident Indian (NRI) customers at the IFSC Banking Unit (IBU) situated in GIFT City?
 (a) Federal Bank (b) Axis Bank (c) Yes Bank
 (d) HDFC Bank (e) IDFC First Bank Ans. b
340. Who has been appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of the New India Assurance Company?
 (a) Smita Sarangi (b) Girija Subramanian (c) Indra Mani Pandey
 (d) Tanu Singh (e) Vivek Murthy Ans. b

341. Who has been elected as the new Chairman of Automotive Tyre Manufacturers' Association (ATMA)?
 (a) Abhishek Singhvi (b) Aryama Sundaram (c) Arnab Banerjee
 (d) Harshvardhan Bansal (e) Laxman Narasimhan Ans. c
342. In March 2024, Income Tax department has levied a penalty of Rs 564.44 crore on which bank for various disallowances?
 (a) Bank of India (b) Axis Bank (c) State Bank of India
 (d) Bank of Maharashtra (e) Canara Bank Ans. a
343. Who has been awarded the prestigious Times Power Icon 2024 Award by the Times Group?
 (a) Deepak Shenoy (b) Neeli Bendapudi (c) Vijay Jain
 (d) Shanti Lakra (e) Deepika Misra Ans. c
344. Which IIT will host the 6th Shaastra Rapid FIDE Rated Chess Tournament?
 (a) IIT Guwahati (b) IIT Delhi (c) IIT Madras
 (d) IIT Bhubaneswar (e) IIT Roorkee Ans. c
345. Which has tested the first aircraft named 'Mark 1A', the advanced version of fighter jet Tejas in March 2024?
 (a) BrahMos Aerospace Private Limited (b) Larsen & Toubro (L&T)
 (c) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (d) Tata Advanced Systems
 (e) Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) Ans. c
346. The second edition of IMT Trilateral Exercise (TRILAT 24) concluded at Nacala, Mozambique recently. Which of the following countries are the part of IMT Trilateral Exercise 2024?
 (a) India, Myanmar and Tanzania (b) India, Mozambique and Thailand
 (c) India, Mozambique and Tanzania (d) India, Mozambique and Tajikistan
 (e) India, Mozambique and Turkey Ans. c
347. International Day of Zero Waste is celebrated every year on which day?
 (a) 28 March (b) 29 March (c) 30 March (d) 31 March (e) 27 March Ans. c
348. When is the Rajasthan Diwas celebrated every year?
 (a) 28 March (b) 29 March (c) 30 March (d) 31 March (e) 27 March Ans. c

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