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1. When has National Youth Day been celebrated recently?

- a.11th January b.12th January
c.13th January d.none of these

Explanation: Every year since 1985, the country is celebrating National Youth Day on 12 January. Swami Vivekananda's speeches, his teachings and quotes have always been a source of inspiration for the youth. Youth Day theme, significance, schedule of events in India can be found here.

2. Recently the Ministry of Defense has approved how many procurement proposals including Helina Anti-Tank Guided Missile at a cost of Rs 4,276 crore??

- a.1 b.2
c.3 d.none of these

Explanation: The Ministry of Defense has approved three procurement proposals including Helina Anti-Tank Guided Missile at a total cost of Rs 4,276 crore. It is believed that the capability of the armed forces is being increased along the Line of Actual Control (LAC) with China.

3. Who has unveiled the theme of National Science Day 2023 'Global science for global welfare'?

- a.Anurag Thakur b.Dr. Jitendra Singh
c.Narendra Modi d.None of these

Explanation: Jitendra Singh unveiled the theme of National Science Day 2023 'Global Science for Global Welfare'. Speaking on the occasion, he said that as India enters 2023, the theme signifies India's emerging global role and its increasing visibility in the international arena.

4. Which film has recently been shortlisted for Oscars 2023?

- a.RRR b.KGF2
c.'The Kashmir Files' d.None of these

Explanation: The film The Kashmir Files has been shortlisted for the Best Film category in Oscar 2023 and other lead characters of the film including Anupam Kher have been shortlisted for the Best Actor category.

5. Recently when the fastest payment app PayRup has been launched in India?

- a.9 January 2023 b.10 January 2023
c.11 January 2023 d.none of these

Explanation: India's fastest payment app PayRup was launched in India on 9 January 2023. PayRup is built with the best of Web 3.0 technology. PayRup provides an advanced digital payment experience with an excellent user experience.

6. Who has been signed by Herbalife Nutrition India as a sponsored sports athlete?

- a.Sanya Mirza b.Smriti Mandhana
c.Deepika Sharma d.None of these

Explanation: Herbalife Nutrition India signs up Smriti Mandhana as sponsored sports athlete. Nutrition company Herbalife Nutrition India Pvt Ltd is partnering with international women cricketer Smriti Mandhana as a 'nutrition sponsor'.

7. Who has become India's first woman pilot to fly Sukhoi fighter aircraft recently?

- a.Nikita Chaturvedi b.Avani Chaturvedi
c.Shivani Chaturvedi d.None of these

Explanation: In the year 2020, the first batch of Rafale came to India from France. Rafale

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fighter jets were landed at Ambala airbase. The responsibility of flying Rafale has been given to Shivangi Singh, a woman pilot of the Indian Air Force. Shivangi Singh has joined the Squadron Golden Arrows of Rafale as the first woman Flight Lieutenant.

8. According to the World Bank, India's economic growth rate will come down to what percent in 2023-24?

- a.5.6 b.6.6
c.7.6 d.None of these

Explanation: The World Bank said that India's economic growth rate will come down to 6.6 per cent in 2023-24. Despite this, India will remain the fastest growing economy among the seven largest emerging market and developing economies (EMDEs).

1. Which bank has launched e - Bank Guarantee facility in association with National e - Governance Services Limited (NeSL) ?

- a) State Bank of India b) HDFC Bank
c) ICICI Bank d) Bank of Baroda

Explanation: State Bank of India in association with National e-Governance Services Limited (NeSL) launched the e-Bank Guarantee (e-BG) facility. Presently, the bank issues these guarantees with physical stamping and wet signatures. The e-Bank Guarantee process will be made easier by NeSL's Digital Document Execution (DDE) technology, which provides e-Stamp and e-Sign facilities. Beneficiaries using NeSL's platform will get instant e-Bank Guarantee without additional verification.

2. Recently Indian - origin Manpreet Monika Singh was sworn in as the first woman Sikh judge in which country ?

- a) Canada b) Germany

- c) United States of America d) United Kingdom

Explanation: Indian-origin Manpreet Monika Singh was sworn in as the first female Sikh judge in the US. Manpreet Monica Singh has been sworn in as the Harris County Judge in Texas. Ravi Sandil, the first South Asian Justice of Texas, presided over the swearing-in ceremony.

3. Who has been appointed as the CEO of Cognizant recently ?

- a) Ravi Kumar b) Arun Singh
c) KV Shaji d) N Chandrasekaran

Explanation: Ravi Kumar has been appointed as the CEO of Cognizant. He has succeeded Brian Humphreys as the CEO of Cognizant. Humphreys will remain with Cognizant as Special Advisor until March 15, 2023.

4. Union Minister for Labor and Employment, Forest, Environment and Climate Change Bhupendra Yadav inaugurated the regional office of Employees ' Provident Fund Organization (EPFO) in which district of Rajasthan ?

- a) Alwar b) Bharatpur
c) Dholpur d) Jaipur

Explanation: Union Minister for Labor and Employment, Forest, Environment and Climate Change Bhupendra Yadav inaugurated the regional office of Employees Provident Fund Organization (EPFO) in Alwar district of Rajasthan on 13 January 2023. About 2 lakh employees, 12,000 establishments and 8500 pensioners of Alwar as well as neighboring districts of Bharatpur and Dholpur will be benefited by the opening of this regional office. The regional office at Alwar will provide benefits to workers employed in industrial and other

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establishments in Alwar, Bharatpur and Dholpur districts. With the District Office at Alwar being upgraded to Regional Office, these employees will be able to enjoy the full range of claim settlement services at Alwar, thereby eliminating the need to travel to Jaipur.

5. How many Indian peacekeepers serving in the United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) were awarded the prestigious United Nations Medal for their exceptional service?

- a) 1,000 b) 1,055
c) 1,171 d) 1,230

Explanation: 1,171 Indian peacekeepers serving in the United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) were awarded the prestigious United Nations Medal in January 2023 for their exceptional service. For the first time, a woman officer of the Indian Army, Major Jasmine Chatha, led the parade of the Indian contingent. India is one of the largest troop contributors to UN peacekeeping missions.

6. Recently MP Santokh Singh passed away during Bharat Jodo Yatra. He was the Congress MP from which Lok Sabha seat?

- a) Amritsar b) Jalandhar
c) Ferozpur d) Bathinda

Explanation: Recently MP Santokh Singh passed away during Bharat Jodo Yatra. Santokh Singh was a Member of Parliament from the Congress Party. He was an MP from Jalandhar. He died of a heart attack during the Bharat Jodo Yatra in Phillaur, Punjab.

7. Recently which country will send three people 6000 meters below sea level?

- a. India b. Japan
c. America d. none of these

Explanation: To search for such mineral resources. As a part of the Samudrayaan mission carried out by the Union Ministry of Earth Sciences, India aims to send a human being 6000 meters below the sea level.

8. Who has published the 18th edition of 'Global Risks Report'?

- a. WHO b. WTO
c. WEF d. none of these

Explanation: The World Economic Forum (WEF) released the report "Global Risks Report 2022: 17th Edition" prepared in partnership with Marsh McLennan, SK Group and Zurich Insurance Group. The 2022 report is based on the views of 12,000 country-level leaders who identified key short-term risks to their 124 countries, collected by the WEF's Executive Opinion Survey (EOS) conducted between May and September 2021. The report also includes the results of the Global Risk Perception Survey (GRPS) 2021-2022, which has underpinned the report since 2006. By 2024, developing economies (excluding China) will see 5.5% less than their pre-pandemic expected GDP growth, while advanced economies will exceed it by 0.9%, widening the global income gap. The global economy was expected to shrink by 2.3% by 2024.

1. Recently India signed an MoU with which country to enhance cooperation in training of diplomats?

- a) Jamaica b) Panama
c) Costa Rica d) Colombia

Explanation:- India and Panama have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to enhance cooperation in the training of

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diplomats. External Affairs Minister Dr. Subrahmanyam Jaishankar held a bilateral meeting with Panamanian Foreign Minister Janaina Tewane Menkomo in Indore. During the consultations, both sides comprehensively reviewed their bilateral relations covering issues such as trade and investment, pharmaceuticals, capacity building, space cooperation and consular. The two sides also discussed cooperation in multilateral fora.

2. Who has launched the "Geospatial Hackathon" to promote innovation and start-ups in India's geospatial ecosystem?

- a) Dr. Jitendra Singh b) Piyush Goyal
c) Rajnath Singh d) Anurag Thakur

Explanation:- Union Minister of State for Science and Technology Dr. Jitendra Singh launched the "Geospatial Hackathon" on 14 January 2023 to promote innovation and start-ups in India's geospatial ecosystem. It will promote partnerships between the public and private geospatial sectors. The "Geospatial Hackathon" will end on March 10, 2023 and will have two challenges, the Research Challenge and the Startup Challenge. The objective of this hackathon is not only to foster partnerships between the public and private geospatial sectors, but also to strengthen the geospatial start-up ecosystem of our country.

3. Which district of Kerala has been declared the country's first constitution literate district?

- a) Kollam b) Kottayam
c) Ernakulam d) Wayanad

Explanation:- Kollam district of Kerala has become the first constitution literate district of the country. This was announced by Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan at a function in Kollam. Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister said that constitutional values should be integrated with our lives and governance in order to achieve complete constitutional literacy. The campaign was carried out for seven months by the Kollam District Panchayat, the

District Planning Committee and the Kerala Institute of Local Administration. Its objective was to provide constitutional literacy to 23 lakh citizens of 7 lakh families of the district.

4. Which country is hosting the 53rd edition of the annual World Economic Forum Summit from January 16 to January 20, 2023?

- a) India b) France
c) Vietnam d) Switzerland

Explanation:- The 53rd edition of the annual World Economic Forum Summit is being held in Davos, Switzerland from January 16 to 20, 2023. Ashwini Vaishnav, Mansukh Mandaviya, Smriti Irani and R.K. Of. A delegation of Union Ministers from India including Singh will be present. The five-day conference, featuring business leaders, political figures, investors and academics, is being held physically for the first time in three years. Over 2,700 delegates are expected to convene in Davos during the mega summit. Major topics will include the Russia-Ukraine crisis, global inflation and climate change, as well as the current global economic situation. World leaders attending the meeting include European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen, German Chancellor Olaf Scholz, Heads of government and other leaders of several countries will attend, including the President of the European Parliament, Roberta Metsola. Theme of the meeting of World Economic Forum 2023 - 'Co-Operation in a Fragmented World'

5. Who has recently announced a new 'Arogya Maitri' project for developing countries?

- a) Narendra Modi b) Draupadi Murmu
c) Jagdeep Dhankhar d) Amit Shah

Explanation:- Prime Minister Narendra Modi on 13 January 2023 announced a new 'Arogya Maitri' project for developing countries. Under this project, India will provide essential medical supplies to any developing country affected by natural disasters or humanitarian crises. During the Covid pandemic, India's 'Vaccine Maitri'

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initiative supplied vaccines made in India to over 100 countries.

6. Indian Railways has announced to run 'Bharat Gaurav Deluxe AC' tourist train to strengthen the ties between India and which country?

- a) Bhutan
- b) Nepal
- c) Myanmar
- d) Bangladesh

Explanation:- Indian Railways has announced to run 'Bharat Gaurav Deluxe AC' tourist train on 14 January 2023. It aims to strengthen ties between India and Nepal and promote cultural ties between the two countries. The train will leave Delhi on 17 February 2023 and will cover pilgrimage and heritage sites at Ayodhya and Janakpur Dham (Nepal) as well as Nandigram, Sitamarhi, Varanasi and Prayag. Preparations are on to start the route from February 17 this year.

7. Recently India has appointed General K.K. When was the 75th Army Day celebrated to honor M. Cariappa?

- a) 13th January
- b) 14th January
- c) 15th January
- d) 16th January

Explanation:- India has appointed General K.K. 75th Army Day celebrated on 15 Jan 2023 to honor M. Cariappa. On this day, Cariappa killed the last British Commander-in-Chief General Sir F.K. R. R. Butcher took over the command of the Indian Army. The Army Day parade was held outside Delhi for the first time in Bengaluru. For the first time Army Day was organized outside the national capital to increase people's participation. The 'Shaurya Sandhya' began with a standing salute to the chief guest and a fly past by Advanced Light Helicopter-WSI, Army Aviation Helicopter and Microlight aircraft of Army Adventure Wing. This was followed by an exciting display of equestrian sports of tent pegging and six bar jumping.

8. Recently who has become the fifth highest run scorer in the history of ODI cricket?

- a) Virat Kohli
- b) Rohit Sharma
- c) David Warner
- d) Joy Root

Explanation:- Indian cricketer Virat Kohli became the fifth highest run scorer in the history of ODI cricket. He made it during India's third and final ODI series against Sri Lanka in Kerala. Virat Kohli scored 12,652 runs in 268 ODIs at an average of 57.78, including 45 centuries and 65 half-centuries. He went past Mahela Jayawardene, who has scored 12,650 runs in 448 matches.

1. Which country has announced the release of a postage stamp with the portrait of India's first PM Jawaharlal Nehru on its 75th Independence Day?

- a) Bhutan
- b) Nepal
- c) Fiji
- d) Sri Lanka

Explanation:- Sri Lanka, As part of its 75th National Independence Day celebrations, Sri Lanka has decided to issue a commemorative postage stamp which includes the portrait of Jawaharlal Nehru, the first Prime Minister of India. This information has been given in a press release issued by the Media Division of the President of Sri Lanka. The main function of the National Independence Day celebrations will be held on February 4 in the presence of President Ranil Wickremesinghe and Prime Minister Dinesh Gunawardene.

2. Who has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to Armenia?

- a) Nilakshi Saha Sinha
- b) Sibi George
- c) Arindam Bagchi
- d) Nripendra Mishra

Explanation:- Neelakshi Saha Sinha has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the Republic of Armenia. Neelakshi is currently posted as Joint Secretary in the Ministry of External Affairs. Armenia is a nation located in the Caucasus region between Asia and Europe

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that was formerly part of the Soviet Republic.
Capital of Armenia:- Yerevan

3. Recently which state government has given approval to restore the old pension scheme?

- a) Uttarakhand
- b) Himachal Pradesh**
- c) Haryana
- d) Rajasthan

Explanation:- Fulfilling an election promise, the Himachal Pradesh government led by Chief Minister Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu approved the restoration of the old pension scheme. There are over 1.36 lakh employees including employees and pensioners under the New Pension Scheme (NPS). Chhattisgarh and Rajasthan, where both states are ruled by Congress governments, and Punjab, where the AAP government is in power, have already launched the old pension scheme.

4. When has the 148th foundation day of the Indian Meteorological Department been celebrated?

- a) 14 January
- b) 15 January**
- c) 16 January
- d) 17 January

Explanation:- Every year the Indian Meteorological Department celebrates its foundation day on 15 January. In the year 2023, the Indian Meteorological Department celebrated its 148th foundation day. This day is organized by the Ministry of Earth Sciences. The Indian Meteorological Department also performs important work in weather forecasting services in the country under this ministry. The Meteorological Department has five observatories, which are recognized by the World Meteorological Organization. These observatories are located at Chennai, Mumbai, Pune, Thiruvananthapuram and Panjim.
Establishment of Indian Meteorological Department :- January 15, 1875 Headquarters

of Indian Meteorological Department :- New Delhi

5. In which city India and Egypt have recently announced to hold the first military exercise 'Cyclone 1' involving special forces?

- a) Indore
- b) Chilka
- c) Rohtak
- d) Udaipur**

Explanation:- India and Egypt have announced to hold the first military exercise "Cyclone 1" involving special forces in Udaipur in January 2023. It is being organized to celebrate 75 years of diplomatic relations between the two countries. Egypt has also been invited as a guest country at the G20 summit to be held in 2023. In April 2022, Egypt announced the inclusion of India in the list of recognized countries.

6. SPIC MACAY in association with which ministry is organizing a 'Music in the Park' series named "Shruti Amrit"?

- a) Ministry of Culture**
- b) Ministry of Home Affairs
- c) Ministry of External Affairs
- d) Ministry of Tourism

Explanation:- SPIC MACAY in collaboration with Ministry of Culture is organizing 'Music in the Park' series named "Shruti Amrit". The concert began with a sarod performance by Aman Ali Bangash, a 7th generation musician from the Senia Bangash Gharana. Aman Ali Bangash was accompanied by Anubrata Chatterjee and Abhishek Mishra. This was followed by a Hindustani vocal performance by Padma Bhushan Begum Parveen Sultana of Patiala Gharana along with Akram Khan, Srinivas Acharya and Shadab Sultana.

7. Which has become the first state in the country to implement the Blindness Control Policy recently?

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

Explanation:- To reduce the rate of blindness, the Rajasthan government implemented a blindness control policy. It became the first state in the country to do so. It is implemented with the objective of 'right to site'. On January 13, on the instructions of Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot, a document on the prevention of blindness policy was issued by the Medical and Health Department.

8. Recently the Central Government has announced the launch of National Urban Technology Mission for municipal services and ULBs with an estimated outlay for five years?

- a) 5,000 crores
- b) 10,000 crores
- c) 15,000 crores
- d) 20,000 crores

Explanation:- The central government has announced the launch of the National Urban Technology Mission for municipal services and ULBs. It will promote technological innovations in municipal services and infrastructure of 4,500 urban local bodies in the country. The mission is being headed by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, which may have three main sub-heads. The mission outlay for five years is estimated to be Rs 15,000 crore.

1. Who has recently notified India's first National Valuation Regulator, PARAKH?

- a) NCERT
- b) CBSE
- c) NTSE
- d) ICSE

Explanation:- The National Council of Education Research and Training (NCERT) has notified India's first national assessment regulator, PARAKH, in January 2023. PARAKH will work on

setting norms, standards and guidelines for student assessment for all recognized school boards in the country. The full form of PARAKH is Performance Appraisal, Review and Analysis of Knowledge for Holistic Development. PARAKH has been launched as part of the implementation of the National Education Policy (NEP) – 2020, which envisages a standard-setting body. The body will advise school boards on new assessment patterns and latest research and promote collaboration between them.

2. Who has been appointed as the Deputy NSA in the National Security Council Secretariat?

- a) Dayanand Mishra
- b) Venu Gupta
- c) Pawan Kumar Goyal
- d) Pankaj Kumar Singh

Explanation:- Recently Pankaj Kumar Singh has been appointed as the Deputy National Security Advisor (NSA). He is a 1988 batch IPS officer of Rajasthan cadre. He retired as the Director General of BSF on December 31, 2022. He has been appointed as the Deputy NSA in the National Security Council Secretariat for a period of two years. Apart from BSF, he has also served in CRPF. He was instrumental in reducing cattle smuggling through the borders of West Bengal and Assam.

3. In which district of Bihar two 1200 years old miniature stupas have been discovered by ASI?

- a) went
- b) Nalanda
- c) Arwal
- d) Kaimur

Explanation:- During landscaping activities within the premises of 'Nalanda Mahavihara' in Bihar's Nalanda district, the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) discovered two 1200-year-old miniature stupas. The stupa is a hemispherical structure that symbolizes the tomb of the Buddha. Stupas carved out of stone

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have Buddha figures. Such stupas were popular in India as early as the 7th century as votive offerings.

4. Which terrorist from Pakistan has been listed as a global terrorist by the United Nations Security Council (UNSC)?

- a) Syed Rahmani
- b) Zakir Rahman
- c) Abdul Rehman Makki
- d) Abdul Rauf Azhar

Explanation:- Pakistan-based terrorist Abdul Rehman Makki has been listed as a global terrorist by the United Nations Security Council (UNSC). The decision comes after China lifted a hold on its proposal to list Makki as a terrorist. Last year, China blocked a proposal to list Maizy. In June 2022, India and the US proposed to list Makki under the 1267 Al-Qaeda Sanctions Committee of the United Nations Security Council.

5. Recently the 5th edition of Foreign Policy and Security Dialogue between India and which country was held in Seoul?

- a) South Korea
- b) Qatar
- c) Kazakhstan
- d) Myanmar

Explanation:- The fifth foreign policy and security dialogue between India and South Korea concluded on 17 January 2023. The talks were held in Seoul. During the two-day talks, both sides agreed to deepen cooperation in various fields. These areas include trade and investment, security and defence, science and technology as well as cultural and people-to-people exchanges.

6. Which company has recently acquired the media rights of Women's IPL?

- a) Paytm

b) Viacom 18

c) Disney Star

d) Sony Network

Explanation:- Viacom has acquired the media rights (TV and Digital) of Women's IPL for the next 5 years (2023-27) for Rs 951 crore, which is worth Rs 7.09 crore per match. The auctions of these media rights were conducted for global rights in three categories linear (TV), digital and combined (TV and digital). A total of 134 matches will be held in the Women's IPL (WIPL) in the next five years, including five teams. Under this, 22 matches will be organized every year in the first three years.

7. Bilateral naval exercise 'Naval Exercise Varuna' is being organized between India and which country?

- a) America
- b) Germany
- c) France
- d) Australia

Explanation:- The 21st edition of the bilateral naval exercise 'Varun' has started between India and France. It will be organized from 16 to 20 January. This naval exercise between India and France was started in the year 1993. In the year 2001, this naval exercise was named 'Varuna' which has become a hallmark of India-France strategic bilateral relations. Exercise 'Garuda' (Air Force), Exercise 'Shakti' (Army) and Exercise Desert Night (Air Force) are other defense exercises between India and France.

8. Recently in which district of Uttar Pradesh the second phase of MP Khel Mahakumbh 2022-23 has started?

- a) Agra
- b) Basti
- c) Deoria
- d) Ballia

Explanation:- PM Modi inaugurated the second phase of Sansad Khel Mahakumbh 2022-23 in

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Basti district of Uttar Pradesh through video conferencing. Indoor and outdoor games like wrestling, kabaddi, kho kho, basketball, football, hockey, chess, badminton and table tennis are organized under Khel Mahakumbh. Apart from these, competitions for essay writing, painting and Rangoli making are also organized.

1. Recently which bank partnered with ' Garuda Aerospace ' under the Kisan Pushpak scheme ?

- a) State Bank of India
- b) Bank of Baroda
- c) Union Bank of India
- d) HDFC Bank

Ans :- Chennai-based drone startup Garuda Aerospace has partnered with Union Bank of India as 150 Garuda Krishi Kisan drones have been approved for loans under the Kisan Pushpak scheme. The drone loan will help farmers with land record operations for crop production, and spraying of fertilizers, chemicals and pesticides. Agri Infrastructure Fund Scheme to finance 150 drone applications that will benefit the farming community and create 150 skilled pilots who will engage to become entrepreneurs.

2. Who will be the first woman officer of Border Roads Organization (BRO) to be posted on foreign assignment ?

- a) Captain Surabhi Jakhmola
- b) Captain Lakshmi Sharma
- c) Captain Jyoti Verma
- d) Captain Aarti Chauhan

Ans :- Captain Surabhi Jakhmola will be the first woman officer to be posted on foreign assignment in BRO. Captain Surabhi Jakhmola of the 117 Engineer Regiment of the Indian Army will be the first woman officer of the Border Roads Organization (BRO) to be posted on a foreign assignment. Captain Surabhi Jakhmola will be part of Project Dantak in

Bhutan. The deployment of Captain Surabhi Jakhmola comes just after the deployment of woman fighter pilot Avani Chaturvedi by the Indian Air Force to Japan for the Veer Guardian 2023 exercise.

3. Recently after more than 90 years a rare species of duck ' Greater Scoop ' has been sighted in Loktak lake . In which state is this lake located ?

- a) Manipur
- b) Assam
- c) Sikkim
- d) Tripura

Ans :- A rare species of duck 'Greater Scoop' has been sighted after more than 90 years in Manipur's Loktak Lake. This duck species was sighted by ornithologist Kumam Jugeshwar and members of Wildlife Explorers Manipur. Greater Scoop is also locally known as 'Sadangaman'. Greater Scoop belongs to the family of Anatidae. It is a medium-sized diving duck species.

4. Who has received the first Federal Bank Literary Award 2022 for his autobiography ' Ornavasanthinte Katha ' ?

- a) Chandrashekhar Sharma
- b) K Venu
- c) Balagopal Krishna
- d) Sunil Desai

Ans :- Renowned writer K Venu won the first Federal Bank Literary Award 2022. On 15 January, K Venu received the award for his autobiography, 'Ornavasanthinte Katha'. He received the award from Balagopal Chandrasekhar, chairman and independent director of Federal Bank, at a function organized as part of the ongoing Kerala Literature Festival.

5. Who was recently awarded the ICC Men's Player of the Month award in January 2023 ?

- a) David Warner

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b) Tom Latham

c) Harry Brooke

d) Suryakumar Yadav

Ans :- England's rising star batsman Harry Brook was awarded the ICC Men's Player of the Month award in January 2023. Two other contenders in the race for the Men's Player of the Month award for December 2022 were Pakistan's star batsman Babar Azam and Australia's Travis Head, whom Brooke won the award.

6. When is the raising day of National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) celebrated every year?

a) 16 January

b) January 17

c) 18 January

d) January 19

Ans :- National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) Foundation Day is celebrated on 19 January every year. This year 2023, NDRF celebrated its 18th Foundation Day. It is celebrated to highlight the determination and achievements of NDRF personnel. The day is being celebrated since 2006 when the rescue force was officially formed.

7. Who has recently become the youngest player to score a double century in ODIs ?

a) Michael Bracewell

b) Shubman Gill

c) Ishan Kishan

d) Suryakumar Yadav

Ans :- Shubman Gill has become the youngest player to score a double century in ODIs. On 18 January, India's right-handed opening batsman Shubman Gill scored a brilliant maiden double century in the 1st ODI against New Zealand at the Rajiv Gandhi International Stadium in Hyderabad. Shubman Gill scored 208 runs in 149 balls with the help of 19 fours and nine sixes during his innings.

8. In which state has India 's first 3x platform wind turbine generator been installed recently ?

a) Tamil Nadu

b) Kerala

c) Maharashtra

d) Karnataka

Ans :- ReNew Power has installed India's first 3x platform Wind Turbine Generators (WTGs) at Gadag, Karnataka. These new wind turbine generators will be part of the country's first 'round the clock' renewable energy project, which combines wind, solar and battery energy storage systems (BESS). The project will produce energy to power over 1 million homes in India annually.