

## **19 November 2021**

1.) Internationally acclaimed best selling author Wilbur Smith who has passed away recently was from which country ?

अंतरराष्ट्रीय स्तर पर प्रशंसित बेस्ट सेलिंग लेखक विल्बर स्मिथ जिनका हाल ही में निधन हो गया, वे किस देश से थे?

- a) Canada
- b) South Africa
- c) France
- d) Australia

Answer : South Africa

Explanation : Born in Zambia, Wilbur Smith chronicled dramatic adventures on the African continent, the popularity of which made him a household name among readers. He created internationally-acclaimed fiction that drew on his own action-packed life. He gained recognition in 1964 with his debut novel "When the Lion Feeds" , the tale of a young man growing up on a South African cattle ranch which led to 15 sequels, tracing the ambitious family's fortunes for more than 200 years.

With 49 titles under his belt since his first novel When the Lion Feeds was published in 1964, Smith became a household name in literature. "The undisputed and inimitable master of adventure writing, Wilbur Smith's novels have gripped readers for over half a century, selling over 140 million copies worldwide in more than 30 languages.

2.) Where has the trade fair of Jauljibi been inaugurated ?

जौलजीबी के व्यापार मेले का उद्घाटन कहाँ किया गया है?

- a) Haryana
- b) Uttarakhand

c) Uttar Pradesh

d) Goa

Answer : Uttarakhand

Explanation : Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami inaugurated the famous traditional trade fair of Jauljibi, a border town in Dharchula sub-division of Pithoragarh district, saying such events should be used as a platform to market local products. The fair will continue till November 24, said Dharchula Sub-Divisional Magistrate AK Shukla, who is also the Mela Officer.

The 10-day fair will also hold a number of programmes showcasing the rich culture of the tribes inhabiting the upper Himalayan region, including the Rang community. The Jauljibi fair known for giving a market to the woollen goods and outfits manufactured by the tribal communities of border region, was started by the Pal kings of Askot in the second decade of the 20th century.

3.) Which union ministry has launched a unified mobile app for the 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav' events ?

किस केंद्रीय मंत्रालय ने 'आजादी का अमृत महोत्सव' कार्यक्रमों के लिए एक एकीकृत मोबाइल ऐप लॉन्च किया है?

a) Ministry of External Affairs

b) Ministry of culture

c) Ministry of Home Affairs

d) Ministry of Tourism

Answer : Ministry of culture

Explanation : Minister of State for Culture and External Affairs, Smt. Meenakshi Lekhi launched the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav mobile App to enable all single point access to all information related to the 75th anniversary celebrations of India's independence. The

app available in android and iOS has details of all the activities and events happening under the AKAM banner. It is a free for download app with no age restrictions.

The app includes links to sections such as 'Digital District Repository' and 'Unsung Heroes' under 'History Corner'. Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav is an initiative of the Government of India to celebrate and commemorate 75 years of progressive India and the glorious history of it's people, culture and achievements. This Mahotsav is dedicated to I to enable Prime Minister Modi's vision of ctivating India 2.0, fuelled by the spirit of Atmanirbhar Bharat.

4.) Who is the winner of the 2021 JCB prize for literature ?

साहित्य के लिए 2021 जेसीबी पुरस्कार का विजेता कौन है?

- a) M Mukundan
- b) P. Valsala
- c) T. Padmanabhan
- d) None of these

Answer : M Mukundan

Explanation : The novel titled "Delhi: A Soliloquy " written by Malayalam writer M Mukundan has won the 2021 JCB Prize for literature. The book originally written in Malayalam has been translated into English by Fathima E.V. and Nandakumar

The JCB Prize for Literature was established in 2018. It is the most expensive Indian award for writing. The prize carries a cash prize of Rs 25 lakh for author and Rs 10 lakh for translator. It honours distinguished work of fiction by an Indian writer working in English or translated fiction by an Indian writer.

5.) PM Modi recently inaugurated the Purvanchal Expressway in which state ?

पीएम मोदी ने हाल ही में किस राज्य में पूर्वांचल एक्सप्रेसवे का उद्घाटन किया?

- a) Maharashtra
- b) Uttar Pradesh
- c) Haryana
- d) Gujarat

Answer : Uttar Pradesh

**Explanation :** Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated the Purvanchal Expressway at Karwalkheri in Sultanpur district of Uttar Pradesh . It will connect Lucknow with Ghazipur. The 341-km long Purvanchal Express has been constructed at an estimated cost of Rs 22,500 crore.

The Expressway starts from village Chaudsarai, located on Lucknow-Sultanpur road (NH-731) and ends at village Hydaria located on National Highway No. 31, 18 km east of UP-Bihar border. A 3.2-km long airstrip has also been constructed on the expressway to enable landing and take-off of Indian Air Force fighter planes in case of emergency.

6.) The World COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease) day is observed every year on which day ?

विश्व सीओपीडी (क्रॉनिक ऑब्स्ट्रक्टिव पल्मोनरी डिजीज) दिवस हर साल किस दिन मनाया जाता है?

- a) Third Monday of November
- b) Third Wednesday of November
- c) Third Tuesday of November
- d) Third Sunday of November

Answer : Third Wednesday of November

**Explanation :** World COPD Day is observed on Third Wednesday of November every year to raise awareness about chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and improve

COPD care throughout the world. The World COPD Day 2021 falls on November 17, 2021.

The 2021 theme is Healthy Lungs – Never More Important.

World COPD Day activities are organized in each country by health care professionals, educators, and members of the public who want to help make an impact locally and worldwide. The first World COPD Day was held in 2002. Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease is a lung disease that block airflow and make it difficult to breathe.

7.) India and which country's army is organizing a joint cycle rally ?

भारत और किस देश की सेना संयुक्त साइकिल रैली का आयोजन कर रही है?

- a) Bangladesh
- b) Myanmar
- c) Nepal
- d) None of these

Answer : Bangladesh

Explanation : An Indian army cycling team arrived at Benapole, to start a joint cycling rally of Indian and Bangladeshi armies between Nov. 15-24 covering Jessore to Kolkata. The rally has been organized on the occasion of the golden jubilee year of Bangladesh liberation to strengthen the friendly ties between the two countries.

The Indian cycling team was greeted at Benapole by Brigadier General Md. Hafizur Rahman of 55th infantry division of Jashor cantonment of Bangladesh. Major Zakaria of the 55th Infantry Division said, A team of 19 members of Indian Army has entered Bangladesh through Benapole International Checkpost. The Indian Army was led by Colonel Mohit Singh of the Kolkata Cantonment.

8.) The campaign titled “Mooh Band Rakho” has been launched by which bank to raise awareness on fraud prevention ?

धोखाधड़ी की रोकथाम पर जागरूकता बढ़ाने के लिए किस बैंक द्वारा "मुह बंद रखो" नामक अभियान शुरू किया गया है?

- a) SBI
- b) ICICI Bank
- c) HDFC Bank
- d) Axis Bank

Answer : HDFC Bank

Explanation : HDFC Bank Ltd has launched the second edition of its “Mooh Band Rakho” campaign to raise awareness on fraud prevention in support of International Fraud Awareness Week 2021 (November 14-20, 2021).

HDFC Bank aims to increase awareness of its customers on all types of frauds and the importance of keeping your mouth shut to ensure their prevention and taking a pledge and not share confidential banking information with anyone. HDFC Bank will organise 2,000 workshops in the next four months under this campaign.

9.) The final Glasgow COP 26 agreement aimed at capping global warming at \_\_\_\_\_ degree Celsius.

अंतिम ग्लासगो सीओपी 26 समझौते का उद्देश्य ग्लोबल वार्मिंग को \_\_\_\_\_ डिग्री सेल्सियस पर सीमित करना है।

- a) 1
- b) 1.5
- c) 2.0
- d) 3.0

Answer : 1.5

Explanation : UN climate talks in Scotland has concluded with a global agreement aimed at keeping alive hopes of capping global warming at 1.5 degrees Celsius, and so maintain a realistic shot at saving the world from catastrophic climate change. United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres said in a statement that our fragile planet is hanging by a thread.

The Glasgow Climate Pact is the first-ever climate deal to explicitly plan to reduce coal, the worst fossil fuel for greenhouse gases. In one of the strongest criticisms of the COP26 draft deal, Yadav said developing nations had the right to use the remainder of the so-called global "carbon budget", or the amount of carbon dioxide the world can release before warming crosses the 1.5 degree Celsius threshold. He asked how can anyone expect that developing countries can make promises about phasing out coal and fossil fuel subsidies when developing countries have still to deal with their development agendas and poverty eradication.