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1.) The US, UK and Australia announce a new defence pact with the name of _____.

अमेरिका, ब्रिटेन और ऑस्ट्रेलिया ने _____ के नाम से एक नए रक्षा समझौते की घोषणा की।

- a) USUKA
- b) AUSUK
- c) UKUSA
- d) USAUK

Answer : AUSUK

Explanation : AUKUS will enhance joint capabilities and interoperability. The initial efforts will focus on cyber capabilities, artificial intelligence, quantum technologies, and additional undersea capabilities.

The new trilateral security partnership was announced in a virtual meeting between the US President Joe Biden, UK Prime Minister Boris Johnson and Australian Prime Minister Scott Morrison. As the first initiative under AUKUS Australia in acquiring nuclear-powered submarines for the Royal Australian Navy, added the statement. "First major initiative of AUKUS will be an 18-month effort to deliver a nuclear-powered submarine fleet for Australia. We will seek to determine the best way forward to achieve this. We intend to build these submarines in Australia in close cooperation with the UK and the US.

2.) Which organisation launched a report titled "Reforms in Urban Planning capacity in India" ?

किस संगठन ने "भारत में शहरी नियोजन क्षमता में सुधार" शीर्षक से एक रिपोर्ट शुरू की?

- a) National Development Council
- b) NITI Aayog
- c) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs

d) None of these

Answer : NITI Aayog

Explanation : NITI Aayog has launched a report on measures to ramp up urban planning capacity in India. The report is titled 'Reforms in Urban Planning Capacity in India.' The report has been developed by NITI Aayog, in consultation with concerned ministries and eminent experts in the domain of urban and regional planning. It presents a condensed outcome of the extensive deliberations and consultations conducted over a period of 9 months.

The report also recommended a Central Sector Scheme '500 Healthy Cities Programme', for a period of 5 years, wherein priority cities and towns would be selected jointly by the states and local bodies.

3.) What is the theme of 2021 World Patient safety day ?

2021 विश्व रोगी सुरक्षा दिवस का विषय क्या है?

- a) Safe maternal and newborn care
- b) safe health workers, safe patients
- c) patient safety : a global health priority
- d) None of these

Answer : Safe maternal and newborn care

Explanation : Amid the coronavirus crisis, World Patient Safety Day becomes more significant as COVID-19 warriors and medical personnel are working tirelessly to save lives and stop the spread of the infection

As per World Health Organisation (WHO), the theme this year is - "Safe maternity and newborn care" while the slogan is "Act now for safe and respectful childbirth!"

With this theme, WHO highlights the need to address and prioritise safety during maternal and newborn care; especially at the time of childbirth when most of the harm

occurs to mother and baby. Moreover, this theme is important keeping in mind the disruption of health services that has occurred due to the pandemic.

4.) Who is the head of the committee constituted by the Ministry of Defence for a comprehensive review of National cadet corps (NCC) ?

राष्ट्रीय कैडेट कोर (एनसीसी) की व्यापक समीक्षा के लिए रक्षा मंत्रालय द्वारा गठित समिति का प्रमुख कौन है?

- a) Bajayant Panda
- b) MS Dhoni
- c) Anand Mahindra
- d) None of these

Answer : Former Member of Parliament (MP) Shri Bajayant Panda will be the Chairperson of the 15 member Committee. The committee will propose measures for gainful engagement of its Alumni for betterment of the organisation as a whole. Former Member of Parliament Bajayant Panda will head the committee. Cricketer Mahendra Singh Dhoni, former Minister Colonel (Retd) Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore, industrialist Anand Mahindra among others are members of the committee.

The Terms of Reference of the Committee broadly provide for suggesting measures which can empower NCC cadets to contribute more effectively towards nation building and national developmental efforts in various sectors.

5.) What is the new FDI limit approved by the Union Cabinet in the Telecom sector ?

दूरसंचार क्षेत्र में केंद्रीय मंत्रिमंडल द्वारा अनुमोदित नई एफडीआई सीमा क्या है?

- a) 85 %
- b) 49 %
- c) 74 %

d) 100 %

Answer : 100 %

Explanation : The telecom minister said that all of the choices were made with the Supreme Court rules and the government's revenues in mind, and that the measures are prospective in nature.

Until now, the automated method only allowed for up to 49% investment, and any investment beyond that had to be routed via the government. The 100% automated method, on the other hand, will not be available to investors from China and Pakistan. To prevent aggressive takeovers of local companies, the government placed restrictions on FDI coming from nations that share a land border with India in April 2020.

In India, FDI is permitted in one of two ways: either via the automatic route, which requires no government permission, or through the government route, which requires approval from the government.

6.) Which organisation has partnered with the Assam government to provide project specific loan for upgrading MSME Clusters ?

एमएसएमई समूहों के उन्नयन के लिए परियोजना विशिष्ट ऋण प्रदान करने के लिए किस संगठन ने असम सरकार के साथ भागीदारी की है?

- a) NABARD
- b) SIDBI
- c) State Bank of India
- d) None of these

Answer : SIDBI

Explanation : SIDBI Chairman and Managing Director Sivasubramanian Ramann said the bank looks forward to deepening its footprint in Assam by contributing to livelihood and micro-enterprise value chain as also innovation and start-up ecosystem.

The Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) has announced that project-specific moderately priced loan assistance under the SIDBI Cluster Development Fund (SCDF) will be extended to the state government of Assam for upgrading various existing MSME clusters and for developing new industrial infrastructural facilities in the state. Assam will be focussing on three major themes—startups, cluster development and livelihood, and enterprise promotion.

7.) Which state has launched the 'One gram Panchayat-One digi pay Sakhi' mission to promote financial services in remote areas of the state/UT ?

किस राज्य ने राज्य / केंद्रशासित प्रदेश के दूरदराज के क्षेत्रों में वित्तीय सेवाओं को बढ़ावा देने के लिए 'एक ग्राम पंचायत-एक डिजी पे सखी' मिशन शुरू किया है?

- a) Jammu and Kashmir
- b) Assam
- c) Goa
- d) Rajasthan

Answer : Jammu and Kashmir

Explanation : The Lt Governor outlined that DIGI-Pay Sakhi has introduced financial inclusion within the UT's Self Help Group (SHG) ecosystem, creating much needed financial access points with greater transparency even in the remotest of the areas.

In order to promote door to door digital banking and financial services in remote areas of Jammu and Kashmir, Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha launched Mission 'One Gram Panchayat-One DIGI-Pay Sakhi' , at Jammu & Kashmir Entrepreneurship Development Institute (JKEDI) in Pampore

Initially, the DIGI-Pay facility will be provided in 2000 remote villages of the UT and in the first phase, 80 women from Self Help Groups from across Jammu and Kashmir have been selected as DIGI-Pay Sakhis.

8.) India's first Euro denominated Green bond has been issued by which company ?

भारत का पहला यूरो मूल्यवर्ग का ग्रीन बांड किस कंपनी द्वारा जारी किया गया है?

- a) Power Finance Corporation limited
- b) Mahindra Finance
- c) NHPC Limited
- d) None of these

Answer : Power Finance Corporation limited

Explanation : It is the first-ever Euro issuance by an Indian NBFC and the first Euro bond issuance from India since 2017. The issuance saw strong participation from institutional investors across Asia and Europe with participation from across 82 accounts and was oversubscribed 2.65 times.

(PFC), the leading NBFC in the power sector, has successfully issued its maiden Euro 300 million 7-year Euro Bond issuance. The pricing of 1.841% achieved is the lowest yield locked in by an Indian issuer in the Euro markets.