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1.) Which state's Pochampally village has been selected as one of the best tourism villages by the United Nations World Tourism Organization recently ?

हाल ही में संयुक्त राष्ट्र विश्व पर्यटन संगठन द्वारा किस राज्य के पोचमपल्ली गांव को सर्वश्रेष्ठ पर्यटन गांवों में से एक के रूप में चुना गया है?

- a) Karnataka
- b) Tamil Nadu
- c) Telangana
- d) Jharkhand

Answer : Telangana

Explanation : Pochampally Village In Yadadri Bhuvanagiri district of Telangana, Our famous hand woven I . Known for cat saree, was selected as one of the best tourism villages by United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO).

The award will be given at the 24th session of the UNWTO General Assembly. 2 December Madrid. The Best Tourism Villages by UNWTO pilot initiative aims to reward villages that are excellent examples of rural destinations and demonstrate good practices in line with its designated assessment areas.

It aims to help villages enhance their rural tourism potential through access to training and improvement opportunities. Pochampally is about 50 km from Hyderabad and is often referred to as the silk city of India for the exquisite sarees that are woven through a unique style called ikat. This style, Pochampally Ikat, received Geographical Indication (GI Status) in 2004 and also known as Bhoodan Pochampally to commemorate the Bhoodan movement started by Acharya Vinobha Bhave from this village on 18th April, 1951.

2.) Department of Animal husbandry and Dairying (DAHD) functions under which union ministry ?

पशुपालन और डेयरी विभाग (DAHD) किस केंद्रीय मंत्रालय के तहत कार्य करता है?

- a) Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
- b) Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying
- c) Ministry of Food processing Industries
- d) Ministry of Rural Development

Answer : Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying

Explanation : Ministry of Food Processing Industry signed an MoU between DAHD and MoFPI for Extension of benefits to Dairy Entrepreneurs/ Dairy industries through convergence of various schemes of Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying (DAHD)

The objectives of MoFPI & DAHD are interlinked and complementary in nature. Hence, the DAHD and MoFPI will work together to achieve the goal for income generation for sustainable development of the rural poor through extension of benefits of various schemes to the beneficiaries whenever they require credit support. Livestock sector is an important subsector of agriculture in the Indian economy.

It grew at CAGR of 8.2 per cent during 2014-15 to 2018-19.

India is the world's largest producer and consumer of milk & milk products. Milk production in the country has increased from 146.3 million tonnes in 2014-15 to 198.4 million tonnes in 2019-20 with the annual Growth Rate of 6.28%.

3.) Who has inaugurated the first global innovation summit of pharmaceuticals sector ?

फार्मास्यूटिकल्स क्षेत्र के पहले वैश्विक नवाचार शिखर सम्मेलन का उद्घाटन किसने किया है?

- a) Ramnath Kovind
- b) Narendra Modi
- c) Arjun Munda
- d) None of these

Answer : Narendra Modi

Explanation : The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated the first Global Innovation Summit of the Pharmaceuticals sector. Union Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya was present on the occasion

Addressing the gathering, the Prime Minister said that the pandemic has brought the Pharmaceuticals sector into sharp focus. Whether it is lifestyle, or medicines, or medical technology, or vaccines, every aspect of healthcare has received global attention over the last two years

The Prime Minister stressed on developing indigenous capabilities. "Today, when 1.3 billion people of India have taken it upon themselves to make India Aatmanirbhar . we must think about ramping up domestic manufacturing of key ingredients for vaccines and medicines. This is one frontier that India has to conquer"

This strength needs to be harnessed to "Discover and Make in India".

4.) What is the rank of India in the recently Global Bribery Risk Index 2021 ?

हाल ही में वैश्विक रिश्वत जोखिम सूचकांक 2021 में भारत का रैंक क्या है?

- a) 85th
- b) 80th
- c) 69th

d) 82nd

Answer : 82nd

Explanation : India is placed at 82nd position in the TRACE Bribery Risk Matrix 2021. The country stood at 77 position in 2020. India has achieved the score of 44 in a global list that measures business bribery risks in 2021. North Korea, Turkmenistan, Venezuela and Eritrea showed highest commercial bribery risk. Denmark, Norway, Finland, Sweden and New Zealand reported lowest bribery risk.

The TRACE Matrix list is released by TRACE International, an anti-bribery standard setting organisation, which measures business bribery risk in 194 countries, territories, and autonomous and semi-autonomous regions. The score is based on four factors, which are business interactions with the government, anti-bribery deterrence and enforcement, government and civil service transparency, and capacity for civil society oversight which includes the role of the media.

5.) Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF), which is seen in the news sometimes, is associated with which sector ?

यूनिवर्सल सर्विस ऑब्लिगेशन फंड (USOF), जो कभी-कभी खबरों में रहता है, किस क्षेत्र से जुड़ा है?

a) Coal Mining

b) Tele – communication

c) Automobile

d) Textiles

Answer : Tele – communication

Explanation : The Indian Telegraph (Amendment) Act, 2003 gave statutory status to the Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF).

It is the pool of funds generated by the Levy that is charged upon all the telecom fund operators on their Adjusted Gross Revenue (AGR). Cabinet clears proposal for mobile services in 7,287 uncovered villages in 44

Aspirational Districts of 5 states by utilisation of Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF). The five states are Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Maharashtra and Odisha.

6.) Where has Piyush Goyal launched India's first digital food museum ?

पीयूष गोयल ने भारत का पहला डिजिटल खाद्य संग्रहालय कहाँ लॉन्च किया है?

- a) Kerala
- b) Delhi
- c) Tamil Nadu
- d) None of these

Answer : Tamil Nadu

Explanation : Union Minister for Commerce, Industry, Food and Public Distribution Piyush Goyal virtually launched India's first Food Museum at Thanjavur in Tamil Nadu. At the virtual ceremony, he said measures were on to elevate the country into a higher rank from currently being the fifth largest agricultural exporter in the world.

Tamil Nadu will now be home to the agricultural history of India. Thanjavur is the cultural capital of Tamil Nadu. Now it will be home to the agricultural history of India

The Prime Minister is working towards doubling the farmers.

7.) Which country has started supplying S-400 air defence systems to India ?

किस देश ने भारत को S-400 वायु रक्षा प्रणालियों की आपूर्ति शुरू कर दी है?

- a) Thailand
- b) Russia
- c) Denmark
- d) None of these

Answer : Russia

Explanation : The supplies put India at risk of sanctions from the United States under a 2017 U.S. law aimed at deterring countries from buying Russian military hardware. The first supplies have already been started," Interfax cited Shugayev as saying on Sunday at an aerospace trade show in Dubai. He said that the first unit of an S-400 systems will arrive in India by the end of this year. The \$5.5 billion deal for five long-range surface-to-air missile systems, which India says it needs to counter a threat from China, was signed in 2018.

India faces a range of financial sanctions from the United States under Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act (CAATSA), which names Russia an adversary alongside North Korea and Iran for its actions against Ukraine, interference in the U.S. 2016 elections and help to Syria.

8.) The Annual Council of Ministers meeting of the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) was recently held in which city ?

हिंद महासागर रिम एसोसिएशन (IORA) की वार्षिक मंत्रिपरिषद की बैठक हाल ही में किस शहर में आयोजित की गई थी?

- a) New Delhi
- b) Dhaka
- c) Colombo
- d) None of these

Answer : Dhaka

Explanation: India virtually participated in the 21st Annual Council of Ministers (COM) meeting of the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) led by the Hon'ble Minister of State External Affairs (MoS), Dr. Rajkumar Ranjan Singh. The IORA COM was held in a hybrid format in Dhaka and Dhaka Communique was adopted at the end of the meeting.

As a country committed to strengthening of IORA, India undertook various initiatives during the current year including assisting the IORA Secretariat, conducting capacity building workshops in the areas ranging from Yoga and traditional medicines to Remote sensing, UNCLOS and Ocean Data Management and leading the discussions on various issues under IORA. MoS congratulated Bangladesh for assuming the Chairship of IORA. He welcomed the Russian Federation as the new Dialogue Partner of IORA.

9.) The Government of India and which bank have signed a loan of \$ 61 million for the development of Agartala ?

भारत सरकार और किस बैंक ने अगरतला के विकास के लिए 61 मिलियन डॉलर के ऋण पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं?

- a) NDP
- b) World Bank
- c) ADB
- d) None of these

Answer : ADB

Explanation : The Government of India and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) signed a \$61 million loan agreement to improve livability, harness technology, and promote new developments to accommodate the expanding population in Agartala city while building the capacity of state agencies to improve service delivery.

The government signed the Agartala City Urban Development Project agreement with ADB representative Takeo Konishi, Country Director of ADB's India Resident Mission. Developing Agartala's central and north zones as models of area-based development is expected to have a ripple effect on nearby cities and towns, making urban areas more livable, citizen-friendly, resilient, and sustainable.

The project will build and upgrade 48 kilometres (km) of new or existing stormwater drainage and construct 23 km of climate-resilient urban roads.

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