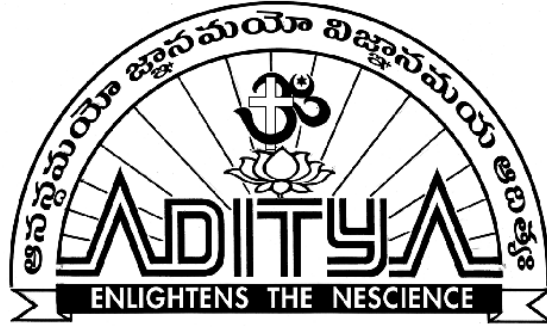


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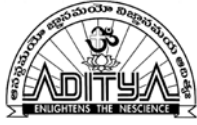
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1. Which country has initiated the process of investing \$2 billion in food parks in India?
(a) Netherland (b) Mauritius (c) USA (d) Singapore (e) UAE Ans. e
2. The Gujarat government will introduce a submarine service for tourists in the state, to help them explore the marine life in Dwarka, an ancient city believed to be lost under the sea. For this project Gujarat government has signed MoU with which company?
(a) Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders (b) Hindustan Shipyard (c) ABG Shipyard
(d) Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers (e) Cochin Shipyard Limited Ans. a
3. Defence Secretary, Giridhar Aramane has inaugurated a new design and test facility at Aero Engine Research and Development Centre (AERDC) of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) in which city?
(a) Bengaluru (b) Hyderabad (c) Chennai
(d) Greater Noida (e) Thiruvananthapuram Ans. a
4. Hardeep Singh Puri has inaugurated the National Street Food Festival 2023 in which city?
(a) Bengaluru (b) New Delhi (c) Chennai (d) Greater Noida (e) Indore Ans. b
5. What is the revised return on the Sukanya Samridhi Account Scheme (SSAS) for the first quarter of 2024?
(a) 7.2% (b) 8.2% (c) 6.9% (d) 7.7% (e) 8.5% Ans. b
6. Who has been appointed as Chairman of the 16th Finance Commission?
(a) Ritvik Ranjanam Pandey (b) Arvind Panagariya (c) NK Singh
(d) B.V.R. Subrahmanyam (e) Suman Bery Ans. b
7. Who has been appointed as the Deputy Executive Director (Management) of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) by United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres?
(a) Monica Ferro (b) Kofi Annan (c) Andrew Saberton
(d) Amina J. Mohammed (e) Ban Ki-moon Ans. c
8. Which edition of the Joint Military Exercise Desert Cyclone, between India & UAE, will be conducted from 02 Jan to 15 Jan 2024 in Rajasthan?
(a) 1st (b) 2nd (c) 3rd (d) 4th (e) 5th Ans. a
9. In January 2024, The Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) has launched _____X-ray Polarimeter Satellite (XPoSat) from the Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota.
(a) C54 (b) C55 (c) C58 (d) C60 (e) C52 Ans. c
10. David Warner has recently announced his retirement from One Day Internationals (ODIs). Which country does he belong to?
(a) England (b) New Zealand (c) Australia (d) South Africa (e) Ireland Ans. c
11. Global Family Day is celebrated every year on which day?
(a) 1 January (b) 2 January (c) 3 January (d) 4 January (e) 5 January Ans. a
12. Which state government will observe 15 January every year as state sports day?
(a) Uttar Pradesh (b) Gujarat (c) Rajasthan
(d) Maharashtra (e) Madhya Pradesh Ans. d
13. Gujarat has set a Guinness record for performing mass Surya Namaskar simultaneously at _____ places in the state on the first day of the new year.
(a) 51 (b) 101 (c) 108 (d) 121 (e) 150 Ans. c
14. In January 2024, Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma has flagged off how many electric buses for pollution-free Guwahati?
(a) 100 (b) 200 (c) 300 (d) 400 (e) 500 Ans. b
15. Reliance Power has inked an agreement to sell its 1,200 MW Kalai II hydroelectric project for Rs 128.39 crore to THDC India. Kalai II hydroelectric project is located in which state?
(a) Arunachal Pradesh (b) Sikkim (c) Himachal Pradesh
(d) Maharashtra (e) Uttarakhand Ans. a

16. Prime Minister Narendra Modi will attend the three-day annual conference of Director Generals and Inspector Generals of Police in which city?
(a) Bengaluru (b) Jaipur (c) Hyderabad (d) Ahmedabad (e) Mumbai Ans. b
17. Recently, which country has officially declined the invitation to join the BRICS (Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa) grouping of major emerging economies?
(a) Argentina (b) Ethiopia (c) Saudi Arabia (d) Egypt (e) Iran Ans. a
18. How much lakh crore rupees were GST collected in December 2023?
(a) 1,45,867 crore (b) 1,64,882 crore (c) 1,72,003 crore (d) 1,60,122 crore (e) 1,67,929 crore Ans. b
19. Who has been appointed as the new Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of Power Grid Corporation (PGC)?
(a) Anshika Singh (b) Ravindra Kumar Tyagi (c) Vasudha Gupta
(d) Ipsita Dasgupta (e) Raghu Srinivasan Ans. b
20. Veteran banker Ashok Vaswani has taken over as the Managing Director (MD) and CEO of the Kotak Mahindra Bank. He has replaced whom?
(a) Rajnish Kumar (b) Dipak Gupta (c) Deepak Mohanty
(d) Uday Kotak (e) Siddhartha Mohanty Ans. b
21. Felix Tshisekedi has been re-elected as the president of Congo. What is the currency of Congo?
(a) Dollar (b) Pound (c) Franc (d) Peso (e) Krone Ans. c
22. Who has won the Girls' Under-19 Title at the 2023 Scottish Junior Open squash held in Edinburgh?
(a) Dipika Pallikal (b) Anshika Singh (c) Shreya Ghosa
(d) Joshna Chinnappa (e) Anahat Singh Ans. e
23. DRDO's Foundation Day is observed on January 1 every year. In which year DRDO was established?
(a) 1950 (b) 1952 (c) 1958 (d) 1968 (e) 1971 Ans. c
24. Copyright Law Day is celebrated every year on which day?
(a) 1 January (b) 2 January (c) 3 January (d) 4 January (e) 5 January Ans. a
25. World Day of Peace is celebrated every year on which day?
(a) 1 January (b) 2 January (c) 3 January (d) 4 January (e) 5 January Ans. a
26. Rajnath Singh has inaugurated its first all-girls Sainik School in which city of Uttar Pradesh?
(a) Ayodhya (b) Varanasi (c) Kanpur (d) Lucknow (e) Vrindavan Ans. e
27. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated a new terminal building at Tiruchirappalli International Airport in which state?
(a) Kerala (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Odisha
(d) Andhra Pradesh (e) Telangana Ans. b
28. Recently, which city has achieved 100% saturation in 'Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra'?
(a) Bengaluru (b) Panaji (c) Bhubaneswar (d) Udhampur (e) Mumbai Ans. d
29. The Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities has organized which edition of Divya Kala Mela in Surat, Gujarat?
(a) 10th (b) 12th (c) 14th (d) 16th (e) 20th Ans. b
30. Which Union Territory has become the first Union Territory to implement the PM Vishwakarma Yojana (PMVY) in the country?
(a) Delhi (b) Chandigarh (c) Jammu and Kashmir
(d) Ladakh (e) Puducherry Ans. c
31. Who has been appointed as the new Defence Minister of China?
(a) Dhoi Soo-jong (b) Shin Ye-eun (c) Hwang Kwanghee
(d) Dong Jun (e) Choi Soo-jong Ans. d
32. How much total transaction value was done through UPI in the year 2023?
(a) Rs.8-lakh crore (b) Rs.28-lakh crore (c) Rs.18-lakh crore
(d) Rs.22-lakh crore (e) Rs.14-lakh crore Ans. c
33. Popular Queen Margrethe II to step down after 52 years on throne. She is the Queen of which country?
(a) Denmark (b) France (c) Brazil (d) Finland (e) Scotland Ans. a
34. Who has been appointed as the Director General of Fire Service, Civil Defence & Home Guards?
(a) Ganesan Kannabiran (b) Neeraj Akhoury (c) Pramod Sharma
(d) Parminder Chopra (e) Vivek Srivastava Ans. e

35. Kia India has appointed Gwanggu Lee as the new Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer with immediate effect. Kia is the company of which country?
(a) South Korea (b) USA (c) Japan (d) Australia (e) Germany Ans. a
36. Flipkart co-founder Binny Bansal has launched a new e-commerce start-up to help emerging e-commerce brands expand globally. What is the name of this startup?
(a) InDoor (b) OutDoor (c) OppDoor (d) AppDoor (e) eDoor Ans. c
37. Beatrice Chebet smashed the women's world 5km record in Barcelona. She is from which country?
(a) Kenya (b) Ghana (c) Sudan (d) Zimbabwe (e) Oman Ans. a
38. World Introvert Day is observed every year on which day?
(a) 1 January (b) 2 January (c) 3 January (d) 4 January (e) 5 January Ans. b
39. Legal scholar Professor Ved Prakash Nanda passed away recently. In which year was he given the Padma Bhushan award?
(a) 2015 (b) 2018 (c) 2020 (d) 2021 (e) 2022 Ans. b
40. Which of the following has declared 2024 as the 'Year of Human Resource Development and Discipline'?
(a) NABARD (b) RBI (c) IREDA (d) SEBI (e) SIDBI Ans. c
41. Which company has become the first Indian company to receive International Sustainability and Carbon Certification (ISCC)-Plus?
(a) Reliance Industries Limited (b) Larsen & Toubro (L&T)
(c) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (d) Tata Advanced Systems
(e) Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) Ans. a
42. Which company will invest Rs.211 crore (\$ 25.712 million) over a five-year period for exploration stage activities of five lithium blocks in Fiambala area of Argentina?
(a) Adani Group (b) Tata Group (c) Reliance Industries Limited
(d) Khanij Bidesh India Ltd (e) NTPC Limited Ans. d
43. The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has approved the Punjab government's purchase of a private thermal plant, Goindwal Sahib Thermal Power Plant, for _____.
(a) Rs. 1,180 crore (b) Rs. 1,280 crore (c) Rs. 1,380 crore (d) Rs. 1,080 crore (e) Rs. 980 crore Ans. d
44. Which country has taken over the chairmanship of BRICS for 2024?
(a) Saudi Arabia (b) China (c) Russia (d) India (e) UAE Ans. c
45. Who has become the first woman to hold a \$100 billion fortune, according to the Bloomberg Billionaires Index?
(a) Neeta Ambani (b) Roshni Nadar (c) Miriam Adelson
(d) Francoise Bettencourt Meyers (e) Liliane Bettencourt Ans. d
46. PM Narendra Modi has inaugurated the Kochi-Lakshadweep Islands submarine optical fiber connection (KLI-SOFC) project. What is the total link distance of this cable?
(a) 1068 km (b) 1168 km (c) 1868 km (d) 1668 km (e) 1268 km Ans. c
47. Who has been nominated by the National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) as the Chairman of the Supreme Court Legal Services Committee?
(a) Justice Sharad Arvind Bobde (b) Justice D.Y. Chandrachud (c) Justice Uday Lalit
(d) Justice N. V. Ramana (e) Justice BR Gavai Ans. e
48. Nadia Calviño has been appointed as the president of the European Investment Bank (EIB). She is from which country?
(a) France (b) Italy (c) UK (d) Spain (e) Canada Ans. d
49. The Maharashtra government has approved the Maharashtra Drone Mission (MDM) to harness drone technology. This five-year implementation plan has been prepared based on a report by which IIT's experts?
(a) IIT Guwahati (b) IIT Delhi (c) IIT Madras (d) IIT Bombay (e) IIT Roorkee Ans. d
50. Hyderabad & Bengaluru Airports have bagged global second and third positions in the Circum's on-time performance review 2023. Which airport has topped the list?
(a) St Paul International Airport (b) Changi Airport (c) Charles de Gaulle airport
(d) Haneda Airport (e) Hong Kong airport Ans. a

51. India Ratings and Research (Ind-Ra) has upgraded the rating of PNB Housing Finance Company's Non-Convertible Debentures (NCDs) to _____ from 'IND AA' with stable outlook.
(a) IND A+ (b) IND AA+ (c) IND AB+ (d) IND B+ (e) IND BB+ Ans. b
52. Which bank has introduced Super Special Fixed Deposit with an incredibly enticing interest rate of 7.50% per annum?
(a) Bank of Baroda (b) Indian Overseas Bank (c) Bank of India
(d) Karnataka Bank (e) Karur Vyasya Bank Ans. c
53. Who has been honoured with the prestigious MS Swaminathan Award in recognition of his contributions as a scientist and extension specialist in the field of agronomy?
(a) Amitav Ghosh (b) Vikram Seth (c) B R Kamboj (d) Aravind Adiga (e) Priya A.S. Ans. c
54. World Braille Day is observed every year on which day?
(a) 6 January (b) 7 January (c) 8 January (d) 4 January (e) 5 January Ans. d
55. IIT Madras has partnered with which company to build "Asia's first" Hyperloop test track facility in Tamil Nadu?
(a) ArcelorMittal (b) TP renewable Microgrid (c) Steel Authority of India
(d) NTPC Limited (e) Torrent Power Ans. a
56. Which state has been ranked first in recording the highest entry rate on the Inter-Operable Criminal Justice System (ICJS) platform, conceptualized by the Supreme Court's e-committee and implemented by the Ministry of Home Affairs?
(a) Uttar Pradesh (b) Gujarat (c) Rajasthan
(d) Maharashtra (e) Madhya Pradesh Ans. a
57. The Kerala Government has recently launched K-SMART, which will bring all services of the three-tier local self-government institutions on a unified digital platform. What is the meaning of 'T' in 'K-SMART'?
(a) Traverse (b) Timeline (c) Tech (d) Transformation (e) Transfer Ans. d
58. Which country's PM is to be the Chief Guest at the 10th Vibrant Gujarat Global Investors Summit to be held from January 10-12 in Gandhinagar?
(a) France (b) Italy (c) UK (d) Spain (e) Czech Republic Ans. e
59. Who has inaugurated Mega Expo under the theme "Emerging StartUp Trends in North India" at Kathua, Jammu and Kashmir?
(a) Narendra Modi (b) Amit Shah (c) Rajnath Singh
(d) Droupadi Murmu (e) Jagdeep Dhankhar Ans. e
60. Which state government has reduced the qualifying age for old-age pension for tribals and Dalits to 50 years from the previous 60 years?
(a) Tripura (b) Jharkhand (c) Assam (d) Bihar (e) Meghalaya Ans. b
61. Which state government has launched the upgraded social welfare pension of Rs.3,000 per month with an expanded reach to cover 66.34 lakh beneficiaries?
(a) Maharashtra (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Odisha
(d) Andhra Pradesh (e) Kerala Ans. d
62. Which country will become the first European country to issue digital Schengen visas to visitors for the upcoming Olympics?
(a) France (b) Italy (c) UK (d) Spain (e) Germany Ans. a
63. India Ratings and Research (Ind-Ra) has revised India's GDP growth estimate for FY24 to how much percent from 6.2 percent?
(a) 6.3% (b) 6.4% (c) 6.6% (d) 6.7% (e) 6.9% Ans. d
64. Which bank will launch a Data Analytics center in Bengaluru?
(a) State Bank of India (b) Punjab National Bank (c) UCO Bank
(d) Indian Bank (e) Canara Bank Ans. e
65. Who has been appointed as Spokesperson of the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA)?
(a) Vinay Mohan Kwatra (b) Ruchira Kamboj (c) Randhir Jaiswal
(d) T. S. Tirumurti (e) Anurag Srivastava Ans. c
66. Who has been appointed as Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief, of Western Naval Command (WNC)?
(a) Anish Dayal Singh (b) Sujoy Lal Thaosan (c) Sanjay Jasjit Singh
(d) Pankaj Kumar Singh (e) Subodh Kumar Jaiswal Ans. c

67. Which state government has decided to declare January 22 as a "dry day" as the consecration of Ram temple will take place in Ayodhya on that day?
(a) Uttar Pradesh (b) West Bengal (c) Assam (d) Karnataka (e) Chhattisgarh Ans. e
68. Prabir Majumdar passed away recently at the age of 77. He was related to which sport?
(a) Hockey (b) Tennis (c) Badminton (d) Football (e) Cricket Ans. d
69. Which of the following has inked a MoU with ISRO's National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC) to develop and report a 'Green Cover Index' for the extensive network of the Indian National Highways?
(a) Border Roads Organisation (b) Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
(c) National Highways Authority of India (d) Larsen & Toubro
(e) National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited Ans. c
70. Which company has signed an MoU with Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL) to extend financial support of up to Rs 35,000 crore for infrastructure projects over the next five years?
(a) ReNew Power (b) Adani Enterprises (c) REC Limited
(d) NTPC Limited (e) Torrent Power Ans. c
71. Which state government has distributed loans totaling Rs 6,55,684 crore in the last six and a half years to boost the Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSME) sector in state?
(a) Uttar Pradesh (b) Gujarat (c) Rajasthan
(d) Maharashtra (e) Madhya Pradesh Ans. a
72. Which of the following cities will host the International Kite Festival 2024?
(a) Varanasi (b) Leh (c) Bhubaneswar (d) Ahmedabad (e) Ayodhya Ans. e
73. India's External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar will represent India at the 19th Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) Summit in which country?
(a) Sri Lanka (b) Ghana (c) Uganda (d) Zimbabwe (e) Oman Ans. c
74. State-owned REC Ltd has signed an MoU with which bank to jointly offer loans for power, infrastructure, and logistics projects in India over the next three years?
(a) Bank of Baroda (b) Indian Overseas Bank (c) Union Bank of India
(d) Karnataka Bank (e) Karur Vysya Bank Ans. a
75. State Bank of India (SBI) has raised _____ through issuance of the Green Notes to fund sustainable projects.
(a) USD 100 million (b) USD 150 million (c) USD 250 million
(d) USD 200 million (e) USD 350 million Ans. c
76. Who has been appointed as the MD & CEO of the National Asset Reconstruction Company (NARCL)?
(a) Rajnish Kumar (b) P Santhosh (c) Deepak Mohanty
(d) Tablesh Pandey (e) Siddhartha Mohanty Ans. b
77. Who has been elected as the president of the All-India Rubber Industries Association (AIRIA)?
(a) Ganesan Kannabiran (b) Neeraj Akhoury (c) Pramod Sharma
(d) Shashi Singh (e) Anant Maheshwari Ans. d
78. Who has been appointed as Vice Chief of the Naval Staff (VCNS)?
(a) Anish Dayal Singh (b) Sujoy Lal Thaosen (c) M A Ganapathy
(d) Dinesh K. Tripathi (e) Subodh Kumar Jaiswal Ans. d
79. Who has been appointed as the MD & CEO of National Investment and Infrastructure Fund Limited (IIFL)?
(a) Anshika Singh (b) Sadhna Saxena Nair (c) Vasudha Gupta
(d) Ipsita Dasgupta (e) Sanjiv Aggarwal Ans. e
80. Who has been appointed as the Chief Executive Officer of the Indian Olympic Association (IOA)?
(a) Raghuram Iyer (b) Sourav Kothari (c) Mohammad Azharuddin
(d) Kapil Dev (e) Sourav Ganguly Ans. a
81. The United States of America (USA) declares _____ as National Bird Day to raise awareness of the significance of birds to our ecosystem.
(a) 6 January (b) 7 January (c) 8 January (d) 4 January (e) 5 January Ans. e
82. World Day of War Orphans is observed every year on which day?
(a) 6 January (b) 7 January (c) 8 January (d) 4 January (e) 5 January Ans. a

83. Union Home Minister Amit Shah has inaugurated the 58th DGSP/IGSP Conference 2023 in which city?
(a) Bengaluru (b) Jaipur (c) Hyderabad (d) Ahmedabad (e) Mumbai Ans. b
84. The Union Cabinet has approved the signing of MoU between India and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID/India) to support Indian Railways in achieving 'net zero carbon emission' by which year?
(a) 2025 (b) 2028 (c) 2030 (d) 2040 (e) 2047 Ans. c
85. Ayodhya Airport has been renamed "_____ " reflecting the historical and cultural significance of the region.
(a) Kalidasa International Airport, Ayodhyadham
(b) Vishvamitra International Airport, Ayodhyadham
(c) Dasharatha International Airport, Ayodhyadham
(d) Maharishi Valmiki International Airport, Ayodhyadham
(e) Dasharatha International Airport, Ayodhyadham Ans. d
86. Union Ports, Shipping, and Waterways Minister Sarbananda Sonowal has chaired the first Inland Waterways Development Council Meeting in which city?
(a) Bengaluru (b) Kolkata (c) Chennai
(d) Greater Noida (e) Thiruvananthapuram Ans. b
87. Who has chaired the 'National PACS Mega Conclave' on 'Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) as Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Aushadhi Kendra at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi?
(a) Anurag Thakur (b) Piyush Goyal (c) Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya
(d) Suresh Prabhu (e) Amit Shah Ans. e
88. Who has etched her name in the annals of music history by setting a new world record for singing in the most languages during a single concert in the UAE?
(a) Suchetha Satish (b) Sonu Nigam (c) Mohit Chauhan
(d) Sunidhi Chauhan (e) Javed Ali Ans. a
89. Who has been appointed as Executive Director of Asian Development Bank (ADB)?
(a) Vikas Sheel (b) Smita Sarangi (c) Kalyan Revella
(d) Tanu Singh (e) Senthil Pandian C Ans. a
90. Who has been named as a 'Class C' director on the Board of Directors of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York?
(a) Rajiv Shah (b) Neeraj Akhouri (c) Pramod Sharma
(d) Parminder Chopra (e) Vivek Srivastava Ans. a
91. Who has been appointed as the Secretary-General of the Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC)?
(a) Smita Sarangi (b) Arindam Bagchi (c) Indra Mani Pandey
(d) Tanu Singh (e) Senthil Pandian C Ans. c
92. Who has been appointed as CEO of Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone?
(a) Anshika Singh (b) Sadhna Saxena Nair (c) Vasudha Gupta
(d) Ipsita Dasgupta (e) Ashwani Gupta Ans. e
93. According to the National Statistical Office (NSO)'s recent data, the Indian economy will grow by how much percent in the Financial Year 2023-24?
(a) 7.1% (b) 7.2% (c) 7.3% (d) 7.4% (e) 7.5% Ans. c
94. Which company and Stanford University have introduced Mobile ALOHA, a low-cost open-source hardware system for bimanual teleoperation?
(a) Microsoft (b) Apple (c) Infosys (d) Google DeepMind (e) IBM Ans. d
95. Earth's Rotation Day is celebrated every year on which day?
(a) 6 January (b) 7 January (c) 8 January (d) 9 January (e) 10 January Ans. c
96. South African Native National Congress (SANNC) Day is observed every year on which day?
(a) 6 January (b) 7 January (c) 8 January (d) 9 January (e) 10 January Ans. c
97. India and which country have signed a MoU for cooperation in the hydrocarbon sector?
(a) Sri Lanka (b) Ghana (c) Guyana (d) Zimbabwe (e) Oman Ans. c
98. How many Rajya Sabha Members are set to retire in 2024?
(a) 4 (b) 57 (c) 68 (d) 78 (e) 15 Ans. c

99. Which of the following state government will set up a pharma park in the state?
 (a) Uttar Pradesh (b) Gujarat (c) Rajasthan
 (d) Maharashtra (e) Madhya Pradesh Ans. a
100. In which of the following states has Gangasagar Fair started?
 (a) Tripura (b) West Bengal (c) Assam (d) Bihar (e) Meghalaya Ans. b
101. Which of the following countries has officially declared the snow leopard as its national symbol, underscoring its commitment to conservation and ecological balance?
 (a) Turkmenistan (b) Kazakhstan (c) Uzbekistan (d) Tajikistan (e) Kyrgyzstan Ans. e
102. In January 2024, which of the following payments bank has applied to the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for small finance bank license?
 (a) Airtel Payments Bank (b) India Post Payments Bank (c) FINO Payments Bank
 (d) Paytm Payments Bank (e) Jio Payments Bank Ans. c
103. Who has been appointed as the Chairman of the Federation of Associations in Indian Tourism & Hospitality (FAITH)?
 (a) Puneet Chhatwal (b) Neeraj Akhoury (c) Pramod Sharma
 (d) Parminder Chopra (e) Vivek Srivastava Ans. a
104. G Ram Mohan Rao has been appointed as the Executive Director of which of the following organizations for three years?
 (a) NABARD (b) RBI (c) PFRDA (d) SEBI (e) SIDBI Ans. d
105. Bangladesh's Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has been re-elected for a fifth term. What is the name of Sheikh Hasina's party?
 (a) Bangladesh Nationalist Party (b) Bangladesh Congress (c) Bangladesh League
 (d) Jatiya Party (e) Awami League Ans. e
106. Who has been appointed as the first woman Director General of Police (DGP) of Maharashtra?
 (a) Smita Sarangi (b) Arindam Bagchi (c) Rashmi Shukla
 (d) Tanu Singh (e) Senthil Pandian C Ans. c
107. Who has been appointed as the Managing Director (MD) of NIVEA India?
 (a) Anshika Singh (b) Radhika Goel (c) Vasudha Gupta (d) Shivani Tyagi (e) Geetika Mehta Ans. e
108. Who has been appointed as the Secretary of Railway Board?
 (a) Smita Sarangi (b) Radhika Goel (c) Vasudha Gupta (d) Tanu Singh (e) Aruna Nayar Ans. e
109. Swashbuckling batter Heinrich Klaasen has announced retirement from Test cricket. He is from which country?
 (a) England (b) New Zealand (c) Australia (d) South Africa (e) Ireland Ans. d
110. Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD) or NRI Day is celebrated in India every year on which day?
 (a) 6 January (b) 7 January (c) 8 January (d) 9 January (e) 10 January Ans. d
111. In January 2024, which state government has received investment proposals worth Rs.6.64 lakh crore through 631 Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs)?
 (a) Maharashtra (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Gujarat
 (d) Himachal Pradesh (e) Punjab Ans. b
112. India has signed an MoU with which country for small satellite project?
 (a) Iran (b) Maldives (c) Bhutan (d) Mauritius (e) Sri Lanka Ans. d
113. Who has inaugurated and lays foundation stone of 12 National Highway projects with a total length of 105 km worth over Rs 1464 Crore in Kerala?
 (a) Anurag Thakur (b) Piyush Goyal (c) Narendra Modi (d) Nitin Gadkari (e) Amit Shah Ans. d
114. Indian Railways has achieved 6,577 route kilometers electrification in the calendar year 2023. The Indian Railways has set a target to become the world's largest green railway by which year?
 (a) 2027 (b) 2028 (c) 2029 (d) 2030 (e) 2032 Ans. d
115. Which ministry has organized Kala Utsav 2024 in New Delhi?
 (a) Ministry of Culture (b) Ministry of Environment and Forests
 (c) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (d) Ministry of Education
 (e) Ministry of Jal Shakti (Water) Ans. d

116. Union minister Parshottam Rupala has laid the foundation stone for the upgradation of the Paradip Fishing Harbour (PFH) in which state for Rs 108.91 crore?
 (a) Maharashtra (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Odisha (d) Andhra Pradesh (e) Kerala Ans. c
117. Which state government has launched "Yogyasree" scheme to provide free training modules for Scheduled Caste (SC) and Scheduled Tribe (ST) students?
 (a) Tripura (b) West Bengal (c) Assam (d) Bihar (e) Chhattisgarh Ans. b
118. Who has been appointed as the post of Member (Operations & Business Development), Railway Board?
 (a) Smita Sarangi (b) Seema Kumar (c) Indra Mani Pandey
 (d) Tanu Singh (e) Senthil Pandian C Ans. b
119. Gabriel Attal has been elected as the new Prime Minister of which country after the resignation of Elisabeth Borne?
 (a) France (b) Italy (c) UK (d) USA (e) Canada Ans. a
120. Who has been appointed as Member of (Traction & Rolling Stock) in Railway Board in the Ministry of Railways?
 (a) Ganesan Kannabiran (b) Satish Kumar (c) Pramod Sharma
 (d) Parminder Chopra (e) Vivek Srivastava Ans. b
121. Who has been appointed as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of PhonePe's international payments business?
 (a) Anshika Singh (b) Ritesh Pai (c) Vasudha Gupta
 (d) Joyeeta Gupta (e) Raghu Srinivasan Ans. b
122. Which company has launched AI Odyssey to skill 1 lakh developers in India in AI Tech?
 (a) Microsoft (b) Apple (c) Adobe (d) Google (e) Meta Ans. a
123. 23-year-old Divyakriti Singh Rathore of Rajasthan has received the prestigious Arjuna Award from President Droupadi Murmu. She becomes the first Indian Woman Arjuna Awardee for which sport?
 (a) Karate (b) Shotput (c) Wrestling (d) Wushu (e) Equestrian Ans. e
124. World Hindi Day is celebrated every year on 10 January. What is the theme of World Hindi Day 2024?
 (a) Hindi Vishwa Aur Bharatiya Sanskriti
 (b) Hindi-Bridging Traditional Knowledge and Artificial Intelligence (c) Hindi Sanskriti
 (d) To make Hindi a part of public opinion
 (e) Knowledge and Artificial Intelligence Ans. b
125. India will host which session of UNESCO's World Heritage Committee in New Delhi for the first time in July 2024?
 (a) 39th (b) 49th (c) 59th (d) 46th (e) 26th Ans. d
126. Union Health Minister Dr Mansukh Mandaviya has inaugurated 'Prasadam,' the nation's first healthy and hygienic food street in which city?
 (a) Bengaluru (b) New Delhi (c) Ujjain (d) Greater Noida (e) Indore Ans. c
127. Which airport will host the aviation extravaganza "Wings India 2024" from January 18 to 21?
 (a) Indira Gandhi International Airport, Delhi (b) Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru
 (c) Cochin International Airport, Kochi (d) Begumpet Airport, Hyderabad
 (e) Mangaluru International Airport, Mangaluru Ans. d
128. The International Hockey Federation (FIH) has signed a major media rights agreement with which company to broadcast and stream the upcoming FIH Cup?
 (a) Star Sport (b) ESPN (c) Viacom18 (d) Disney Star (e) Sony Pictures Ans. c
129. Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal has inaugurated a mega food show in which city, that aims to promote global trade from the sector?
 (a) Bengaluru (b) Hyderabad (c) Chennai
 (d) Greater Noida (e) Thiruvananthapuram Ans. d
130. Which country has won the United Cup Title 2024?
 (a) Poland (b) USA (c) Japan (d) Australia (e) Germany Ans. e
131. The year 2023 was the planet's hottest on record by a substantial margin and likely the world's warmest in the last 100,000 years. This data was published by which of the following?
 (a) World Meteorological Organization (b) India Meteorological Department (c) NASA
 (d) European Union's Copernicus Climate Change Service
 (e) European Union Meteorological Department Ans. d

132. Which bank has launched the Samman RuPay Credit Card" in partnership with the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)?
 (a) Federal Bank (b) Axis Bank (c) IndusInd Bank
 (d) HDFC Bank (e) Kotak Mahindra Bank Ans. c
133. According to the latest World Bank report, what is the India's GDP growth for FY25?
 (a) 6.4% (b) 6.5% (c) 6.6% (d) 6.7% (e) 6.9% Ans. a
134. Who has been appointed as Additional Secretary and Director General (Acquisition) in the Defence Ministry?
 (a) Smita Sarangi (b) Arindam Bagchi (c) Indra Mani Pandey
 (d) Tanu Singh (e) Samir Kumar Sinha Ans. e
135. Which of the following companies has unveiled the world's first wireless transparent TV "Signature OLED"?
 (a) Apple (b) Panasonic (c) Sony (d) Samsung (e) LG Ans. e
136. The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) is organizing the Startup India Innovation Week 2024 from _____ to _____.
 (a) 11 January - 18 January (b) 10 January - 18 January (c) 12 January - 18 January
 (d) 9 January - 18 January (e) 13 January - 19 January Ans. b
137. The Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO) has launched an indigenous assault rifle" for the armed forces. What is the effective range of this rifle?
 (a) 100 metres (b) 200 metres (c) 300 metres (d) 400 metres (e) 500 metres Ans. e
138. Hindustani classical singer and music maestro Ustad Rashid Khan passed away recently at the age of 55. In which year he was honoured with Padma Bhushan Award, the third-highest civilian award in the country?
 (a) 2019 (b) 2022 (c) 2023 (d) 2017 (e) 2018 Ans. b
139. Franz Beckenbauer has passed away recently at the age of 78. He was related to which sport?
 (a) Hockey (b) Tennis (c) Badminton (d) Football (e) Cricket Ans. d
140. The Government of Maharashtra has declared a new Conservation Reserve in the forest land of _____ district namely 'Atpadi Conservation Reserve'.
 (a) Ahmednagar (b) Amravati (c) Osmanabad (d) Kolhapur (e) Sangli Ans. e
141. Which state government has launched the "Ram Lalla Darshan" (Ayodhya Dham) scheme under which, 20,000 eligible residents of the state will be taken to the holy city for pilgrimage every year?
 (a) Madhya Pradesh (b) West Bengal (c) Assam
 (d) Andhra Pradesh (e) Chhattisgarh Ans. e
142. Who has inaugurated and laid the foundation stones of 29 national highway projects worth Rs 4,000 crore in Punjab?
 (a) Anurag Thakur (b) Piyush Goyal (c) Narendra Modi
 (d) Nitin Gadkari (e) Amit Shah Ans. d
143. In January 2024, Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of multiple development projects worth over 30,500 crore rupees in which state?
 (a) Maharashtra (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Gujarat (d) Himachal Pradesh (e) Punjab Ans. a
144. Which state government has launched the Blue Carbon Agency to preserve and restore coastal ecosystems?
 (a) Maharashtra (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Gujarat
 (d) Himachal Pradesh (e) Punjab Ans. b
145. The International Labour Organization (ILO) has projected a modest rise in the global unemployment rate to how much percent in 2024, citing an increase in joblessness across advanced economies?
 (a) 3.2% (b) 4.2% (c) 5.2% (d) 6.2% (e) 7.2% Ans. c
146. Which country has launched the Green Fuels Alliance India (GFAI) initiative to boost collaborative efforts between the two countries in the sustainable energy solutions sector?
 (a) Netherland (b) Denmark (c) Brazil (d) Finland (e) Scotland Ans. b
147. After Zanzibar, in which country will IIT Madras open its new campus?
 (a) Malaysia (b) Maldives (c) Bhutan (d) Vietnam (e) Sri Lanka Ans. e
148. Who has been appointed as the Managing Director for Experian in India?
 (a) Manish Jain (b) Neeraj Akhoury (c) Pramod Sharma
 (d) Parminder Chopra (e) Vivek Srivastava Ans. a

149. The Rural Development Ministry has signed an MoU with which bank to facilitate enterprise financing for rural self-help groups (SHG)?
 (a) State Bank of India (b) Punjab National Bank (c) UCO Bank
 (d) Indian Bank (e) Canara Bank Ans. a
150. Sheetal Devi, the teenage armless archer who has widely earned recognition for India through her performance in para-archery, was conferred with the Arjuna Award by President Droupadi Murmu. She is from which state/UTs?
 (a) Jammu and Kashmir (b) Gujarat (c) Himachal Pradesh
 (d) Punjab (e) Ladakh Ans. a
151. In Swachh Survekshan Awards 2023, Indore and Surat are the 'cleanest cities' in India. This is the _____ time that Indore has won the accolade of the cleanest city in India.
 (a) 5th (b) 6th (c) 7th (d) 8th (e) 4th Ans. c
152. In January 2024, Adani Group unveiled India's First Medium Altitude Long Endurance Drone for the Navy. What is the name of this drone?
 (a) Srishti 10 'Starliner' (b) Drishti 20 'Starliner' (c) Drishti 10 'Starliner'
 (d) Srishti 20 'Starliner' (e) Dhurv 10 'Starliner' Ans. c
153. Who has been appointed by New Zealand Cricket (NZC) as the bowling coach of the men's team for the upcoming five-match T20I home series against Pakistan?
 (a) Daniel Vettori (b) Brendon McCullum (c) Stephen Fleming
 (d) Chris Cairns (e) Andre Adams Ans. e
154. Rashtriya Yuva Diwas, commonly known as National Youth Day is observed every year on which day?
 (a) 11 January (b) 12 January (c) 13 January (d) 9 January (e) 10 January Ans. b
155. Union Ayush Minister Sarbananda Sonowal has laid the foundation stone of the permanent campus of the Regional Research Institute for Homoeopathy and Integrated Ayush Wellness Centre in which city?
 (a) Bengaluru (b) New Delhi (c) Guwahati (d) Ahmedabad (e) Mumbai Ans. c
156. Which defence force will observe 2024 as the "Year of Technology Absorption"?
 (a) Indian Army (b) Indian Air Force (c) Indian Navy
 (d) Indian Coast Guard (e) National Security Guard Ans. a
157. Civil Aviation Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia has announced the inauguration of five new airports in which state?
 (a) Uttar Pradesh (b) Gujarat (c) Rajasthan
 (d) Maharashtra (e) Uttarakhand Ans. a
158. Which country will publish a bill that will legalize same-sex marriage in a bid to eliminate discrimination based on sexual orientation?
 (a) Netherland (b) Greece (c) Brazil (d) Finland (e) Scotland Ans. b
159. Consider the following statements about the Henley Passport Index 2024:
 (i) France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Singapore, and Spain have been ranked at the top in the Henley Passport Index.
 (ii) Japan and Singapore have continued to top the list for six years now.
 (iii) India and Kazakhstan stand at the 80th rank in the list of most powerful passports with 62 destinations.
 (iv) The least powerful passport in the world is Afghanistan. It ranked at 108th spot with access to 28 countries.
 Find the CORRECT statements-
 (a) Only i (b) Only iii (c) Only i & ii (d) Only iii & iv (e) All are correct Ans. a
160. Indian Bank has partnered with FPL Technologies to launch the 'Indian Bank one co-branded credit card' powered by Visa and RuPay. Where is the headquarters of Indian Bank?
 (a) Bengaluru (b) New Delhi (c) Chennai (d) Gandhinagar (e) Mumbai Ans. c
161. Tshering Tobgay has become prime minister for a second time in which country?
 (a) Malaysia (b) Maldives (c) Bhutan (d) Vietnam (e) Sri Lanka Ans. c
162. Maheshwar Rao has been appointed as Managing Director of which Metro Rail Corporation Limited?
 (a) Bengaluru (b) Jaipur (c) Hyderabad (d) Ahmedabad (e) Mumbai Ans. a
163. Who has been appointed as the Representative of the United States on the Executive Board of the World Health Organization (WHO)?
 (a) Smita Sarangi (b) Arindam Bagchi (c) Indra Mani Pandey
 (d) Tanu Singh (e) Vivek Murthy Ans. e

164. In January 2024, who among the following has been appointed as the member of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)?
 (a) Smita Sarangi (b) Sheel Vardhan Singh (c) Indra Mani Pandey
 (d) Tanu Singh (e) Vivek Murthy Ans. b
165. Which of the following cities has won the 'Cleanest Ganga Towns' Award in the Swachh Survekshan 2023?
 (a) Rishikesh (b) Kanpur (c) Haridwar (d) Varanasi (e) Prayagraj Ans. d
166. Indian Navy will host the which edition of the multi-national exercise MILAN 24 in Visakhapatnam from February 19 to 27, 2024?
 (a) 11th (b) 12th (c) 13th (d) 14th (e) 15th Ans. b
167. National Road Safety Week 2024 will observe from _____ to _____.
 (a) 11 - 17 January (b) 12 - 17 January (c) 13 - 18 January
 (d) 10 - 17 January (e) 9 - 16 January Ans. a
168. Which state government has launched 'Yuva Nidhi' scheme to offer financial aid to graduates and diploma holders who are yet to get a job?
 (a) Uttar Pradesh (b) Karnataka (c) Rajasthan
 (d) Maharashtra (e) Madhya Pradesh Ans. b
169. Which of the following cities has organized the International Camel Festival?
 (a) Jaipur (b) Udaipur (c) Chittorgarh (d) Jodhpur (e) Bikaner Ans. e
170. Who has inaugurated the 27th National Youth Festival in Nashik, Maharashtra?
 (a) Narendra Modi (b) M Venkaiah Naidu (c) Ramnath Kovind
 (d) Droupadi Murmu (e) Jagdeep Dhankhar Ans. a
171. According to which union minister's statements, the first 'Made In India' Memory chip is expected to be produced in Gujarat in 2024?
 (a) Narendra Modi (b) Ashwini Vaishnaw (c) Amit Shah
 (d) Piyush Goyal (e) Anurag Thakur Ans. b
172. The second edition of the International AYUSH Conference and Exhibition has been inaugurated in which city?
 (a) New Delhi (b) Berlin (c) Paris (d) Dubai (e) London Ans. d
173. Which country's parliament has passed a Bill banning the production and sale of dog meat?
 (a) South Korea (b) USA (c) Japan (d) Australia (e) Germany Ans. a
174. Which bank has launched a Green Rupee Term Deposit (SGRTD) of 1,111 days, 1,777 days, and 2,222 days tenor for resident individuals, non-individuals, and NRI customers?
 (a) State Bank of India (b) Axis Bank (c) Yes Bank
 (d) HDFC Bank (e) Canara Bank Ans. a
175. The government has appointed the reappointment of RBI Deputy Governor Michael Patra for how many years?
 (a) 1 year (b) 2 years (c) 3 years (d) 4 years (e) 5 years Ans. a
176. Denmark's King Frederik X took the throne after the abdication of his mother Queen Margrethe II. What is the capital of Denmark?
 (a) Budapest (b) Copenhagen (c) Stockholm (d) Oslo (e) Helsinki Ans. b
177. In January 2024, William Lai was elected president of which country?
 (a) Taiwan (b) Laos (c) South Korea (d) North Korea (e) Japan Ans. a
178. Madhya Pradesh has emerged as the overall champion at the inaugural Beach Games 2024, held at the pristine blue flag-certified Ghoghla Beach in Diu. How many gold medals have been won by Madhya Pradesh in this game?
 (a) 3 (b) 4 (c) 5 (d) 6 (e) 7 Ans. e
179. Armed Forces Veterans Day is celebrated every year on 14th January. The day was first celebrated in which year?
 (a) 2011 (b) 2013 (c) 2014 (d) 2016 (e) 1996 Ans. d
180. International Kite Day is observed every year on which day?
 (a) 17 January (b) 16 January (c) 13 January (d) 14 January (e) 15 January Ans. d
181. Legendary classical singer and Padma Vibhushan recipient Prabha Atre passed away recently at the age of 92. She belonged to which Gharana?
 (a) Kirana Gharana (b) Gwalior Gharana (c) Agra Gharana
 (d) Bhendibazaar Gharana (e) Mewati Gharana Ans. a

182. Renowned Poet Munawwar Rana passed away recently at the age of 71. He was the poet of which language?
(a) Hindi (b) Urdu (c) Sanskrit (d) Marathi (e) Bengali Ans. b
183. Simmtech has signed an MoU with the Gujarat government to set up its plant in Sanand at a cost of Rs.1,250 crore to create a semiconductor ecosystem in the state. Simmtech is the company of which country?
(a) South Korea (b) USA (c) Japan (d) Australia (e) Germany Ans. a
184. The Pench Tiger Reserve (PTR) has been marked as India's first Dark Sky Park and the fifth such park in Asia. Pench Tiger Reserve is located between which of the following two states?
(a) Gujarat and Maharashtra (b) Madhya Pradesh and Gujarat
(c) Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh (d) Rajasthan and Gujarat
(e) Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra Ans. e
185. In January 2024, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has released how much rupees the first installment for pucca homes under the PM-JANMAN Scheme?
(a) Rs.240 crore (b) Rs.340 crore (c) Rs.440 crore (d) Rs.640 crore (e) Rs.540 crore Ans. e
186. India's Defence Minister, Rajnath Singh has approved a proposal to provide insurance cover to casual workers employed by the Border Roads Organization (BRO) to build infrastructure in remote areas. The scheme will provide how much rupees to the families of casual-paid labourers in the event of death?
(a) 5 lakh (b) 10 lakh (c) 15 lakh (d) 25 lakh (e) 21 lakh Ans. b
187. Which of the following state governments has recently declared January 22 as a dry day to mark the consecration of Lord Ram's temple in Ayodhya?
(a) Tripura (b) West Bengal (c) Madhya Pradesh (d) Karnataka (e) Rajasthan Ans. c
188. In January 2024, The Reserve Bank imposed penalties totalling how much crore rupees on Dhanlaxmi Bank, Punjab and Sind Bank, and ESAF Small Finance Bank for contravention of regulatory norms?
(a) 2.29 crore (b) 2.39 crore (c) 2.49 crore (d) 2.69 crore (e) 2.89 crore Ans. c
189. Hyderabad DLabs at the Indian School of Business (ISB) has launched 'Build for Billions' in partnership with Reserve Bank Innovation Hub (RBIH) and which bank?
(a) Punjab & Sind Bank (b) Indian Overseas Bank (c) Union Bank of India
(d) Karnataka Bank (e) Karur Vyasya Bank Ans. c
190. Which company has signed pacts to buy Capital Foods, Organic India?
(a) Smart Point (b) Big Bazar (c) Vishal Mega Mart
(d) Jio Mart (e) Tata Consumer Ans. e
191. According to data released by the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation, what is India's retail inflation in December 2023?
(a) -1.36% (b) -0.26% (c) -0.52% (d) 0.26% (e) 0.73% Ans. e
192. Shaun Marsh has announced his retirement from professional cricket. He is from which country?
(a) England (b) New Zealand (c) Australia (d) South Africa (e) Ireland Ans. c
193. Who has become the first men's player to play 150 T20Is?
(a) Virat Kohli (b) Rohit Sharma (c) KL Rahul
(d) Glenn Maxwell (e) Suryakumar Yadav Ans. b
194. National Startup Day is observed every year on 16 January. In which year was officially declared 16 January as National Startup Day?
(a) 2015 (b) 2016 (c) 2018 (d) 2022 (e) 2023 Ans. d
195. Indian Army Day is celebrated every year on 15 January. This year (2024), _____ Army Day was observed.
(a) 74th (b) 75th (c) 76th (d) 77th (e) 78th Ans. c
196. Global aerospace giant Boeing has opened its first distribution center in which state of India?
(a) Uttar Pradesh (b) Gujarat (c) Rajasthan
(d) Maharashtra (e) Madhya Pradesh Ans. a
197. IndoSpace has signed an MoU with which state government to invest Rs 2,000 crore in the state?
(a) Maharashtra (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Goa
(d) Himachal Pradesh (e) Punjab Ans. b

198. Which company has secured a mega-contract worth Rs 10,000 crore from an authorized Japanese agency to construct an electrification system for the Mumbai-Ahmedabad High-Speed rail project in India?
 (a) Reliance Industries Limited (b) Larsen & Toubro (L&T)
 (c) Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (d) Tata Advanced Systems
 (e) Bharat Electronics Limited Ans. b
199. Which of the following companies has become the first ISO 27001:2022 certified petrochemical organization in the industry by BSI (British Standards Institution)?
 (a) Johnson & Johnson (b) Pfizer (c) Sanofi
 (d) Novartis Petrochemicals Ltd (e) Haldia Petrochemicals Ltd Ans. e
200. Which of the following country will host Ukraine Peace Summit at the request of Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskiy?
 (a) India (b) Russia (c) Japan (d) USA (e) Switzerland Ans. e
201. Which bank has launched the 'Platinum Credit Card' in association with EazyDiner?
 (a) Federal Bank (b) Axis Bank (c) IndusInd Bank
 (d) HDFC Bank (e) Kotak Mahindra Bank Ans. c
202. Which bank has launched SmartFin, an end-to-end digital supply chain finance (SCF) platform, powered by Veefin Solutions?
 (a) South Indian Bank (b) Axis Bank (c) Yes Bank
 (d) HDFC Bank (e) IDFC First Bank Ans. c
203. Which company has regained its status as the most valued public sector undertaking, surpassing the market capitalization of State Bank of India?
 (a) NTPC (b) Axis Bank (c) LIC (d) HDFC Bank (e) ICICI Bank Ans. c
204. Who has been appointed as the Commandant in the Indian Naval Academy?
 (a) Anish Dayal Singh (b) Sujoy Lal Thaoson (c) Vineet McCarty
 (d) Umesh Mishra (e) Subodh Kumar Jaiswal Ans. c
205. Who has assumed charge as the Director General Naval Operations (DGNO)?
 (a) R K Gupta (b) Kalikesh Singh Deo (c) Raj Shukla
 (d) AN Pramod (e) Paritosh Tripathi Ans. d
206. Bengaluru-based space data company, Pixxel has inaugurated its first spacecraft manufacturing facility in which city?
 (a) Bengaluru (b) Hyderabad (c) Chennai
 (d) Greater Noida (e) Thiruvananthapuram Ans. a
207. Indian Navy and which country's navy has conducted the first edition of bilateral exercise 'Ex-Ayutthaya'?
 (a) France (b) Thailand (c) Sri Lanka (d) USA (e) Israel Ans. b
208. Who has inaugurated the 5th Edition of the Meghalaya Games in Tura, Meghalaya?
 (a) Narendra Modi (b) Amit Shah (c) Anurag Thakur
 (d) Droupadi Murmu (e) Jagdeep Dhankhar Ans. d
209. Who has won the ICC Women's Player of the Month Award for December 2023?
 (a) Harleen Deol (b) Ellyse Perry (c) Sarah Taylor
 (d) Smriti Mandhana (e) Deepti Sharma Ans. e
210. Who has won the gold medal in the men's 25m centre fire pistol competition in Jakarta, Indonesia?
 (a) Gagan Narang (b) Saurabh Chaudhary (c) Vijay Kumar
 (d) Abhinav Bindra (e) Yogesh Singh Ans. e
211. Women's Healthy Weight Day is observed every year on which day?
 (a) Third Thursday of January (b) Third Friday of January (c) Third Saturday of January
 (d) Third Sunday of January (e) Third Wednesday of January Ans. a
212. In January 2024, which company has received an order of Rs.695 crore from Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Ltd for the supply of spares related to missile systems?
 (a) Reliance Industries Limited (b) Larsen & Toubro (L&T)
 (c) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (d) Tata Advanced Systems
 (e) Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) Ans. e

213. Union Minister of Fisheries, Parshotham Rupala has launched the project of depositing Artificial Reefs in the seabed in Vizhinjam, Thiruvananthapuram. The project is being implemented under which scheme?
 (a) National Horticulture Mission (b) Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana
 (c) Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (d) Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana
 (e) Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana Ans. b
214. Who has inaugurated the new building of the office of Central Registrar of Cooperative Societies office at the World Trade Centre in New Delhi?
 (a) Narendra Modi (b) Amit Shah (c) Rajnath Singh
 (d) Droupadi Murmu (e) Jagdeep Dhankhar Ans. b
215. Who has inaugurated the 12th General Assembly of the Asian Buddhist Conference for Peace in New Delhi?
 (a) Narendra Modi (b) Amit Shah (c) Rajnath Singh
 (d) Droupadi Murmu (e) Jagdeep Dhankhar Ans. e
216. Secretary of MeitY, S Krishnan has launched two flagship programs – “Centre of Excellence (CoE) in Intelligent Internet of Things (IIoT) Sensors” and “India Innovation Centre for Graphene (IICG)” in which state?
 (a) Kerala (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Odisha
 (d) Andhra Pradesh (e) Telangana Ans. a
217. Consider the following statements about the 2024 Global 500 IT Services Ranking:
 (i) TCS ranked second most valuable IT brand in global list.
 (ii) The rankings released by CSR Finance.
 (iii) TCS’ brand value has surged to \$19.2 billion from \$16.2 billion in 2023.
 (iv) Accenture maintained its position as the world’s most valuable IT services brand.
 How many of the statements give above are CORRECT?
 (a) Only one (b) Only two (c) Only three (d) All are correct (e) All are incorrect Ans. b
218. Consider the following statements about Expo Wings India 2024
 (i) Civil Aviation Minister Jyotiraditya M Scindia inaugurated Wings India 2024.
 (ii) The event was organized by the Airports Authority of India in collaboration with the Ministry and CCI.
 (iii) The event is organized at Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru.
 (iv) The theme of this expo is ‘Connecting India with the World in Amritkal’.
 Find the INCORRECT statements
 (a) only ii (b) only iii (c) only ii & iii (d) only i & iv (e) All are correct Ans. c
219. The Adani Group will invest Rs 12,400 crore in which state in the next few years?
 (a) Maharashtra (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Gujarat
 (d) Andhra Pradesh (e) Telangana Ans. e
220. Which country has introduced the world's first sustainability accreditation framework 'EcoMark Global' for Micro, Small, and Medium-sized Enterprises (MSMEs)?
 (a) Netherland (b) India (c) USA (d) Singapore (e) UAE Ans. e
221. Consider the statements about the Classical Language of India
 (i) Hindi was the first language in India to be accorded classical language status in 2004.
 (ii) The Eighth Schedule of the Indian Constitution lists the official languages of the Republic of India, including 22 languages.
 (iii) India to include Farsi as one of 9 classical languages.
 Find the CORRECT statements
 (a) only i (b) only i & ii (c) only ii & iii (d) All are correct (e) All are incorrect Ans. c
222. Who has been appointed as the Chief Staff Officer (Operations) at the Headquarters of Eastern Naval Command?
 (a) Smita Sarangi (b) Shantanu Jha (c) Indra Mani Pandey
 (d) Tanu Singh (e) Senthil Pandian C Ans. b
223. Consider the following statements about the RuPay Prime Volleyball League 2024
 (i) Hrithik Roshan is appointed as brand ambassador of this league.
 (ii) RuPay Prime Volleyball powered by MPL.
 (iii) In 2024, it will be the 3rd edition of RuPay Prime Volleyball League.
 (iv) This year features ten franchises in the league.
 Find the INCORRECT statements
 (a) Only ii (b) Only i & iii (c) Only ii & iv (d) Only iv (e) All are correct Ans. c

224. Recently, which player has become India's number one chess player, surpassing Vishwanathan Anand?
 (a) R Praggnanandhaa (b) Aravindh Chithambaram (c) Alexandr Predke
 (d) Abhijeet Gupta (e) Jaykumar Sammed Ans. a
225. Indian cricket team captain Rohit Sharma has created history by becoming the first batsman to score _____ centuries in T20 Internationals (T20Is).
 (a) 4 (b) 5 (c) 6 (d) 7 (e) 8 Ans. b
226. Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar has released the book 'Fertilising the Future: Bharat's March Towards Fertilizer Self-Sufficiency'. Who is the author of this book?
 (a) Anurag Thakur (b) Arjun Munda (c) Jitendra Singh
 (d) Suresh Prabhu (e) Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya Ans. e
227. In which city, PM Narendra Modi inaugurates Boeing's new global engineering and technology centre campus?
 (a) Bengaluru (b) Hyderabad (c) Chennai
 (d) Greater Noida (e) Thiruvananthapuram Ans. a
228. Who has released a series of commemorative postage stamps dedicated to the Ram Temple in Ayodhya and a book featuring stamps from around the world honouring the revered deity?
 (a) Narendra Modi (b) Amit Shah (c) Yogi Adityanath
 (d) Droupadi Murmu (e) Jagdeep Dhankhar Ans. a
229. India and which country have agreed to jointly fund scientific research projects in the fields of health, decarbonized hydrogen, marine sciences, and applied mathematics?
 (a) France (b) Russia (c) UK (d) USA (e) Canada Ans. a
230. The Union Cabinet has approved the proposal to set up 1x660 MW thermal power station in Madhya Pradesh and 2x800 MW thermal power plant in Odisha. By which company will these power plants be established?
 (a) ReNew Power (b) Adani Enterprises (c) JSW Energy
 (d) NTPC Limited (e) Coal India Limited Ans. e
231. Consider the following statements about the International Kolkata Book Fair 2024:
 (i) West Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee inaugurated the 49th edition of the International Kolkata Book Fair.
 (ii) The France is the theme country for this year's fair.
 Find the CORRECT statement?
 (a) Only i (b) Only ii (c) Only iii
 (d) Both are correct (e) Both are incorrect Ans. e
232. Which of the following ministries will organize the "Bharat Parv" from 23-31 January at the Lawns and Gyan Path in front of the historic Red Fort in Delhi?
 (a) Ministry of Culture (b) Ministry of Environment and Forests
 (c) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (d) Ministry of Education
 (e) Ministry of Tourism Ans. e
233. Consider the following statements regarding the Finance Commission:
 (i) The Finance Commission is a statutory body that gives suggestions on Centre-State financial relations.
 (ii) The Union Cabinet approved the creation of three posts at the level of Joint Secretary for the 16th Finance Commission.
 (iii) In December 2023, Anoop Singh Pandey was named as the Secretary to the 16th Finance Commission.
 (iv) The 16th Finance Commission chaired by Arvind Panagariya.
 How many of the statements given above are CORRECT?
 (a) Only one (b) Only two (c) Only three (d) All are correct (e) All are incorrect Ans. b
234. Which bank has launched the Money2India app, which allows customers of any Canadian bank to send money to any bank in India?
 (a) South Indian Bank (b) Axis Bank (c) Yes Bank
 (d) HDFC Bank (e) ICICI Bank Ans. e
235. Daljit Singh Chaudhary has been appointed as the Director General of which of the following forces?
 (a) CISF (b) BSF (c) ITBP (d) SSB (e) CRPF Ans. d

236. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved the appointment of Praveen Achuthan Kutty as the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of which bank?
 (a) DCB Bank (b) Indian Overseas Bank (c) Union Bank of India
 (d) Karnataka Bank (e) Karur Vyasya Bank Ans. a
237. Who has been appointed as the CEO of PepsiCo India?
 (a) Ganesan Kannabiran (b) Neeraj Akhoury (c) Pramod Sharma
 (d) Jagrut Kotecha (e) Anant Maheshwari Ans. d
238. Which of the following country is hosting ICC U-19 Cricket World Cup 2024?
 (a) Pakistan (b) Bangladesh (c) Australia (d) South Africa (e) India Ans. d
239. Who will be honored with Assam's highest civilian award 'Assam Baibhav'?
 (a) Justice Sharad Arvind Bobde (b) Justice D.Y. Chandrachud (c) Justice Uday Lalit
 (d) Justice N. V. Ramana (e) Justice Ranjan Gogoi Ans. e
240. Which company has been conferred with the prestigious SCOPE Eminence Award in the category of Women Empowerment for the period 2019-20?
 (a) ReNew Power (b) Adani Enterprises (c) JSW Energy
 (d) NTPC Limited (e) Engineers India Limited Ans. e
241. India and which country have signed an MoU in the field of sharing successful digital solutions implemented at population scale for digital transformation?
 (a) Cuba (b) Ghana (c) Sudan (d) Zimbabwe (e) Oman Ans. a
242. In January 2024, Ethnic Mamani Festival has been celebrated in which place?
 (a) Jammu and Kashmir (b) Guwahati (c) Kolkata
 (d) Ujjain (e) Ladakh Ans. e
243. Who has launched the 'Gaon Chalo Abhiyaan' in Delhi, a nationwide campaign to connect with rural and urban communities?
 (a) Narendra Modi (b) Amit Shah (c) Arvind Kejriwal
 (d) Droupadi Murmu (e) JP Nadda Ans. e
244. Who has inaugurated the National Skill Training Institute in Hyderabad, Telangana?
 (a) Anurag Thakur (b) Piyush Goyal (c) Jitendra Singh
 (d) Sarbananda Sonowal (e) G Kishan Reddy Ans. e
245. Who has laid the foundation stone for Ayush Diksha Centre in Odisha?
 (a) Anurag Thakur (b) Piyush Goyal (c) Jitendra Singh
 (d) Sarbananda Sonowal (e) Amit Shah Ans. d
246. In January 2024, Hardeep Singh Puri launched the first pilot project to make jet fuel from alcohol in which city?
 (a) Bengaluru (b) Hyderabad (c) Chennai
 (d) Pune (e) Thiruvananthapuram Ans. d
247. In January 2024, A Popular Festival known as 'Gole Mela' has been organized in which temple?
 (a) Shree Padmanabhaswamy Temple (b) Shree Somnath Jyotirlinga Temple
 (c) Shree Arulmigu Ramanathaswamy Temple (d) Jagannath Temple
 (e) Ram Temple Ans. d
248. Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya and Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel have laid the foundation stone of Khodaldham Trust Cancer Hospital in which city of the state?
 (a) Surat (b) Ahmedabad (c) Rajkot (d) Gandhinagar (e) Vadodara Ans. c
249. Union Cabinet Minister Kiren Rijiju has inaugurated the Young Scientist Conference at India International Science Festival 2023 in which city?
 (a) Bengaluru (b) New Delhi (c) Chennai
 (d) Faridabad (e) Thiruvananthapuram Ans. d
250. Union Minister of Mines, Coal, and Parliamentary Affairs, Pralhad Joshi has inaugurated the 2nd State Mining Ministers' Conference in which city?
 (a) Bengaluru (b) New Delhi (c) Chennai (d) Bhopal (e) Mumbai Ans. d

251. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the Ram Mandir in Ayodhya, marking a momentous occasion in India's history. The Ram Lalla idol has been crafted by which sculptor?
 (a) Ramkinkar Baij (b) Anish Kapoor (c) Ram V. Sutar
 (d) Sompura family (e) Arun Yogiraj Ans. e
252. Bernardo Arevalo was sworn in as president of which country?
 (a) Nicaragua (b) Honduras (c) Ecuador (d) Guatemala (e) El Salvador Ans. d
253. State-owned Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA) has partnered with which bank to co-finance renewable energy projects in India?
 (a) Bank of Baroda (b) Indian Overseas Bank (c) Union Bank of India
 (d) Karnataka Bank (e) Karur Vyasya Bank Ans. b
254. Which bank has launched its new deposit scheme '360'?
 (a) Bank of Baroda (b) Indian Overseas Bank (c) Union Bank of India
 (d) Karnataka Bank (e) Karur Vyasya Bank Ans. a
255. Which insurance company has launched a new saving and annuity plan "Jeevan Dhara II"?
 (a) Bajaj Allianz General Insurance (b) Bharti AXA General Insurance
 (c) Kotak Mahindra Life Insurance (d) Life Insurance Corporation of India
 (e) Universal Sompo General Insurance Ans. d
256. Which of the following airports have jointly bagged the best airport award for the year at the 4th edition of "The Wings India Awards" in the Civil Aviation Sector?
 (a) Hyderabad & Delhi Airports (b) Ayodhya & Delhi Airports
 (c) Bangalore & Hyderabad Airports (d) Bangalore & Mumbai Airports
 (e) Bangalore & Delhi Airports Ans. e
257. Who is the author of the book titled "Assam's Braveheart Lachit Barphukan"?
 (a) Amitav Ghosh (b) Vikram Seth (c) Jhumpa Lahiri
 (d) Arup Kumar Dutta (e) Priya A.S. Ans. d
258. Tata Group has won the right to remain the IPL title sponsor for which year for Rs 2500 crore?
 (a) 2026 (b) 2028 (c) 2030 (d) 2029 (e) 2032 Ans. b
259. Which of the following states have NOT celebrated its foundation day on 21 January?
 (i) Tripura (ii) Mizoram (iii) Meghalaya (iv) Manipur (v) Arunachal Pradesh
 (a) only i & ii (b) only i, iii & iv (c) only i, ii & iii (d) only ii & v (e) All are correct Ans. d
260. Parakram Diwas is observed every year on 23 January to mark the birth anniversary of which freedom fighter?
 (a) Jawaharlal Nehru (b) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel (c) Swami Vivekananda
 (d) Rajendra Prasad (e) Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Ans. e
261. World's tallest statue of Dr BR Ambedkar, who is known as the architect and developer of the Indian Constitution, was unveiled in which city of Andhra Pradesh by the state government?
 (a) Visakhapatnam (b) Tirupati (c) Amaravati (d) Kurnool (e) Vijayawada Ans. e
262. Which foundation will Build 'Masjid Muhammed bin Abdullah' Mosque in Ayodhya?
 (a) Muslim Education Foundation (b) Islamic Culture Centre (c) Iqra Altruism Association
 (d) Indo-Islamic Cultural Foundation (e) Indian Muslim Educational Social & Charitable Trust Ans. d
263. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has recently launched 'Pradhan Mantri Suryodaya Yojana'. This is a government scheme under which how many houses will get rooftop solar energy system?
 (a) 1 crore (b) 10 crore (c) 11 crore (d) 15 crore (e) 21 crore Ans. a
264. The Indian stock market has pipped Hong Kong to become the _____ -highest equity market globally.
 (a) Third (b) Fourth (c) Fifth (d) Sixth (e) Second Ans. b
265. The "Hal-5-23" system has been seen in the news recently. What is this?
 (a) Drone System (b) NASA's Telescope
 (c) Underwater nuclear weapons system (d) Artillery Gun (e) World's Fastest Super Computer Ans. c
266. In January 2024, which of the following countries has been certified malaria-free country by WHO?
 (a) Mauritius (b) Côte d'Ivoire (c) Burundi (d) Comoros (e) Cabo Verde Ans. e

267. Who has been appointed as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Jindal Stainless Ltd?
 (a) Ganesan Kannabiran (b) Tarun Khulbe (c) Pramod Sharma
 (d) Parminder Chopra (e) Vivek Srivastava Ans. b
268. The government of Uttar Pradesh has announced the prestigious 'UP Gaurav Samman' award for two distinguished personalities – eminent scientist Dr Ritu Karidhal Srivastava and renowned entrepreneur Naveen Tewari. Dr Ritu played an important role in the development of which mission of India?
 (a) Chandrayaan-2 (b) Mangalyaan (c) Chandrayaan-3 (d) Aditya-L1 (e) Gaganyaan Ans. b
269. In January 2023, which country has become the 5th country to achieve a soft moon landing with the successful deployment of the Smart Lander for Investigating Moon (SLIM) spacecraft?
 (a) South Korea (b) France (c) Japan (d) Australia (e) Germany Ans. c
270. Who has been awarded the Polly Umrigar Award for the best men's cricketer of the year for 2023 by BCCI?
 (a) Virat Kohli (b) Rohit Sharma (c) KL Rahul
 (d) Shubman Gill (e) Suryakumar Yadav Ans. d
271. Tai Tzu Ying won the first women's singles title at the India Open Title defeating Chen Yu Fei in a dominant straight-game victory. She is from which country?
 (a) South Korea (b) North Korea (c) Japan (d) Taiwan (e) China Ans. d
272. Which city will become the new host of the Spanish Grand Prix starting from 2026?
 (a) Bengaluru (b) Paris (c) Dubai (d) Greater Noida (e) Madrid Ans. e
273. Consider the following statements about the 'Cyclone Exercise'
 (i) This exercise is conducted between India and Egypt.
 (ii) In January 2024, the 2nd edition of this exercise was conducted.
 (iii) In January 2024, this exercise was conducted at Meghalaya.
 How many of the statements given above are CORRECT?
 (a) Only one (b) Only two (c) Only three
 (d) All are incorrect (e) All are correct Ans. b
274. Which edition of India-Kyrgyzstan Joint Special Forces Exercise 'Khanjar' has started at the Special Forces Training School in Himachal Pradesh's Bakloh?
 (a) 10th (b) 11th (c) 12th (d) 13th (e) 14th Ans. b
275. National Girl Child Day is observed every year on which day?
 (a) 22 January (b) 23 January (c) 24 January (d) 25 January (e) 27 January Ans. c
276. Which of the following will host the 7th edition of Uttishtha 2024, an 'Agri Mela' Startup Expo scheduled for Jan 27-28?
 (a) IIT Guwahati (b) IIT Delhi (c) IIT Madras (d) IIM Kashipur (e) IIM Shillong Ans. d
277. The 14th All India Police Commando competition has been organized in which city?
 (a) Siliguri, West Bengal (b) Chandimandir, Haryana
 (c) Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh (d) Jodhpur, Rajasthan
 (e) Bakloh, Himachal Pradesh Ans. c
278. Who has inaugurated a year-long pan-India campaign 'Hamara Samvidhan, Hamara Samman' to commemorate the 75th Year of India as a Republic?
 (a) Narendra Modi (b) Amit Shah (c) Rajnath Singh
 (d) Droupadi Murmu (e) Jagdeep Dhankhar Ans. e
279. In January 2024, Aviation regulator Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) imposed a fine of how much rupees on Air India for safety violations amid a series of flight irregularities?
 (a) Rs 1.10 crore (b) Rs 1.20 crore (c) Rs 1.30 crore (d) Rs 1.40 crore (e) Rs 1.50 crore Ans. a
280. Which insurance company has recently launched two products– 'Saral Swadhan Supreme' and 'Smart Swadhan Supreme'?
 (a) Bajaj Allianz General Insurance (b) Bharti AXA General Insurance
 (c) Reliance Nippon Life Insurance (d) SBI Life Insurance
 (e) Reliance General Insurance Ans. d

281. In January 2024, the Competition Commission of India (CCI) has approved the proposed merger of Fincare Small Finance Bank Limited with which Small Finance 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
282. Which bank has become the first Indian bank to execute an export finance transaction on the International Trade Financing Services Platform (ITFS) of RXIL Global IFSC Limited (RXIL)?
 (a) South Indian Bank (b) Axis Bank (c) Yes Bank
 (d) HDFC Bank (e) ICICI Bank Ans. c
283. Who has been appointed as Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) for Colliers Project Leaders Middle East?
 (a) Smita Sarangi (b) Arindam Bagchi (c) Indra Mani Pandey
 (d) Sankey Prasad (e) Senthil Pandian C Ans. d
284. In January 2024, The Union government appointed _____ Chief Justice Prasanna Bhalachandra Varale as a judge of the Supreme Court.
 (a) Allahabad High Court (b) Karnataka High Court (c) Gauhati High Court
 (d) Bombay High Court (e) Calcutta High Court Ans. b
285. Consider the following statements about Karpoori Thakur who has been awarded Bharat Ratna recently:
 (i) He served as Bihar's Chief Minister thrice.
 (ii) He is the 47th person to be awarded the Bharat Ratna.
 (iii) He served as Bihar's Chief Minister from December 1977 to April 1979.
 (iv) Bharat Ratna was instituted in 1952.
 (v) He was born in January 1924.
 How many of the statements given above are INCORRECT?
 (a) Only one (b) Only two (c) Only three (d) Only four (e) All are correct Ans. c
286. Who has been awarded the International Women's Cricketer of the Year award for the 2022-23 season by BCCI?
 (a) Harleen Deol (b) Harmanpreet Kaur (c) Renuka Singh
 (d) Smriti Mandhana (e) Deepti Sharma Ans. e
287. 60 Parachute Field Hospital has been selected for the Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar-2024 for its excellent work in Disaster Management. It is located in which state?
 (a) Uttar Pradesh (b) Gujarat (c) Rajasthan (d) Maharashtra (e) Uttarakhand Ans. a
288. The National Voters' Day is celebrated every year in India on January 25 to encourage the country's voters to participate in the electoral process. This year celebrated which edition of National Voters' Day?
 (a) 11th (b) 15th (c) 12th (d) 13th (e) 14th Ans. e
289. Who is the author of the book titled "Conversations with Aurangzeb"?
 (a) Amitav Ghosh (b) Vikram Seth (c) Jhumpa Lahiri (d) Charu Nivedita (e) Priya A.S. Ans. d
290. International Day of Education is observed every year on which day?
 (a) 22 January (b) 23 January (c) 24 January (d) 25 January (e) 27 January Ans. c
291. Which state will setup World's First 'Black Tiger Safari' in the state?
 (a) Kerala (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Odisha
 (d) Andhra Pradesh (e) Telangana Ans. c
292. India and which country have signed an agreement to foster collaboration and cooperation in the field of Information Technology (IT)?
 (a) Tanzania (b) Bangladesh (c) Oman (d) Singapore (e) UAE Ans. c
293. India's second VLF communication station will be set up in which state
 (a) Kerala (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Odisha
 (d) Andhra Pradesh (e) Telangana Ans. e
294. The Ministry of Defence has signed a contract with which company for the acquisition of 14 fast patrol vessels (FPVs) for the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) at a cost of Rs.1,070.47 crore?
 (a) Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders (b) Hindustan Shipyard (c) ABG Shipyard
 (d) Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers (e) Cochin Shipyard Limited Ans. a

295. The Cabinet has approved the setting up of two coal gasification plants in West Bengal and Odisha. These plants will be set up by which company?
 (a) ReNew Power (b) Adani Enterprises (c) JSW Energy
 (d) NTPC Limited (e) Coal India Limited Ans. e
296. Who has been invited by the Ministry of Defence as "Special Guests" to witness the Republic Day Parade, 2024 at Kartavya Path, New Delhi?
 (a) Arjun Awardee (b) Ujjawal Yojana beneficiaries (c) Chandrayaan-3's Team
 (d) Ram Temple's workers (e) PM Vishwakarma beneficiaries Ans. e
297. Which country will open the first alcohol store in its capital that will exclusively serve non-Muslim diplomats?
 (a) Iran (b) Iraq (c) UAE (d) Syria (e) Saudi Arabia Ans. e
298. Which finance company will lend up to Rs.1.2 trillion for the installation of rooftop solar panels under the Pradhan Mantri Suryodaya Yojana?
 (a) State Bank of India (b) NTPC Limited (c) REC Ltd
 (d) HDFC Bank (e) JSW Energy Ans. c
299. Which bank has become the first lender in the country to achieve the milestone of 20 million credit cards in force?
 (a) State Bank of India (b) Axis Bank (c) Yes Bank
 (d) HDFC Bank (e) ICICI Bank Ans. d
300. The Reserve Bank of India has approved the Life Insurance Corporation of India's (LIC) application to acquire up to 9.99 percent aggregate holding of paid-up share capital in which bank?
 (a) South Indian Bank (b) Axis Bank (c) Yes Bank
 (d) HDFC Bank (e) ICICI Bank Ans. d
301. In January 2024, which food delivery company received the certificate of authorization from RBI to operate as a payment aggregator?
 (a) Zomato (b) Swiggy (c) Food panda (d) Domino's (e) Eat Fit Ans. a
302. In January 2024, which of the following countries have conducted 'Desert Knight' exercise over the Arabian Sea?
 (a) India, Russia, and UAE (b) India, USA, and UAE (c) USA, France, and UAE
 (d) India, UK, and UAE (e) India, France, and UAE Ans. e
303. Consider the following statements about the Padma Awards 2024:
 (i) For the year 2024, the President approved the conferment of 132 Padma awards.
 (ii) The list comprises 5 Padma Vibhushan, 15 Padma Bhushan and 112 Padma Shri awards.
 (iii) 29 awardees in the list are women.
 (iv) Bindeshwar Pathak conferred with Padma Vibhushan in the category of Public Affairs.
 (v) M Venkaiah Naidu conferred with Padma Vibhushan in the category of Social Work.
 How many of the statements given above are INCORRECT?
 (a) Only one (b) Only two (c) Only three (d) Only four (e) All correct Ans. d
304. The union cabinet has approved the Protocol for the establishment of a joint Economic and Trade Committee between India and which country?
 (a) Mangolia (b) Ghana (c) Dominican Republic
 (d) Namibia (e) Oman Ans. c
305. AI startup, Krutrim become India's first unicorn in 2024. Which Indian company launched this technology?
 (a) Ola (b) Flipkart (c) Snapdeal (d) Amazon (e) Rapido Ans. a
306. Telecom major Reliance Jio has joined hands with which company to set up a 5G innovation lab in India?
 (a) Apple (b) Microsoft (c) Samsung (d) OnePlus (e) Nokia Ans. d
307. FM Nirmala Sitharaman will be the second finance minister to present her _____ straight budget after equalling her record with former PM Morarji Desai on 1 Feb 2024.
 (a) 4th (b) 5th (c) 6th (d) 7th (e) 8th Ans. c
308. Four companies have received market regulator SEBI's nod to raise funds through initial public offerings (IPOs) in January 2024. Which of the following companies has not received approval?
 (a) JNK India (b) Stallion India Fluorochemicals (c) Akme Fintrade
 (d) Entero Healthcare Solutions (e) Exicom Tele-Systems Ans. b

309. The Tata Group and European aerospace company Airbus have signed an agreement to manufacture which civilian helicopters together in India?
(a) H25 (b) H55 (c) H125 (d) H225 (e) H155 Ans. c
310. Bank of Baroda's wholly-owned subsidiary for cards, 'BOB Financial Solutions Limited', has been rebranded as 'BOBCARD Limited' with the tagline "_____".
(a) Debit Reimagined (b) Credit Reimagined (c) Loan Reimagined
(d) BoB Reimagined (e) Baroda Reimagined Ans. b
311. The 63rd Central Geological Programming Board (CGPB) Meeting was held in which city?
(a) Bengaluru (b) New Delhi (c) Chennai (d) Bhopal (e) Mumbai Ans. e
312. Consider the following statements about Young Liu, who was honoured with the Padma Award recently:
(i) Young Liu has been bestowed with the prestigious Padma Vibhushan award.
(ii) Young Liu is the CEO of Foxconn Company.
(iii) Young Liu received this award in the field of Science and Engineering.
(iv) Young Liu's company is a South Korea-based company.
How many of the statements given above are INCORRECT?
(a) Only one (b) Only two (c) Only three (d) All are correct (e) All are incorrect Ans. c
313. Which edition of the Joint Military Exercise 'SADA TANSEEQ' between India and Saudi Arabia will be held from January 29 to February 10 in Rajasthan?
(a) 1st (b) 2nd (c) 3rd (d) 4th (e) 5th Ans. a
314. Who has been awarded the ICC Men's ODI Cricketer of the Year Award for 2023?
(a) Virat Kohli (b) Rachin Ravindra (c) Pat Cummins
(d) Usman Khawaja (e) Suryakumar Yadav Ans. a
315. International Day of Clean Energy is observed every year on which day?
(a) 25 January (b) 26 January (c) 27 January (d) 28 January (e) 29 January Ans. b
316. International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust is observed every year on which day?
(a) 25 January (b) 26 January (c) 27 January (d) 28 January (e) 29 January Ans. c
317. Which of the following has unveiled 'Pahal'- the insightful house journal of its Vigilance Department?
(a) NABARD (b) RBI (c) IREDA (d) SEBI (e) SIDBI Ans. c
318. Who has inaugurated the Diamond Jubilee celebration of the Supreme Court of India on 28 January at the Supreme Court auditorium in Delhi?
(a) Narendra Modi (b) Arjun Ram Meghwal (c) Justice D.Y. Chandrachud
(d) Droupadi Murmu (e) Jagdeep Dhankhar Ans. a
319. Which city will host the seventh edition of the India Rubber Meet (IRM 2024) on 23 February?
(a) Bengaluru (b) New Delhi (c) Guwahati (d) Ahmedabad (e) Mumbai Ans. c
320. In January 2024, which bank has raised Rs.5,000 crore through the issuance of long-term infrastructure bonds?
(a) Bank of Baroda (b) Indian Overseas Bank (c) State Bank of India
(d) Axis Bank (e) Yes Bank Ans. a
321. JD(U) president Nitish Kumar took oath as Chief Minister of Bihar for a record _____ time after a dramatic volte-face.
(a) 7th (b) 8th (c) 9th (d) 10th (e) 11th Ans. c
322. President Droupadi Murmu has approved how many gallantry awards on the 75th Republic Day?
(a) 75 (b) 80 (c) 85 (d) 72 (e) 58 Ans. b
323. Which airport has been selected for the prestigious Excellence Award by Quality Circle Forum of India (QCFI) in the recent National Convention on Quality Concepts 2024 in Nagpur, Maharashtra?
(a) Indira Gandhi International Airport, Delhi (b) Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru
(c) Cochin International Airport, Kochi (d) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International Airport, Ahmedabad
(e) Thiruvananthapuram International Airport Ans. e
324. Which IIT's scholar has achieved the "Best Product Design" award in the Water and Sanitation category at the prestigious Vishwakarma Awards 2023?
(a) IIT Guwahati (b) IIT Delhi (c) IIT Madras (d) IIT Indore (e) IIT Roorkee Ans. a

325. Who has been awarded the Vayu Sena Medal for Gallantry on the 75th Republic Day?
 (a) Avani Chaturvedi (b) Bhawana Kanth (c) Nikita Malhotra
 (d) Shivangi Singh (e) Shaliza Dharmi Ans. c
326. Which country will host the World Test Championship (WTC) 2027 Final?
 (a) England (b) New Zealand (c) Australia (d) South Africa (e) India Ans. a
327. The Indian pair of _____ has won India's first gold medal at the ISSF Shooting World Cup 2024 in Cairo.
 (a) Manu Bhaker and Rhythm Sangwan (b) Saurabh Chaudhary and Ujjwal Malik
 (c) Ujjwal Malik and Manu Bhaker (d) Rhythm Sangwan and Manu Bhaker
 (e) Rhythm Sangwan and Ujjwal Malik Ans. e
328. Consider the following statements concerning the Australian Open 2024:
 (i) Rohan Bopanna wins men's doubles final teaming up with his partner Matthew Ebden.
 (ii) Zheng Qinwen won the women's single title.
 (iii) Jannik Sinner won the men's singles title.
 (iv) Matthew Ebden is from Belarus.
 How many of the statements given above are INCORRECT?
 (a) Only one (b) Only two (c) Only three (d) All are correct (e) All are incorrect Ans. b
329. Which of the following countries has won the inaugural edition of the FIH Hockey 5s Women's World Cup?
 (a) Netherland (b) India (c) Brazil (d) Finland (e) Scotland Ans. a
330. Tanmay Agarwal scored the fastest first-class triple century, taking just 147 deliveries against Arunachal Pradesh in the Ranji Trophy 2023-2024 held at the NexGen Cricket Ground in Hyderabad. He is playing for which team?
 (a) Baroda (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Hyderabad (d) Delhi (e) Mumbai Ans. c
331. India's Newspaper Day is celebrated every year on which day?
 (a) 27 January (b) 28 January (c) 29 January (d) 30 January (e) 31 January Ans. b
332. Which state has organized the fourth edition of the annual Orange Festival 2024?
 (a) Tripura (b) West Bengal (c) Nagaland (d) Bihar (e) Chhattisgarh Ans. c
333. Who has inaugurated the 173 km long double line electrified section between New Khurja - New Rewari on the Dedicated Freight Corridor?
 (a) Narendra Modi (b) Ashwini Vaishnaw (c) Amit Shah
 (d) Piyush Goyal (e) Anurag Thakur Ans. a
334. The Election Commission of India (ECI) has collaborated with filmmaker Rajkumar Hirani for a short film to spread awareness about voting. What is the title of this short film?
 (a) My Vote My Country (b) My Vote for my country (c) Value of one vote
 (d) My Vote Future for India (e) My Vote My Duty Ans. e
335. The 23rd World Sustainable Development Summit will be held in which city from Feb 7-9?
 (a) Bengaluru (b) New Delhi (c) Hyderabad (d) Ahmedabad (e) Mumbai Ans. b
336. Which company has established a benchmark in Green Hydrogen production, by successfully implementing India's one of the first pilot project aligned with the "National Green Hydrogen Mission"?
 (a) ReNew Power (b) Adani Enterprises (c) THDC India Limited
 (d) NTPC Limited (e) Torrent Power Ans. c
337. Chief Minister of Odisha Naveen Patnaik has inaugurated which edition of the 4th National Chilika Birds Festival?
 (a) 1st (b) 2nd (c) 3rd (d) 4th (e) 5th Ans. d
338. Who has become the first woman to hold the rank of Subedar in the Indian Army?
 (a) Anshika Singh (b) Sadhna Saxena Nair (c) Vasudha Gupta
 (d) Ipsita Dasgupta (e) Preeti Rajak Ans. e

339. Who has been appointed as the new Chairman of Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI)?
 (a) Ganesan Kannabiran (b) Anil Kumar Lahoti (c) Pramod Sharma
 (d) PK Yadav (e) Anant Maheshwari Ans. b
340. Tableau 'India: Mother of Democracy' has clinched the First Spot at the Republic Day Parade 2024. This tableau belonged to which ministry/ organization?
 (a) Ministry of Culture (b) Ministry of Environment and Forests
 (c) Election Commission of India (d) Ministry of Education
 (e) Ministry of Law and Justice Ans. a
341. Deep Grace Ekka has announced her international retirement recently. She was related to which sport?
 (a) Hockey (b) Tennis (c) Badminton (d) Football (e) Cricket Ans. a
342. In January 2024, the ICC Board lifted the suspension of which cricket board with immediate effect?
 (a) Sri Lanka (b) Afghanistan (c) UAE (d) Zimbabwe (e) Myanmar Ans. a
343. World Leprosy Day is observed every year on which day in India?
 (a) 28 January (b) 29 January (c) 30 January (d) 31 January (e) 27 January Ans. c
344. India commemorates Martyrs' Day, also known as Shaheed Diwas, on January 30th each year. It is recognized to commemorate the death anniversary of which freedom fighter?
 (a) Lal Bahadur Shastri (b) Rajiv Gandhi (c) Indira Gandhi
 (d) Jawaharlal Nehru (e) Mahatma Gandhi Ans. e
345. Rana Talwar passed away recently at the age of 76. Who was he?
 (a) Writer (b) Banker (c) Actor (d) Social Worker (e) Film Director Ans. b
346. Dr. Nitya Anand passed away recently at the age of 99. He was discovered _____.
 (a) India's first antiretroviral cabotegravi injection (b) India's first oral contraceptive pill 'Saheli'
 (c) India's first polio vaccine (d) India's first paracetamol tablet
 (e) India's first histopathological tests Ans. b
347. Which company has signed a deal with UAE's ADNOC Gas to buy 0.5 million tonnes of liquefied natural gas (LNG) annually for 10 years?
 (a) Hindustan Petroleum (b) Gas Authority of India Limited
 (c) Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (d) Reliance Petroleum
 (e) Bharat Petroleum Ans. b
348. The Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) extended the ban against the Students Islamic Movement of India (SIMI) for how many years?
 (a) 1 years (b) 2 years (c) 3 years (d) 4 years (e) 5 years Ans. e
349. India's employable youth is up from 33.9% in 2014 to 51.3% in 2024. This data has been released by which department?
 (a) Department of Finance (b) Department of Trade and Industry
 (c) Department of Budget and Management (d) Department of Labor and Employment
 (e) Department of Economic Affairs Ans. e
350. In January 2024, which ride-hailing company launched e-bike services in Delhi and Hyderabad?
 (a) Ola (b) Uber (c) Rapido (d) Bolt (e) DoorDash Ans. a
351. International Monetary Fund (IMF) has increased its GDP growth estimate for India to what per cent from 6.3% in FY 24?
 (a) 6.5% (b) 6.6% (c) 6.7% (d) 6.8% (e) 6.9% Ans. c
352. Over 22.5 lakh accounts have been opened under the Mahila Samman Saving Certificate Scheme (MSSCS) in the first nine months of the fiscal with a deposit of over Rs.14,500 crore. What is the interest rate of MSSCS?
 (a) 5.5% (b) 6.5% (c) 7.5% (d) 8.5% (e) 9.5% Ans. c

353. Which department has released the report titled "The Indian Economy: A Review" in January 2024?
 (a) Department of Expenditure
 (b) Department of Revenue
 (c) Department of Investment and Public Asset Management
 (d) Department of Financial Services
 (e) Department of Economic Affairs Ans. e
354. Who has been appointed as the new Chief Secretary of the Union Territory of Puducherry?
 (a) Smita Sarangi (b) Arindam Bagchi (c) Sharat Chauhan
 (d) Tanu Singh (e) Vivek Murthy Ans. c
355. Azali Assoumani has been re-elected as President of which country?
 (a) Mangolia (b) Ghana (c) Sudan (d) Namibia (e) Comoros Ans. e
356. Which company has been certified as a Top Employer in India by the Top Employers Institute?
 (a) ReNew Power (b) Adani Enterprises (c) REC Limited
 (d) NTPC Limited (e) Reliance Limited Ans. d
357. Who has won the U.S.-based National Boxing Association's intercontinental super featherweight title after defeating American Gerardo Esquivel at Toppenish City, Washington?
 (a) Kavita Chahal (b) Manish Kaushi (c) Amit Panghal
 (d) Mandeep Jangra (e) Vijender Singh Ans. d
358. Two-time Asian Games medallist Naorem Roshibina Devi has been named International Wushu Federation's (IWUF) Female Athlete of the Year. She is from which state?
 (a) Tripura (b) Mizoram (c) Assam (d) Manipur (e) Meghalaya Ans. d
359. Who has clinched Gold in the 10m Air Rifle Event at the ISSF World Cup?
 (a) Abhinav Bindra (b) Gagan Narang (c) Manu Bhaker
 (d) Divyansh Singh Panwar (e) Rudranksh Patil Ans. d
360. International Zebra Day is observed annually on which day?
 (a) 28 January (b) 29 January (c) 30 January (d) 31 January (e) 27 January Ans. d
361. Sukhbir Singh Gill passed away recently at the age of 48. He was related to which sport?
 (a) Hockey (b) Tennis (c) Badminton (d) Football (e) Cricket Ans. a
362. Dr. V.K. Saraswat has inaugurated the first National Highway Steel Slag Road section on NH-66 _____.
 (a) Mumbai-Pune (b) Mumbai-Jaipur (c) Mumbai-Delhi
 (d) Mumbai-Ahmedabad (e) Mumbai-Goa Ans. e

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