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- 1. Who was Narendra Luther, recently seen in news?
- A. ISRO Scientist
- B. Athlete
- C. Film artist

D. Civil servant

Explanation:

Civil servant, historian, author, poet and chronicler Narendra Luther passed away at the age of 89. Narendra Luther (1932 -2021) was a writer, civil servant, author and columnist.

2. Somnath temple believed to be the first among the twelve jyotirlinga shrines of Lord Shiva, is located in

- A. Gujarat
- B. Rajasthan
- C. Punjab
- D. Uttar Pradesh

Explanation:

Prime Minister Narendra Modi was unanimously chosen as the new chairman of the trust which manages the world famous Somnath Temple at Prabhas Patan town in Gujarat's Gir-Somnath district, becoming the second PM to hold the post. The Somnath temple is also known as the Deo Patan. It is located in Prabhas Patan near Veraval in Saurashtra on the western coast of Gujarat. It is believed to be the first among the twelve jyotirlinga shrines of Shiva.

3. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the Air Quality Management (CAQM) DSS for Delhi NCR?

A. This tool will help immensely in capturing the static and dynamic features of the emissions from various sources.

B. It will have an integrated framework to handle both primary and secondary pollutants using chemical transport model.

C. Both A & B

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D. None of these

Explanation:

The Commission for Air Quality Management (CAQM) in Delhi National Capital Region (NCR) and adjoining areas has begun the process of setting up a Decision Support System (DSS) for air quality having a web, GIS and multi-model based operational and planning decision support tool. This tool will help immensely in capturing the static and dynamic features of the emissions from various sources. It will have an integrated framework to handle both primary and secondary pollutants using chemical transport model.

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

A. Rajasthan has huge Potash and Halite resources spread across 50,000 sq. kms in the Nagaur - Ganganagar basin in the northwest.

B. Potash includes various mined and manufactured salts that contain potassium in watersoluble form.

C. Both A & B

D. None of these

Explanation:

A tripartite pact was signed among Mineral Exploration Corporation Ltd (MECL), Rajasthan State Mines & Minerals Ltd (RSMML) and the Department of Mines and Geology (DMG) of Rajasthan for taking up feasibility studies of solution mining of potash in the state. Rajasthan has huge Potash and Halite resources spread across 50,000 sq. kms in the Nagaur - Ganganagar basin in the northwest. Potash includes various mined and manufactured salts that contain potassium in water-soluble form.

5. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the "ShramShakti"?

A. It is a National Migration Support Portal

B. With this, Goa is going to be first destination state of India to set up dedicated migration cell to address diverse issues of migrant workers.

C. Both A & B

D. None of these

Explanation:

The Union Minister of Tribal Affairs Shri Arjun Munda launched "ShramShakti", a National Migration Support Portal at a programme held at Panjim, Goa. It would effectively help in the smooth formulation of state and national level programs for migrant workers. With this, Goa is

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going to be first destination state of India to set up dedicated migration cell to address diverse issues of migrant workers.

6. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme?

A. It aims at promotion of domestic manufacturing of critical key starting materials (KSMs)/drug intermediates and active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs) in the country.

B. The scheme was launched by Department of Science and Technology.

- C. Both A & B
- D. None of these

Explanation:

The government has given approval to drug firms including Aurobindo Pharma and Karnataka Antibiotics & Pharmaceuticals under the PLI scheme for promotion of domestic manufacturing of critical bulk drugs. The Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme aims at promotion of domestic manufacturing of critical key starting materials (KSMs)/drug intermediates and active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs) in the country.

7. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the Smart Anti-Airfield Weapon (SAAW)?

A. SAAW is indigenously designed and developed by DRDO's Research Centre Imarat (RCI) Hyderabad.

B. This is 125 Kg class smart weapon, capable of engaging ground enemy airfield assets such as radars, bunkers, taxi tracks, and runways etc. up to a range of 100 kms.

C. Both A & B

D. None of these

Explanation:

DRDO has successfully conducted captive and release trial of indigenously developed Smart Anti-Airfield Weapon (SAAW) from Hawk-i of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) off the Odisha coast. SAAW is indigenously designed and developed by DRDO's Research Centre Imarat (RCI) Hyderabad. This is 125 Kg class smart weapon, capable of engaging ground enemy airfield assets such as radars, bunkers, taxi tracks, and runways etc. up to a range of 100 kms. The high precision guided bomb is light weight as compared to weapon system of the same class.

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- 8. Who among the following was the author of "Anukampadasakam"?
 - A. Ayyankali
 - B. Chattampi Swamikal
 - C. Kumaran Asan
 - D. Sri Narayana Guru

Explanation:

Vice President of India launched a book of poems, "Not Many, But One" (Two Volumes), an English translation of poems of Sree Narayana Guru by Prof G.K. Sasidharan. Narayana Guru (1855 - 1928) was a philosopher, spiritual leader and social reformer in India. He was born into a family that belonged to the Ezhava caste.

- 9. When Parakram Diwas is celebrated?
- A. 21 January
- B. 22 January
- C. 23 January
- D. 24 January

Explanation:

Government of India had decided to celebrate the birthday of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose, on 23rd January, as 'Parakram Diwas' every year. A day before his Kolkata visit for the launch of 'Parakram Diwas' celebrations to mark the birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, Prime Minister Narendra Modi reminisced about Haripura in Gujarat, a significant venue in Netaji's political journey.

- 10. Where the historic Jerenga Pothar is located?
- A. Assam
- B. Bihar
- C. Kerala
- D. Odisha

Explanation:

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has visited Assam on January 23, 2021. The venue for Modi's programme – where he launched an Assam government initiative to distribute over one lakh

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land pattas (documents) to indigenous communities of the state — is the historic Jerenga Pothar in Upper Assam's Sivasagar district.

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