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1. Who is Chitra Ghosh, recently seen in news?

- A. Indian barrister
- B. Indian scientist
- C. Indian actor
- D. Indian singer

Explanation:

Chitra Ghosh, the youngest daughter of Sarat Chandra Bose and niece of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, passed away on January 7, 2021. Sarat Chandra Bose (1889 - 1950) was an Indian barrister and independence activist.

2. Natural Capital Accounting and Valuation of the Ecosystem Services (NCAVES) India Forum-2021 is being organised by

- A. NITI Aayog
- B. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
- C. Ministry of Finance
- D. Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation**

Explanation:

NCAVES India Forum 2021 is being organised by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI). The NCAVES Project, funded by EU, has been jointly implemented by the United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD), the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the Secretariat of the Convention of Biological Diversity (CBD).

3. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the 'Mera Gaon Mera Gaurav'?

- A. The flagship programme of the Prime Minister of India, "Mera Gaon Mera Gaurav" was launched in 2015.
- B. The objective of this scheme is to provide farmers with required information, knowledge and advisories on regular basis by adopting villages.
- C. Both A & B**

D. None of these

Explanation:

Under the ICAR's initiative 'Mera Gaon Mera Gaurav', Cleanliness drive was carried out recently in Ibrampur, Veling and Parra villages. The flagship programme of the Prime Minister of India, "Mera Gaon Mera Gaurav" was launched in 2015. The objective of this scheme is to provide farmers with required information, knowledge and advisories on regular basis by adopting villages.

4. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the DRDO?

A. According to the recent MOU between MAHA-METRO and DRDO through which DRDO will render technical support for the implementation of its advanced biodigester Mk-II technology for the treatment of human waste (night soil) in the metro rail network.

B. DRDO's biodigester is an indigenous, green and cost-effective technology, with a rare distinction of having one of the largest numbers of DRDO-licensees (ToT holders).

C. Both A & B

D. None of these

Explanation:

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was inked on January 5, 2021 between MAHA-METRO and DRDO through which DRDO will render technical support for the implementation of its advanced biodigester Mk-II technology for the treatment of human waste (night soil) in the metro rail network. DRDO's biodigester is an indigenous, green and cost-effective technology, with a rare distinction of having one of the largest numbers of DRDO-licensees (ToT holders).

5. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the subsidiary bodies of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC)?

A. China will chair the Counter-Terrorism Committee of UNSC in 2022.

B. India will be assuming the chair of the Libya Sanctions Committee.

C. Both A & B

D. None of these

Explanation:

India will be chairing three-key subsidiary bodies of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC). The panels are, Counter-Terrorism Committee (for 2022), Taliban Sanctions Committee, and Libya Sanctions committee. The panels are, Counter-Terrorism Committee (for 2022), Taliban Sanctions Committee, and Libya Sanctions committee. India will be

assuming the chair of the Libya Sanctions Committee at a critical juncture when there is an international focus on Libya and on the peace process.

6. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Care and Maintenance of Case Property Animals) Rules, 2017?

- A. The rules were framed under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960.
- B. The 2017 Rules does not allow a Magistrate to forfeit the cattle of an owner facing trial under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act.
- C. Both A & B
- D. None of these

Explanation:

The Supreme Court asked the Centre to “delete” its three-year-old law which allowed seizure and subsequent confiscation in ‘gaushalas’ of livestock from people, who depended on these animals for a livelihood, even before they were found guilty of cruelty towards them. The rules were framed under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960. The Supreme Court warned the government that it would “stay” the implementation of a 2017 law, which allowed authorities to seize cattle on a mere suspicion that they suffered cruel treatment at the hands of their owners or were being primed for slaughter.

7. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the Renewable Energy?

- A. Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Limited (IREDA) signed a Memorandum of Understanding with NHPC Limited for providing its technical expertise in developing renewable energy projects.
- B. IREDA is under administrative control of Ministry of Power.
- C. Both A & B
- D. None of these

Explanation:

Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Limited, IREDA under administrative control of Ministry of New and Renewable Energy signed a Memorandum of Understanding with NHPC Limited, the PSU under Ministry of Power for providing its technical expertise in developing renewable energy projects. Under the MoU, IREDA will undertake Techno-Financial due diligence of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency and conservation projects for NHPC.

8. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the Jammu and Kashmir?

A. In the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir, the Centre has recently merged J&K cadre for all India Services with that of Arunachal Pradesh, Goa, Mizoram and Union Territory (AGMUT).

B. Earlier the rule fixing the ratio of direct recruits in Civil Services to promotees from J&K State Civil Services (Kashmir Administrative Service) at 50:50 instead of 67:33 formula followed in other states.

C. Both A & B

D. None of these

Explanation:

The Jammu and Kashmir cadre of IPS, IAS and Indian Forest Service (IFoS) was merged with the AGMUT cadre and its officers will now be posted by the central government. The President has promulgated an ordinance to amend J&K Reorganisation Act, 2019 and make IAS, IPS and Indian Forest Service officers of existing cadre of J&K a part of AGMUT cadre. The move will allow officers posted in these states and UTs to work in J&K and vice versa. The move will help tackle the shortage of All India Services Officers in J&K owing to an earlier rule fixing the ratio of direct recruits in Civil Services to promotees from J&K State Civil Services (Kashmir Administrative Service) at 50:50 instead of 67:33 formula followed in other states.

9. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the Government's Digital Calendar and Diary App?

A. It is available in Hindi and English, but it will be available in 11 languages from 15th of this month.

B. The calendar has a theme for every month and it will also have all information of 100 revolutionary programmes of the government.

C. Both A & B

D. None of these

Explanation:

Information and Broadcasting Minister Prakash Javadekar launched Government's Digital calendar and Diary App in New Delhi. It is available in Hindi and English, but it will be available in 11 languages from 15th of this month. The calendar has a theme for every month and it will also have all information of 100 revolutionary programmes of the government.

10. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the Internationalized Domain Name?

- A. The National Internet Exchange of India, NIXI has announced that it will offer a free Internationalized Domain Name, IDN in any of the preferred 22 official Indian language along with every IN domain booked by the registrant.
- B. National Internet Exchange of India, NIXI is a not for profit organization
- C. Both A & B**
- D. None of these

Explanation:

The National Internet Exchange of India (NIXI) announced that it will offer a free IDN (Internationalized Domain Name) in any of their preferred 22 official Indian language along with every IN domain booked by the registrant. Applicant will also get a free email in local language. This offer has been created to stimulate the adoption of (IDN) domain name and proliferation of local language content. National Internet Exchange of India, NIXI is a not for profit organization.