

1. Rushikulya river, which was making news recently, is located in which state?

- A) Karnataka
 B) Odisha
 C) Andhra Pradesh
 D) Bihar



- ✓ The Rushikulya river mouth, located in the state of Odisha is considered as the second-biggest rookery of Olive Ridley Turtles in India after Gahirmatha. This year, the annual mass nesting of millions of Olive Ridley sea turtles near the Rushikulya river mouth is likely to be missed, as the time for nesting process is set to be over. In March 2020, over 3 lakh turtles nested in the same place.

2. World Tuna Day is observed on May 2 every year. Which SDG calls for sustainable use of Oceans and marine resources?

- A) SDG 7
 B) SDG 9
 C) SDG 11
 D) SDG 14



- ✓ Tuna and tuna-like species is a significant source of food, due to their nutritional properties, in both developed and developing countries. Their meat is rich in Omega-3 and it also contains minerals, proteins, and vitamin B12. In 2016, the United Nations General Assembly declared to officially observe World Tuna Day on May 2 every year.
- ✓ Sustainable Development Goal 14 aims to conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources – applies to the global tuna market.

3. Crimson Solar Project, is a mega solar energy project, is to be set up in which country?

- A) UAE
 B) Russia
 C) Germany
 D) USA



- ✓ The USA Government has approved a major solar energy project in the California desert that would be capable of powering nearly 90,000 homes. The USD-550 million Crimson Solar Project will be set up on 2,000 acres of federal land at California. It is being developed by Canadian Solar unit Recurrent Energy. This step aims to fight climate change, create jobs and reduce dependence on fossil fuels.

4. The Democratic Republic of Congo has declared the end of outbreak of which disease?

- A) Smallpox
 B) Ebola
 C) Malaria
 D) Encephalitis



- ✓ The Democratic Republic of Congo declared the end of Ebola outbreak, which infected 12 people in the eastern province and killed six of them. The country contained the outbreak using Merck's (MRK.N) Ebola vaccine. The virus can remain in certain body fluids, including semen, of a patient who has recovered from the disease.

5. What is "Dhruv Mk - III MR"?

- A) ICAR's new rice variety B) Advanced Light Helicopter
 C) Surface to Surface Missile D) Pulse Doppler Radar

- ✓ Dhruv Mk - III MR is an Advanced Light Helicopter designed and developed by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL), Bengaluru.
- ✓ The helicopter has been tested and it has successfully demonstrated deck operations on board an Indian Coast Guard Ship, off the coast of Chennai. The helicopter has been developed to be deployed by the Indian Coast Guard.

6. What is the new rate of IGST applicable to Import of Oxygen Concentrators for personal use?

- A) 5%
 B) 10%
 C) 12%
 D) 18%



- ✓ The Government of India has brought down the IGST for import of Oxygen Concentrators for personal use from the present 28% slab to 12%. This would be applicable till 30th June 2021. This rare reduction comes in the wake of a sudden surge in the demand for oxygen, used for COVID infected patients.

7. Article 164 of the Indian constitution deals with

- A) President of India
 B) Provisions of Minister of State Government
 C) Division of Powers between Centre and state
 D) Appointment of Chief Justice of Supreme Court



- ✓ The Article 164 of the Indian constitution deals with the Provisions of the Minister of a state.
- ✓ It stated that the Chief Minister of a state shall be appointed by the Governor and the other Ministers of the state shall be appointed by the Governor in consultation with the Chief Minister. It also states that a Minister, who is not an MLA for six consecutive months, ceases to be a Minister, after the expiry of 6 months.

8. Who has been appointed as the Acting Chairperson of the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC)?

- A) S A Bobde
 B) A K Sikri
 C) P K Mishra
 D) P C Pant



- ✓ Justice (retired) Prafulla Chandra Pant, who is a member of the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC), has been appointed its Acting Chairperson with effect from April 25 2021. Prior to his appointment as NHRC member, he was a Judge of the Supreme Court from 2014 to 2017. He had also held the position of Chief Justice of the High Court of Meghalaya from 2013 to 2014.

9. What is the name of the operation launched by the Indian Armed Force, to tackle COVID-19 pandemic?

- A) Operation Bharat
 B) Operation AatmaNirbhar
 C) Operation CO-JEET
 D) Operation CO-WIN



- ✓ The Indian armed forces have launched operation "CO-JEET" to support anti-COVID-19 efforts of the country. It aims to strengthen medical infrastructure and oxygen supply chains and to ensure mental wellbeing of people. The personnel of the Army, the Air Force and the Navy have been engaged to help restore oxygen supply chains, set up COVID beds and provide help to the administration.

10. Padma river, the main distributary of the Ganges, flows in which country?

- A) Nepal
- B) Bangladesh
- C) China
- D) Myanmar



- ✓ Padma river is main distributary of the Ganges, which forms the western boundary between India and Bangladesh before it enters Bangladesh. Recently, a ferryboat with over 30 passengers overturned after hitting a sand-laden cargo vessel in the Padma River. At least 26 people dead in the accident occurred at the old Kanthalbari ferry terminal of Bangladesh.
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