1. Vidya Bal, who passed away recently is associated with_____________.
a) Feminist  
b) Social Activist  
c) writer  
d) All the above  
Answer d) All the above. The Veteran Feminist, Social Activist and writer passed away in private nursing home on January 30, 2020. She was known for her heroic oppressive practices involving women. She was a forefront fighter for women equality with men.

2. APEDA - in this "A" represents_____________.
a) Agro  
b) Agriculture  
c) Authority  
d) Awas  
Answer b) Agriculture. Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority(APEDA) along with State Government of Andhra Pradesh one of the largest member exporter of banana, dispatched the first shipment of 890 MTs of high-quality bananas loaded in 43 refrigerated containers.

3. Who has been appointed as Special Expenditure Observer for Election Commission of India?  
a) B Murali Kumar  
b) Saravana Priyan  
c) Ajay Singh  
d) Mrinal Kanti Das  
Answer a) B Murali Kumar. Election Commission of India appointed Sh B Murli Kumar (ex IRS-1983) as Special Expenditure Observer as also appointed Sh Mrinal Kanti Das (IPS 1977 Retd) as Special Police Observer for General Election to the Legislative Assembly of NCT of Delhi, 2020.

4. World’s First Transcatheter Mitral Valve Approved in___________.  
a) Europe  
b) Australia  
c) India  
d) USA  
Answer a) Europe. The Abbott Tendyne Transcatheter Mitral Valve Implantation (TMVI) system received the European CE mark. It is the first transcatheter mitral valve replacement (TMVR) technology in the world.

5. Who has been appointed as Chairman of CBIC ahead of Budget?  
a) Krunal Raj  
b) Gokul Yadav  
c) Arvind Manimaran  
d) M Ajit Kumar  
Answer d) M Ajit Kumar. Central Government appoints M Ajit Kumar as Chairman of the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs. The appointment comes just two days before the Union Budget presentation.
6. CAP India - in this "A" represents____________.
   a) Aim
   b) Association
   c) Agriculture
   d) Air
   Answer d) Air. Lucknow and Kanpur in Uttar Pradesh and Pune and Nashik in Maharashtra will launch the ‘Clean Air Project in India’ (CAP India).

7. Who will receive the prestigious French honor of ‘Chevalier dans Ordre des Arts et des Lettres (Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters)?
   a) Akshay Kumar
   b) Kamal Hassan
   c) Sanjana Kapoor
   d) Rajini Kanth
   Answer c) Sanjana Kapoor. Sanjana Kapoor will receive the prestigious French honor of ‘Chevalier dans Ordre des Arts et des Lettres (Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters) for her outstanding contribution to the field of theatre.

8. Who has become the first deaf person to row across the Atlantic Ocean?
   a) Mo O’Brien
   b) Sam J Hanna
   c) Christopher klee
   d) Steffin John
   Answer a) Mo O’Brien. Mo O’Brien aims to be the first deaf person to row across the Atlantic Ocean in a boat with her all-female team, the Oarsome Foursome, in the Talisker Whisky Atlantic Challenge 2019.

9. Who became the first woman Indian footballer to play professionally outside India?
   a) Jhulami Gosh
   b) Bala Devi
   c) Smriti Kumar
   d) Vanitha Pyush
   Answer b) Bala Devi. Rangers FC signs Indian woman footballer Bala Devi; marks history by becoming the first woman Indian footballer to play professionally outside India.

10. Who won her first Grand Slam title in Australian Open?
    a) Sofia Kenin
    b) Garbine Muguruza
    c) Maria Sharapova
    d) Fienna nugarva
    Answer a) Sofia Kenin. In Tennis, American Sofia Kenin won her first Grand Slam title with victory over Spain’s Garbine Muguruza at the Australian Open. Kenin won 4-6, 6-2, 6-2 against two-time major winner Muguruza in Melbourne.

11. Ayonika Paul is associated with which of the following sport?
    a) Shooting
    b) Wrestling
    c) Swimming
    d) Weight Lifting
    Answer a) Shooting. Olympian Ayonika Paul won the women’s 10m Air Rifle T1 event
Vijayveer Sidhu won the men’s 25m Pistol T2 event in the National Shooting trials at Thiruvananthapuram.

12. **Who has been appointed as new Northern Command chief?**
   a) Hamsi Khana  
   b) Jithendra Kumar  
   c) Yogesh Kumar Joshi  
   d) Vishnuvi Menon  
   Answer c) Yogesh Kumar Joshi. Lieutenant General Yogesh Kumar Joshi assumes charge of GOC-in-C, Northern Command in Jammu and Kashmir’s Udhampur. K Joshi was commissioned into 13 JAK RIF on 12 June 1982 and later commanded the same unit.

13. **World Wetlands Day is observed on ______________.**
   a) January 01  
   b) January 02  
   c) February 01  
   d) February 02  
   Answer d) February 02. World Wetlands Day occurs annually on February 2, marking the date of the adoption of the Convention on Wetlands on February 2, 1971 when a small group of environmentalists signed an international agreement at the Ramsar Convention in Iran.

14. **Finance Minister emphasises on building ”____________” in budget.**
   a) Climate change  
   b) Improvement of culture and tourism  
   c) Social welfare  
   d) Caring society  
   Answer d) Caring society. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman while presenting the 2020-21 budget in the Lok Sabha emphasised on building a caring society by including a slew of measures for social welfare, climate change and improvement of culture and tourism.

15. **NIRVIK scheme to provide high insurance cover for __________.**
   a) Travellers  
   b) Journalist  
   c) Exporters  
   d) Government Employees  
   Answer a) Exporters. The government’s proposed scheme to provide enhanced insurance cover and reduce premium for small exporters is timely amid India’s slowing exports, industry said.

16. **Fiscal deficit hits __________ % of Budget estimate till December.**
   a) 123  
   b) 132  
   c) 149  
   d) 179  
   Answer b) 132. The government’s fiscal deficit touched 132.4% of the full-year target at December-end mainly due to slower pace of revenue collections, official data showed.
17. Who has been appointed as Chairman of the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC)?
   a) Abhay Krishna
   b) M Ajith Kumar
   c) Ligesh Reddy
   d) Stalin Ruben
   Answer: b) M Ajith Kumar. The Government of India appointed M Ajith Kumar IRS (C&CE 84) as Chairman of the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC).

18. India’s largest Defence Exhibition is to be held in ______________.
   a) Pune
   b) Lucknow
   c) Vishakapatnam
   d) Krishapatnam
   Answer: b) Lucknow. India’s largest Defence Exhibition is to be held in Lucknow between February 5, 2020 and February 8, 2020. During the exhibition, India showcases its existing and new defence technologies to the world. As a part of the event, the India-Africa Defence Conclave is to be held.

19. Matla Abhiyan is associated with___________.
   a) Army
   b) Air Force
   c) Railway
   d) Navy
   Answer: d) Navy. The Indian Navy conducted the Coastal Security Exercise, Malta Abhiyan in the Sunderbans region and the exercise is unique of its kind.

20. India and ____________ sign MoU to establish Addu Tourism.
   a) Indonesia
   b) Bangladesh
   c) Maldives
   d) Sri Lanka
   Answer: c) Maldives. India and Maldives signed 5 Memorandum of Understandings to establish Addu Tourism in 5 islands of Addu atoll. The tourism is to be developed at a cost of 2.49 million USD. Addu is a city in Maldives that contains several inhabited Islands.

21. Who is the new Prime Minister of Iraq?
   a) Sabith Hussain
   b) Ashik Abbas Alla
   c) Mohammed Allawi
   d) Sibin Siddique
   Answer: c) Mohammed Allawi. Anti-government protesters in Iraq have been quick to dismiss President Barham Salih’s appointment of Mohammed Tawfiq Allawi as prime minister-designate, as rallies took place in the capital, Baghdad, and cities in the country’s southern provinces.

22. Who is the Prime Minister of Bangladesh?
   a) Khaleda Zia
   b) Sheikh Hasina
   c) Obaidul Quader
23. **India raises import tax on crude palm oil to _______%**.
   - a) 44
   - b) 33
   - c) 21
   - d) 94
   Answer: a) 44. India has raised import tax on crude palm oil to 44% from 37.5%, a government notification said, as the world’s biggest palm oil importer tries to boost local oilseed production.

24. **Who has been appointed by the United Nations as its Resident Coordinator in Thailand?**
   - a) Gita Sabarwal
   - b) Divya Govind
   - c) Bhuvana Maran
   - d) Antonio Gurenna
   Answer: a) Gita Sabarwal. India’s Gita Sabharwal has been appointed by the United Nations as its Resident Coordinator in Thailand. She was appointed by UN Secretary-General António Guterres with the host Government’s approval on January 29, 2020.

25. **Who won his record 8th Men’s singles title in Australian Open?**
   - a) Rajeev Ram
   - b) Max Purcell
   - c) Dominic Thiem
   - d) Novak Djokovic
   Answer: d) Novak Djokovic. In tennis, Serbia’s Novak Djokovic won his record 8th Men’s singles title in Australian Open at Rod Laver Arena in Melbourne. He beat first-time Australian Open finalist Dominic Thiem of Austria.

26. **Budget 2020-21 announces largest ever science mission with an outlay of ___________crore for National Mission on Quantum Technologies & Applications.**
   - a) 6000
   - b) 7000
   - c) 8000
   - d) 9000
   Answer: c) 8000. The government in its budget 2020 has announced a National Mission on Quantum Technologies & Applications (NM-QTA) with a total budget outlay of Rs 8000 Crore for a period of five years to be implemented by the Department of Science & Technology (DST).

27. **EPFO - in this "P" represents____________.**
   - a) Public
   - b) Provident
   - c) Private
   - d) Provided
   Answer: b) Provident. EPFOs (Employment Provident Fund Organization).
28. SAMPRITI-IX - a joint military exercise between India and__________.
   a) Russia  
b) Bangladesh  
c) China  
d) Japan
Answer b) Bangladesh. The objective of SAMPRITI-IX is to provide basic counter-terrorism training for mountainous and jungle locations.

29. India-Bangladesh joint military exercise SAMPRITI-IX begins in ________________.
   a) Meghalaya  
b) Manipur  
c) Assam  
d) Arunachal Pradesh
Answer a) Meghalaya. It is the ninth edition of India-Bangladesh joint military exercise Sampriti. The exercise commenced at Umroi, Meghalaya on February 03, 2020. The objective of SAMPRITI-IX is to provide basic counter-terrorism training for mountainous and jungle locations.

30. World Cancer Day is observed on _____________.
   a) February 01  
b) February 02  
c) February 03  
d) February 04
Answer d) February 04. World Cancer Day is the one singular initiative under which the entire world can unite together in the fight against the global cancer epidemic. It takes place every year on 4 February.

31. Theme for World Cancer Day 2020 is _____________.
   a) I can, we can  
b) I Am and I Will  
c) Not Beyond Us  
d) Debunk the Myths
Answer b) I Am and I Will.

32. Who is the new CEO (Bangalore Complex) of HAL?
   a) Harish Kumar  
b) Amitabh Bhatt  
c) Rahul Ravindran  
d) Santhosh Reddy Ram
Answer b) Amitabh Bhatt. Amitabh Bhatt has taken over as Chief Executive Officer of Bengaluru-headquartered defence PSU, Hindustan Aeronautics Limited’s Bangalore Complex.

33. RFID - in this "R" represents _____________.
   a) Reserve  
b) Research  
c) Radio  
d) None of these
Answer c) Radio. Indian Railways has announced that it will equip all coaches and engines
with radio-frequency identification (RFID) tags. About 3, 50,000 passenger coaches and freight coaches of the railways will be equipped with RFID tags for their smart monitoring.

34. Mirabai Chanu won gold in event, is associated with ______________.
   a) Shooting  
   b) Weightlifting  
   c) Swimming  
   d) Boxing
   Answer b) Weightlifting. In Weightlifting, former world champion Mirabai Chanu bettered her own national record by two kilogram as she lifted a total of 203kg to win the 49kg gold in the National Championships in Kolkata.

35. According to WHO report, Cancer Cases to increase by _______% in 2040.
   a) 52  
   b) 69  
   c) 75  
   d) 81  
   Answer d) 81. While the world marked World Cancer Day on February 4, 2020, the World Health Organization released its report on Cancer. According to the report, the cancer cases will increase by 81% by 2040. This is mainly due to lack of investment.

36. Which state government has launched the Janasevaka scheme?
   a) Kerala  
   b) Tamil Nadu  
   c) Telangana  
   d) Karnataka
   Answer d) Karnataka. The Karnataka government launched the Janasevaka scheme in a few municipal corporation wards to ensure home delivery of various services like ration cards, senior citizen identity and health cards.

   a) 232 billion  
   b) 334 billion  
   c) 124 billion  
   d) 555 billion
   Answer a) 232 billion. The world lost as much as $232 billion due to natural disasters in 2019, with India leading in casualties with 1,750 deaths, said a recent report by AON, global professional firm which provides risk solutions to insurance firms, among other things.

38. __________ signed largest-ever single foreign currency loan for $750 million.
   a) NTPC  
   b) Indian Oil Corporation  
   c) NHPC  
   d) Power Grid Corporation
   Answer a) NTPC. State-owned power generator NTPC Ltd announced it has signed a syndicated loan in Japanese Yen equivalent to $750 million.

39. IADR - in this "D" represents ____________.
   a) Defence  
   b) Dental
c) Department  
d) None of these  
Answer b) Dental. The International Association of Dental Research (IADR)

40. Who has become the First Indian to receive IADR Fellowship?  
a) Saif Khan  
b) Saima Yunus Khan  
c) Sabith Almas  
d) Rithika Singh Kumari  
Answer b) Saima Yunus Khan. Dr Saima Yunus Khan, Chairperson, Department of  
Paediatrics and Preventive Dentistry, Dr Z A Dental College (ZADC), Aligarh Muslim  
University (AMU) accomplished an exemplary feat as she became the first Indian to be  
conferred with the prestigious IADR Fellowship in the field of dental research, a statement  
from the varsity said.

41. According to Jahangir Aziz of JPMorgan, India’s GDP growth to be slightly higher at __________% in 2021.  
a) 4.2  
b) 5.1  
c) 5.5  
d) 6.2  
Answer c) 5.5. Aziz told CNBC-TV18 that things were not looking very good on the growth  
front and hopefully next year GDP will be slightly higher at about 5.5 percent.

42. KYC in banking terms, expand as_____________.  
a) know-your-customer  
b) know-your-country  
c) Kite-your-customs  
d) keen-your-customer  
Answer a) know-your-customer. (KYC).

43. President awarded the International Gandhi Awards for Leprosy to___________.  
a) Dr. N.S. Dharmashaktu  
b) Dr. M. Swaminathan  
c) Dr. Deva Kumara Gowda  
d) Dr. D. Sheethal  
Answer a) Dr. N.S. Dharmashaktu. The President of India Ram Nath Kovind presented the  
International Gandhi Awards for Leprosy to Dr. N.S. Dharmashaktu under the Individual  
category and The Leprosy Mission Trust under the institutional category on 6 February 2020.

44. Rakhi Halder is associated with which of the following sport?  
a) Boxing  
b) Shooting  
c) Swimming  
d) Weightlifting  
Answer d) Weightlifting. Rakhi Halder of Bengal claimed gold in the 64kg category of the  
35th edition of the Senior Women’s National Weightlifting Championships at Khudiram  
Anushilan Kendra in Kolkata.
45. India secured _________th rank in the International IP Index.
   a) 30
   b) 40
   c) 50
   d) 60
   Answer b) 40. India ranked 40th on a global International Intellectual Property (IP) Index. It was released by the Global Innovation Policy Center (GIPC) of the US Chambers of Commerce. GIPC conducted the survey for 53 countries.

46. Which district has received National Award for implementing Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana?
   a) Coimbatore
   b) Valhaur
   c) Salmara Mankachar
   d) Haman
   Answer c) Salmara Mankachar. The district of South Salmara Mankachar of Assam won National Award for implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana under the category of State/Union Territory having a population of more than one crore.

47. India International Seafood Show to be held in ___________.
   a) Vishakapatnam
   b) Gandhinagar
   c) Kochi
   d) Chennai
   Answer c) Kochi. The three-day event is organized by the Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA), under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry in association with the Seafood Exporters Association of India (SEAI).

48. International Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Mutilation is observed on ___________.
   a) February 02
   b) February 03
   c) February 05
   d) February 06
   Answer d) February 06. International Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) is observed on 6 February. The day is observed to end the practice of FGM. It creates awareness about FGM which is a violation of the human rights of girls and women.

49. The theme for the International Day of Zero Tolerance for FGM for the year 2020 is “__________________________”.
   a) Unleashing Youth Power: One decade of accelerating actions for zero female genital mutilation
   b) Unique Power: One decade of accelerating actions for zero female genital mutilation
   c) Tribute to women: One decade of accelerating actions for zero female genital mutilation
   d) Undermines basic humans: One decade of accelerating actions for zero female genital mutilation
   Answer a) Unleashing Youth Power: One decade of accelerating actions for zero female genital mutilation.
50. Pink City of India is___________.
   a) Indore  
   b) Udaipur  
   c) Jaipur  
   d) Radhore  
   Answer c) Jaipur. Pink City of Rajasthan, Jaipur, received World Heritage Certificate from the UNESCO. The UNESCO Director General Audrey Azoulay visited India to present the certificate.

51. Vadhavan Port is situated at_______________.
   a) Madhya Pradesh  
   b) Maharastra  
   c) Rajasthan  
   d) Tamil Nadu  
   Answer b) Maharastra. The Union Cabinet led by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi gave its in-principle approval to set up a Major Port at Vadhavan near Dahanu in Maharashtra.

52. Rosoboronexport is associated with___________.
   a) China  
   b) Japan  
   c) Russia  
   d) India.  
   Answer c) Russia. DRDO’s High Energy Materials Research Laboratory (HEMRL) signed a Technology Development Contract with Rosoboronexport Russia.

53. DefExpo 2020 is held at_______________.
   a) Lucknow  
   b) Pune  
   c) Dispur  
   d) Shillong  
   Answer a) Lucknow. DRDO’s High Energy Materials Research Laboratory (HEMRL) signed a Technology Development Contract with Rosoboronexport Russia. It was signed during the DefExpo 2020 in Lucknow.

54. Bidar Airport is situated in_____________.
   a) Tamil Nadu  
   b) Kerala  
   c) Andhra Pradesh  
   d) Karnataka  
   Answer d) Karnataka. Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) flagged off the first direct flight from Bidar airport to Bengaluru in Karnataka on 7 February 2020.

55. HUD - in this "D" represents_______________.
   a) Drive  
   b) Display  
   c) Department  
   d) Dividend  
   Answer b) Display. Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) signed an MOU with Israel-based defense electronics company Elbit Systems on 6 February 2020 during the DefExpo 2020. The MoU aims to promote and market the Digital Head-Up Displays (HUD) units.
56. Who has received the Mystic Kalinga Literary Award?
   a) Muktha Yaj
   b) Sadham Hussain
   c) Manoj Das
   d) Hari Krishna. P
   Answer c) Manoj Das. Odia and English writer Manoj Das received the Mystic Kalinga Literary Award (Indian and Global Languages) at the Mystic Kalinga Festival (MKF).

57. TRIFED - in this "T" represents__________.
   a) Training
   b) Testing
   c) Tribal
   d) Term
   Answer c) Tribal. Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India Limited (TRIFED) conducted a fashion show entitled “Naturally North-East: The Naga Narrative” held at Suraj Kund Mela.

58. Who has been appointed as the High Commissioner to India by the British government?
   a) Philip Barton
   b) Dominic Asquith
   c) Christopher
   d) John Mathew
   Answer a) Philip Barton. Career diplomat Philip Barton has been appointed as the High Commissioner to India by the British government. He will succeed Dominic Asquith. The appointment will be effective from Spring 2020.

59. MPC (Banking Terms) expand as__________.
   a) Monetary Policy Committee
   b) Money Policy Committee
   c) Monetary Policy Commission
   d) Money Pre-dept Committee
   Answer a) Monetary Policy Committee. The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) which was led by Governor Shaktikanta Das from 4-6 February. The Central Bank has kept the repo rate unchanged at 5.15%.

60. Which department has launched an e-calculator?
   a) Bank
   b) Income Tax
   c) Railway
   d) All the above
   Answer b) Income Tax. The Income-Tax Department has launched an e-calculator for individuals to estimate their tax liability if they opt for the new tax slabs, without claiming deductions and exemptions, for ITR filing as announced in the recent Budget, officials said.

61. Bodo people is associated with__________.
   a) Odisha
   b) Assam
   c) Himachal Pradesh
   d) Nagaland
Answer b) Assam. Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who is visiting Assam to celebrate the signing of the Bodo agreement, attributed the signing of the Bodo peace accord to people’s support, heralding a new dawn of peace in Assam.

62. Who set the record for the longest single spaceflight in history?
   a) Steffy Williams
   b) Sharine Mathew
   c) Christina Koch
   d) Andrea Jeremiah
Answer c) Christina Koch. Expedition 61 Flight Engineer Christina Koch of National Aeronautics and Space Administration (Nasa) returned home to Ellington Field in Houston, Texas, US. After setting a record for the longest single spaceflight in history by a woman, Nasa astronaut Christina Koch returned to Earth.

63. FICCI & Central Asian countries jointly launches India-Central Asia business council in ____________.
   a) Mumbai
   b) Chennai
   c) Kolkata
   d) New Delhi
Answer d) New Delhi. In order to boost business & economy, the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) together with 5 of the biggest industry bodies of Central Asian countries (Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan) launched the India-Central Asia Business council in New Delhi.

64. Kirk Douglas, who passed away at 103, is associated with____________.
   a) Actor
   b) Politician
   c) Journalist
   d) Poet
Answer a) Actor. Kirk Douglas, one of the last surviving movie stars from Hollywood’s golden age, whose rugged good looks and muscular intensity made him a commanding presence in celebrated films like “Lust for Life,” “Spartacus” and “Paths of Glory,” died at his home in Beverly Hills, Calif. He was 103.

65. Who has been appointed as an Independent Director for Cognizant?
   a) Francisco D’Souza
   b) Vinita Bali
   c) Hamitha Khan
   d) Sudhip Singh
Answer b) Vinita Bali. Cognizant Technology Solutions, a US-based IT company with a large presence in India, appointed Vinita Bali as an independent director effective February 24.

66. LinkedIn headquarters is situated in__________.
   a) California
   b) Armenia
   c) Ashgbad
   c) Ankara
Answer a) California. LinkedIn CEO Jeff Weiner is stepping down after 11 years at the helm of the popular professional social networking company owned by Microsoft.

67. **FICCI in this "F" represents as__________.**
   a) Federation  
   b) Film  
   c) Flight  
   d) Fenny  
   Answer a) Federation. In order to boost business & economy, the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) together with 5 of the biggest industry bodies of Central Asian countries.

68. **Record-setting Nasa astronaut returns home after spending ____days in space .**  
   a) 232  
   b) 328  
   c) 400  
   d) 129  
   Answer b) 328 . Record-setting Nasa astronaut (Expedition 61 Flight Engineer Christina Koch) returns home after spending 328 days in space.

69. **Who is the Current Governor of RBI?**  
   a) Ajay Kumar  
   b) Vaithy Prabhu M  
   c) Shaktikanta Das  
   d) CM Bodge  
   Answer c) Shaktikanta Das. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) released the 6th bi-monthly monetary policy statement for 2019-20 on 6 February. The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) which was led by Governor Shaktikanta Das from 4-6 February. The Central Bank has kept the repo rate unchanged at 5.15%.

70. **African Union summit was held in _________.**  
   a) Brunei  
   b) Addis Ababa  
   c) Dushanbe  
   d) Hanoi  
   Answer b) Addis Ababa. The African Union (AU) summit was held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Heads of state and government officials from across Africa gathered in the summit.

71. **Researchers found __________ as the host of CoronaVirus in China.**  
   a) Pangolin  
   b) Phataginus  
   c) Snake  
   d) Rabbit  
   Answer a) Pangolin. Chinese researchers who conducted the investigation on the animal origin of the deadly coronavirus outbreak in China found that the endangered pangolin may be the reason for the outbreak. Scientists at the South China Agricultural University found the genome sequences of viruses in pangolins to be 99% identical to those on coronavirus patients.
73. Which state govt has create separate identity card for the transgender community in the state?
   a) Madhya Pradesh
   b) Maharashtra
   c) Rajasthan
   d) Kerala
   Answer c) Rajasthan. Rajasthan state government has announced that it is to connect the transgender community with the mainstream society.

74. Who has been appointed as UKs ambassador to the US?
   a) Kim Darroch
   b) Stewe Yaran
   c) Bharwan Meghalal
   d) Karen Pierce
   Answer d) Karen Pierce. Dame Karen Pierce has been appointed Britain’s ambassador to the United States. She became the first woman to hold the position, the most prominent in the diplomatic service.

75. Corona Virus Ranking - India secured ______th rank in importing Corona Virus.
   a) 13
   b) 14
   c) 16
   d) 17
   Answer d) 17. The researchers of Robert Koch institute in Germany and Humboldt University have founded mathematical model to predict global spread of novel corona virus cases.

76. The Indian Army’s College of Military Engineering with a private firm developed the World’s Cheapest Gun Shot Locator called “__________”.
   a) Parth
   b) Garth
   c) G-34
   d) AK-12
   Answer a) Parth. The Indian Army’s College of Military Engineering with a private firm developed the gun shot locators called “Parth”. These are much cheaper than the ones imported. The device was showcased at DefExpo 2020.

77. Who has become the youngest girl to climb the highest peak in South America?
   a) Kaamya Karthikeyan
   b) Priyadharshini M
   c) Divya Bharathi
   d) Bhuvana Maran
   Answer a) Kaamya Karthikeyan. Kaamya Karthikeyan became the youngest girl to climb the highest peak in South America, Mt Aconcagua.

78. Best Performing Smart Cities paired up with least performing to work as
   a) BEST CITIES
   b) SISTER CITIES
   c) SMART CITIES
d) MASTER CITIES
Answer b) SISTER CITIES. The Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs has paired up 20 best performing smart cities with least performing cities. They will work as “sister cities”.

79. National Conference on E-Governance held in _________.
a) New Delhi
b) Chennai
c) Mumbai
d) Pune
Answer c) Mumbai. The 23rd National Conference on E-Governance was held in Mumbai to transform governance using digital technologies. The conference adopted Mumbai declaration.

80. Oscar award is also known as__________.
a) Film Award
b) Cinema Award
c) Academy Awards
d) None of these
Answer c) Academy Awards.

81. Who won the Best Actor award in Oscar 2020?
a) Heath Ledger
b) Todd Philips
c) Joaquin Phoenix
d) Zazie Beetz
Answer c) Joaquin Phoenix.

82. First-ever Hornbill Festival Begins in ____________.
a) Tripura
b) Meghalaya
c) Assam
d) Nagaland
Answer a) Tripura. The first-ever hornbill festival in Tripura began with an objective to raise awareness among people for conservation of the bird and to showcase biodiversity in the state.

83. Which country won maiden Under-19 World Cup?
a) India
b) Bangladesh
c) Pakistan
d) Australia
Answer b) Bangladesh. Bangladesh beat India by three wickets to win maiden ICC U-19 World Cup cricket title by Duckworth-Lewis method last night in South Africa.

84. Which team won 10th Hockey Senior Women National C’ship?
a) Sports Authority of India
b) Madhya Pradesh Hockey Academy
c) Hockey Maharashtra
d) Haryana
Answer d) Haryana. Haryana thrashed Sports Authority of India (SAI) 6-0 to win the 10th Hockey India Senior Women National Championship 2020 (A Division) title at Kollam.

85. P Parameswaran, who passed away at 91, is associated with__________.
   a) Politician
   b) Author
   c) Poet
   d) Journalist
Answer a) Politician. P Parameswaran, one of the senior-most ‘pracharaks’ (Promoter) of the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) and former leader of the erstwhile Bharatiya Jana Sangh, passed away, Sangh Parivar sources said. He was 91.

86. National Deworming Day is observed on ____________.
   a) February 06
   b) February 07
   c) February 10
   d) February 11
Answer c) February 10. Every year February 10 and August 10 is observed as the National Deworming Day (NDD). The day aims at eradicating intestinal worms also known as Soil-Transmitted Helminths (STH), among children in the age group of 1-19 years.

87. Which defence sector major has developed world’s first bulletproof helmet against AK-47 bullet?
   a) Navy
   b) Army
   c) Air Force
   d) CPRF
Answer b) Army. An Indian Army Major who had developed a bulletproof jacket for protection against sniper bullets, has now developed a helmet which is claimed to be first such in the world that can stop an AK-47 bullet round from a distance of 10 meters.

88. 13th Asian Business and Social Forum conference held at ____________.
   a) Thimpu
   b) Bangkok
   c) Ankara
   d) Dhaka
Answer b) Bangkok. 13th Asian Business and Social Forum conference held at Bangkok, Thailand under the auspices of the AsiaOne magazine.

89. Who received Bharatiya Mahantam Award at Bangkok?
   a) Pawan Kalyan
   b) Ruben Stalin
   c) Udhay Yadav M
   d) N. Sridhar
Answer d) N. Sridhar. Singareni Chairman and Managing Director N. Sridhar received the prestigious Bharatiya Mahantam Puraskar 2019-20.

90. Which state topped in India’s first ever ranking of States on Justice delivery?
   a) Rajasthan
   b) Madhya Pradesh
c) Maharastra
d) Tamil Nadu
Answer c) Maharastra. India’s first ever ranking of States on their capacity to deliver Justice to citizens, announced here, lists Maharashtra at the top of the 18 Large and Mid-sized States.

91. PFRDA - in this "P" represents____________.
   a) Provident
   b) Profit
   c) Provision
   d) Pension
Answer d) Pension. The Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA), the regulator of the National Pension System (NPS), has doubled the minimum net worth criterion for pension fund managers to ₹50 crore from the ₹25 crore stipulated earlier.

92. International Day of Women and Girls in Science is observed on____________.
   a) February 10
   b) February 11
   c) February 12
   d) February 13
Answer b) February 11. In order to achieve full and equal access to and participation in science for women and girls, and further achieve gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls, the United Nations General Assembly adopted resolution A/RES/70/212 declaring 11 February as the International Day of Women and Girls in Science.

93. World Unani Day is observed on ____________.
   a) February 11
   b) February 12
   c) February 13
   d) February 14
Answer a) February 11. World Unani Day is a global event taking place every year on February, 11th, which is the birthday of great Unani scholar and social reformer “Hakim Ajmal Khan”.

94. According to the latest study by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), which cities have highest women, child trafficking cases?
   a) Kolkata
   b) Mumbai
   c) Pune
   d) Both a and b
Answer d) Both a and b. The highest incidence of children and women being trafficked were observed from the cities of Mumbai and Kolkata, according to the latest study by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB).

95. Who has been appointed as UK’s ambassador to the US?
   a) Kim Darroch
   b) Stewe Yaran
   c) Bharwan Meghalal
   d) Karen Pierce
Answer d) Karen Pierce. Dame Karen Pierce, the UK’s permanent representative to the UN,
has been appointed Britain’s ambassador to Washington, becoming the first woman to hold the position – the most prominent in the diplomatic service.

96. **Top US officials to address India-focused meet in __________.**
   a) Canada  
   b) California  
   c) Washington  
   d) Texas  
   Answer c) Washington. Reflecting the new Indo-US bonhomie, the White House has lined up its top officials, including the all-powerful Jared Kushner, for a India-centric business conference here this week.

97. **Disha Police station has inaugurated by __________.**
   a) Tamil Nadu CM  
   b) Andhra Pradesh CM  
   c) Kerala CM  
   d) Karnataka CM  
   Answer b) Andhra Pradesh CM. Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Y S Jaganmohan Reddy inaugurated Disha police station in Rajamahendravaram city to address heinous crimes against women and children in Andhra Pradesh.

98. **National Institute of Financial Management (NIFM), Faridabad renamed as‘______________’.**
   a) Vajpayee National Institute of Financial Management  
   b) Arun Jaitley National Institute of Financial Management  
   c) Narendra Modi National Institute of Financial Management  
   d) Abdul Kalam National Institute of Financial Management  

99. **Who has become the first Indian to receive IOC’s ‘honourable mention’?**
   a) Pullela Gopichand  
   b) Kadambi Srikanth  
   c) Saina Nehwal  
   d) Sania Mirza  
   Answer a) Pullela Gopichand. Top Indian badminton coach, Pullela Gopichand was awarded an “honourable mention” at the IOC Coaches Lifetime Achievement Awards 2019 for his excellence and contribution in the field of coaching.

100. **Armand Duplantis sets pole vault world record in Poland, represents which country?**
   a) America  
   b) Australia  
   c) India  
   d) Europe  
   Answer d) Europe. European champion Armand Duplantis set a pole vault world record at a World Athletics Indoor Tour meeting.
101. Aditya Mehta and Pankaj Advani are associated with___________.
a) Shooting  
b) Boxing  
c) Swimming  
d) Snooker  
Answer d) Snooker. Ace cuiest Aditya Mehta defeated multiple-time world champion Pankaj Advani 6-2 to win the National Snooker Championship here.

102. United Nations - World Pulses Day celebrated in ___________.
a) Mumbai  
b) Chennai  
c) Pune  
d) New Delhi  
Answer d) New Delhi. Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare inaugurated the celebrations of World Pulses Day in New Delhi that aims to increase the production of pulses.

103. Ajeya Warrior - a joint military exercise between India and___________.
a) Russia  
b) UK  
c) China  
d) Japan  
Answer b) UK. India-UK hold joint exercise called Ajeya Warrior on February 13, 2020. The exercise is being held from 2005. Around 120 soldiers are to participate in the exercise.

104. First Jerusalem-Mumbai festival held in Mumbai on ____________.
a) Feb 10  
b) Feb 11  
c) Feb 15  
d) Feb 18  
Answer c) Feb 15. The Jerusalem-Mumbai festival is to be held in Mumbai on February 15, 2020 to promote artistic and cultural ties between Israel and India.

105. Which organisations have topped the 2018-19 Public Enterprises Survey?  
a) ONGC  
b) Indian Oil  
c) NTPC  
d) All the above  
Answer d) All the above. Indian Oil Corporation and NTPC Limited were the top three profitable PSUs in 2018-19. Also, BSNL, Air India and MTNL incurred the highest losses for a third consecutive year.

106. Who has been named as 2019 FIH Women’s Rising Star of Year by the International Hockey Federation?  
a) Frederique Matla  
b) Julieta Jankunas  
c) Heemisa Das  
d) Lalremsiami  
Answer d) Lalremsiami. India forward Lalremsiami has been named as the 2019 FIH Women’s Rising Star of the Year.
107. Bhabha Kavach is associated with ___________.
a) Bullet  
b) Bullet proof Jacket  
c) New Software  
d) Virus  
Answer b) Bullet proof Jacket. The Bhabha Atomic Research Centre developed a new bullet proof jacket called Bhabha Kavach. The jackets are to be used by the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF).

108. WHO names the new Corona Virus as “___________”.  
a) CORONA-19  
b) COVID-19  
c) CVIRUS-20  
d) CVIRUS-19  
Answer b) COVID-19. World Health Organization announced a new name for the Corona Virus, “COVID-19”. More than 42,000 are infected with the virus according to the organization.

109. Who has been appointed as Eastern Fleet Commander?  
a) Vinay Bansali  
b) Suraj Berry  
c) Sanjay Vatsyayan  
d) Abhay Dev  
Answer c) Sanjay Vatsyayan. The command of the Eastern Fleet was handed over to Rear Admiral Sanjay Vatsyayan by Rear Admiral Suraj Berry at a ceremony at Visakhapatnam on 11 February 2020.

110. MoCA flagged off first Heli Services under UDAN in _____________.  
a) Madhya Pradesh  
b) Karnataka  
c) Uttarakhand  
d) Tamil Nadu  
Answer c) Uttarakhand. Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) operationalized the first-ever helicopter services from Dehradun’s Sahastradhara helipad to Gauchar and Chinyalisaur.

111. Who is the current CM of Odisha?  
a) Hemant Soren  
b) Kumarasamy D  
c) Naveen Patnaik  
d) Deva Gowda  
Answer c) Naveen Patnaik. Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik inaugurated Seven Nation BIMSTEC Disaster Management Exercise – 2020, which will take place from February 11 to 13.

112. ClimFishCon 2020 - a global meet on climate change and Ocean health will be hosted by _____________.  
a) Maharashtra  
b) Tamil Nadu  
c) Andhra Pradesh
113. National Productivity Day is observed on __________.
   a) February 12
   b) February 13
   c) February 14
   d) February 15
   Answer a) February 12. The main objective of the celebration is to encourage stakeholders in implementing productivity tools and techniques.

114. Medical devices now under ____________.
   a) Drugs and Cosmetics Act
   b) Instrumentation Act
   c) Production and Object Act
   d) Machinery Act
   Answer a) Drugs and Cosmetics Act. The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) has brought medical devices within the regulatory ambit, treating them as a category of ‘drugs’ for the purpose of regulating them under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act (DCA).

115. Corbett Tiger Reserve is located in__________.
   a) Uttarakhand
   b) Madhya Pradesh
   c) Andhra Pradesh
   d) Kerala
   Answer a) Uttarakhand. The Uttarakhand State cabinet approved a 377 sq km area for the proposed eco-sensitive zone (ESZ) for the Corbett Tiger Reserve (CTR) on 12 February. The proposal will be forwarded to the Central government.

116. The 20th International Seminar on Comprehends the Evolving Contours of Terrorism is held in ________.
   a) Haryana
   b) Punjab
   c) Meghalaya
   d) Gujarat
   Answer a) Haryana. The Minister of State for Home Affairs, Shri G. Kishan Reddy inaugurated the 20th International Seminar on “Comprehends the Evolving Contours of Terrorism & IED Threat-Way ahead for the Security Community”.

117. National Winter Games to be held in __________.
   a) Gulmarg
   b) Sonamarh
   c) Leh
   d) Pahalgam
   Answer a) Gulmarg. The National Winter Games is to be held in Gulmarg from March 7, 2020. The games are to be held for five days in Gulmarg, the world-famous Ski destination. It is being held under Khelo India.

118. World Radio Day 2020 is observed on __________.
   a) February 11
   d) Kerala
   Answer d) Kerala.
b) February 12  
c) February 13  
d) February 14  
Answer c) February 13. UNESCO and UN calls on radio stations to uphold diversity, both in their newsroom and on the airwaves.

119. **Theme for World Radio day is_______________.**

a) Radio and People  
b) Connect the Mind  
c) Radio and diversity  
d) None of these  
Answer c) Radio and diversity

120. **Pravasi Bhartiya Kendra in New Delhi renamed as _________________.**

a) Vajpayee Bhawan  
b) Arun Jaitley Bhawan  
c) Jehru Bhawan  
d) Sushma Swaraj Bhawan  
Answer d) Sushma Swaraj Bhawan. Government has decided to rename Pravasi Bhartiya Kendra in New Delhi as Sushma Swaraj Bhawan and Foreign Service Institute in the national capital as Sushma Swaraj Institute of Foreign Service.

121. **Who has been elected as President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India for the term 2020-21?**

a) Beem Singh  
b) Vishnu Kumar  
c) Samith Pandey Desai  
d) Atul Kumar Gupta  
Answer d) Atul Kumar Gupta. Having served the profession for about two decades, he joined the Central Council of ICAI in 2013 wherein he remained a member for two consecutive terms, i.e. 2013-16 and 2016-19. He got elected as Vice-President in February, 2019 for the term 2019-2020.

122. **Who has been appointed as CEO of Tata Trusts?**

a) N Balan  
b) Sundeep Nair  
c) Srinath Narasimhan  
d) Satheesh Kumar  
Answer c) Srinath Narasimhan. Tata Trusts named Tata group veteran Srinath Narasimhan as their first chief executive, signalling a shift to a more professional leadership framework at the entities that own most of Tata Sons Ltd.

123. **National Women’s Day of India is celebrated on the birth of____________.**

a) Sarojini Naidu  
b) MS Subbulakshmi  
c) Indira Gandhi  
d) None of these  
Answer a) Sarojini Naidu. Sarojini Naidu was India’s first women governor and also famous as ‘Bharat Kokila’. Sarojini Naidu was born on February 13, 1879. She actively participated in the Indian National Movement for the independence of the country.
124. Who is the first Fashion designer in the world?
   a) Charles Frederick Worth
   b) Wendell Rodricks
   c) Jenny Henz
   d) Annie D’cruz
   Answer a) Charles Frederick Worth.

125. Who has named UAE director of cricket?
   a) Muthaiah Muralidharan
   b) Robin Singh
   c) Ross Taylor
   d) Mark Kennedy
   Answer b) Robin Singh. Robin Singh, the former India all-rounder, was named UAE’s new director of cricket after the Emirates Cricket Board decided to sack Dougie Brown as head coach.

126. SEBI - in this "S" represents____________.
   a) Stock
   b) Securities
   c) Symbol
   d) Service
   Answer b) Securities. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has introduced an in-house system to track the movement of client securities that are collected as collateral by brokers.

127. GoI hosts National Organic Food Festival in ____________.
   a) Mumbai
   b) New Delhi
   c) Pune
   d) Chennai

128. INS Shivaji is located in__________.
   a) Madhya Pradesh
   b) Rajasthan
   c) Maharashtra
   d) Andhra Pradesh
   Answer c) Maharashtra. President Ram Nath Kovind presented the President’s Colours Awards to INS Shivaji. The Indian Naval Station Shivaji has completed 75 years of service.

129. Who has been appointed as Chief of Air India?
   a) Ashwani Lohani
   b) Akash Kumar
   c) Aravind Sugumaran
   d) Rajiv Bansal
   Answer d) Rajiv Bansal. The government appointed senior IAS officer Rajiv Bansal as the Chairman and managing director (CMD) of Air India.
130. Who has named as new finance minister of UK?
a) Rishi Sunak  
b) Narayana Murthy  
c) Goldman Snacks  
d) Vishal Menon  
Answer a) Rishi Sunak. Five years ago Britain’s new finance minister Rishi Sunak wasn’t even a member of parliament and now he is running the world’s fifth largest economy.

131. RK Pachauri, who passed away at 79, is associated with_________.  
a) Environmentalist  
b) Social Activist  
c) Lyricist  
d) Journalist  
Answer a) Environmentalist. Former TERI chief RK Pachauri died after a prolonged battle against heart illness at the Escorts Heart Institute in New Delhi, a day after he was put on life support.

132. Who has named Player of the Year 2019 by IHF?  
a) Ankit Jain  
b) Manpreet Singh  
c) Himesh Yadav  
d) Rahul Singh  
Answer b) Manpreet Singh. Manpreet, a midfielder, became the first Indian to win the accolade since the awards were introduced in 1999.

133. Katsuya Nomura, who passed away at 84, is associated with_________.  
a) Politics  
b) Science  
c) Cinema  
d) Sports  
Answer d) Sports. Japanese Baseball Hall of Fame catcher and renowned manager Katsuya Nomura died of ischemic heart failure, according to the Tohoku Rakuten Golden Eagles, the last club he managed. He was 84.

134. Who has been appointed as finance secretary?  
a) Kunal Mukerjee  
b) Dhruv Gupta  
c) Dhananjeyan Singh  
d) Debasis Panda  
Answer d) Debasis Panda. Senior IAS officer Debasis Panda was appointed as the new finance secretary, according to a Personnel Ministry order. Panda, a 1987-batch IAS officer of the Uttar Pradesh cadre, is at present special secretary, department of financial services.

135. Exercise Ajeya Warrior 2020 begins in_____________.  
a) UK  
b) India  
c) Australia  
d) US  
Answer a) UK. The aim of the exercise is to conduct training of troops in counter-insurgency and counter-terrorist operations in both urban and semi-urban areas.
136. Who is the Sports Minister of India?
   a) Kiren Rijiju
   b) VR Krishna Iyer
   c) Piyush Goyal
   d) Ravi Shankar Prasad

137. India has launched first inter-city electric bus service between ______________.
   a) Mumbai and Thane
   b) Mumbai and Kolkata
   c) Pune to Kolkata
   d) Mumbai and Pune
   Answer d) Mumbai and Pune. Union Minister Nitin Gadkari launched India’s first inter-city electric bus service between Mumbai and Pune. Planning to extend these services in other parts of Maharashtra and adjoining states in the near future.

138. National Conference on Policy Framework for Skilling of Women and Children was held in ____________.
   a) Mumbai
   b) Chennai
   c) Bengaluru
   d) New Delhi
   Answer d) New Delhi. National Conference on Policy Framework for Skilling of Women and Children was held on 14 February in New Delhi.

139. India attends Munich Security Conference in ____________.
   a) Spain
   b) Italy
   c) Germany
   d) Mexico
   Answer c) Germany. Munich Security Conference is being held in Germany between February 14, 2020 and February 16, 2020. The Conference was attended by External Affairs minister Jaishankar representing India.

140. Antarctica recorded the hottest temperature of ___________ degrees Celsius.
   a) 20.75
   b) 28.12
   c) 38.21
   d) 40.12
   Answer a) 20.75. World Meteorological Organization announced that for the first time in record Antarctica has recorded its hottest temperature ever, 20.75 Degree Celsius.

141. Who has been appointed as GoAir CEO?
   a) Vinay Dube
   b) Pooja Kumar
   c) Anu Nivas
   d) Arjun Das
   Answer a) Vinay Dube. Wadia group-promoted GoAir said it has appointed Vinay Dube as
the airline’s Chief Executive Officer. Till now, Dube was serving as an advisor to the carrier, a role which he took up after quitting the defunct Jet Airways in May last year.

142. Who is the current British’s Prime Minister?
   a) Alok Sharma
   b) Boris Johnson
   c) Matt Rodda
   d) Preet Gill
   Answer b) Boris Johnson. British Prime Minister Boris Johnson has appointed Alok Sharma as his new business minister, the government said in a statement.

143. IRDAI - in this "R" represents____________.
   a) Region
   b) Regulatory
   c) Reserved
   d) None of these
   Answer b) Regulatory. The settlement of health insurance claims could soon be a matter of a few clicks, as the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (Irdai) is planning a common portal for the process.

144. Recently, India and Portugal signed ______ agreements.
   a) 05
   b) 10
   c) 12
   d) 14
   Answer d) 14. India and Portugal exchanged 14 agreements and understandings in a number of key areas, including maritime, intellectual property rights, aerospace and scientific research, as President Ram Nath Kovind hosted his Portuguese counterpart Marcelo Rebelo de Sousa in New Delhi.

145. Who is the Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) in India?
   a) Bipin Rawat
   b) CM Bodge
   c) RF Bhaduria
   d) Manoj Mukund Navarane
   Answer a) Bipin Rawat. The Chief of Defence Staff Bipin Rawat aims to set up an integrated tri-service command for the first time by June 2020.

146. Milan 2020 exercise is conducted by____________.
   a) Army
   b) Navy
   c) Air Force
   d) All the above
   Answer c) Air Force. Indian Navy is preparing itself for the biggest multilateral naval exercise to be conducted in the Indian Ocean Region. The Exercise is to be conducted under the theme Theme: Synergy across the Seas.

147. How many countries will participate in Milan 2020 exercise?
   a) 10
   b) 23
d) 38

Answer d) 42. Around 42 countries are to participate in the exercise. It includes Russia and USA as well. India has not invited China to participate in the exercise. The exercise is to be conducted in Vishakhapatnam in March 2020.

148. Arvind Kejriwal sworn in as Chief Minister of Delhi for __________.
   a) First Time
   b) Second Time
   c) Third Time
   d) Fourth time
Answer c) Third Time. Aam Aadmi Party convenor Arvind Kejriwal took oath as Chief Minister of Delhi for the third consecutive time.

149. SAMPRITI-IX: Indo-Bangladesh joint military exercise concluded in __________.
   a) Manipur
   b) Meghalaya
   c) Nagaland
   d) Assam
Answer b) Meghalaya. Over the past two weeks, with effect from 03 February to 16 February 2020, Armies of India and Bangladesh participated in joint military exercise SAMPRITI-IX at Umroi, Meghalaya.

150. Joshna Chinappa is associated with___________.
   a) Squash
   b) Swimming
   b) Boxing
   d) Wrestling
Answer a) Squash. India’s squash ace Joshna Chinappa has clinched 77th Senior National Championship in woman’s category at the ISA courts in Chennai.

151. Which state has celebrated Seed sowing festival ‘Lui-Ngai-Ni’?
   a) Manipur
   b) Nagaland
   c) Assam
   d) Uttar Pradesh
Answer a) Manipur. The Naga tribes of Manipur celebrated it’s seed sowing festival ‘Lui-Ngai-Ni’, under the theme “Oneness through Culture”, with much fanfare at Tangkhul Naga Long (TNL) ground in Ukhrul.

152. Which state has launched ‘Yodhavu’ mobile app to combat drug menace?
   a) Tamil Nadu
   b) Andhra Pradesh
   c) Karnataka
   d) Kerala
Answer d) Kerala. ‘Yodhavu’ (Warrior), a mobile app through which the public can inform police about drug abuse and its distribution, was launched by Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan as part of efforts to curb the growing menace in the State.
153. Bhawna Jat qualifies for 2020 Olympics, who is associated with____________.
   a) Race Walk
   b) Shot Put
   c) Discuss Throw
   d) Javelin Throw
   Answer a) Race Walk. India’s Bhawna Jat qualified for the 2020 Olympics after setting a new national record in the 20-kilometer race walk category at the National Championships in Ranchi.

154. Vidit Gujrathi is associated with___________.
   a) Carrom player
   b) Swimmer
   c) Prague Chess
   d) Boxer
   Answer c) Prague Chess. India’s no. 2 player Vidit S Gujrathi posted a win over Austrian GM Markus Ragger in the third round to jump to the top spot in the Masters category of the Prague Chess festival here.

155. The year 2020 has been nick named as “__________” by global advocacy groups.
   a) Financial Year
   b) Super Year
   c) Good Year
   d) Tremendous Year
   Answer b) Super Year. The year 2020 has been nick named as “Super Year” by global advocacy groups including the United Nations.

156. BioAsia Summit 2020 to be held in _____________.
   a) Bengaluru
   b) Chennai
   c) Pune
   d) Hyderabad

157. Soil health card Scheme completes _______ as on 19February.
   a) 2 years
   b) 4 Years
   c) 5 Years
   d) 7 Years
   Answer c) 5 Years. The Soil health card scheme completes 5 years on 19 February 2019.

158. Which country is the major producer of Lithium?
   a) Australia
   b) Argentina
   c) Mexico
   d) Chile
   Answer d) Chile. Of the major producers Chile produces 8.6 million tonnes, Australia produces 2.8 million tonnes and 1.7 million tonnes in Argentina.
159. Tapas Pal is passed away at age of 61, is associated with_________.
a) Sports  
b) Politics  
c) Science  
d) All the above  
Answer b) Politics. Bengali actor and former Trinamool Congress MP Tapas Pal died in Mumbai on February 18 after suffering a cardiac arrest. He was 61.

160. Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana: 4th National Conference held in __________.
a) Udaipur  
b) Raipur  
c) Indore  
d) Jaipur  
Answer a) Udaipur. The fourth National Conference of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima yojana was held in Udaipur, Rajasthan. The Conference was organized by Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.

a) Silver  
b) Gold  
c) Platinum  
d) Diamond  
Answer a) Silver. The Election Commission of India has been awarded ‘Silver’ for Excellence in Government Process re-engineering for digital transformation for the year 2019-20. The award was given on 8th Feb 2020.

162. Cairns Cup title is associated with_________.
a) Carrom Board  
b) Chess  
c) Cricket  
d) Tennis  
Answer b) Chess.

163. Who won Cairns Cup title, reclaims 2nd spot in chess world ranking?
a) Vishwanath Anandh  
b) Monis Clarke  
c) Koneru Humphy  
d) Smrithi kumari  
Answer c) Koneru Humphy. World rapid champion Koneru Humpy claimed her second title in the last two months by emerging triumphant at the Cairns Cup chess tournament following a draw against compatriot Dronavalli Harika in the ninth and final round here.

164. Which country will host 16-team FIH Junior Men’s World Cup 2021?
a) Spain  
b) Italy  
c) Australia  
d) India  
Answer d) India. The International Hockey Federation (FIH) announced India as the hosts for
the FIH Junior Men’s World Cup 2021. In an official announcement, the international governing body also announced that the competition will be played towards the end of 2021.

165. NADA - "D" represents_____________.
   a) Development
   b) Doping
   c) Department
   d) None of these
   Answer b) Doping. National Anti Doping Agency (NADA) has banned javelin thrower Amit Dahiya for four years for evading sample collection and trying to cheat officials during the 2nd National Javelin Throw Open Championship 2019 held at SAI Centre in Sonipat.

166. Soil Health Card Day is observed on____________.
   a) February 17
   b) February 18
   c) February 19
   d) February 20
   Answer c) February 19. In order to commemorate the launch of Soil Health Card Scheme, the GoI is marking Soil Health Card Day on February 19, 2020. The Soil Health Card Scheme was launched by PM Modi on February 19, 2015.

167. Indian Bird Species have declined by __________% says State of India’s Birds Report.
   a) 20
   b) 40
   c) 60
   d) 80
   Answer d) 80. The report says that more than 80% of Indian bird species have declined in the last 5 years. More than 15,000 bird watchers participated in the survey.

168. Kala Kumbh: Exhibition to promote GI crafts and Heritage of India held in __________.
   a) New Delhi
   b) Mumbai
   c) Jaipur
   d) Pune
   Answer a) New Delhi. Kala Kumbh – Handicrafts Thematic Exhibition was held in various parts of the country through the Office of Development Commissioner (Handicrafts).

169. Which city will be hosting the final of the FIFA U-17 Women’s World Cup?
   a) Mumbai
   b) Melbourne
   c) Sydney
   d) Washington
   Answer a) Mumbai. Navi Mumbai will be hosting the final of the FIFA U-17 Women’s World Cup on 21 November. The announcement was made by the organizing committee.

170. Ra’ad-II cruise missile is associated with___________.
   a) USA
   b) Pakistan
c) Russia
d) Japan
Answer b) Pakistan. Pakistan successfully flight tested the air-launched nuclear-capable cruise missile Ra’ad-II. The test aimed to boost the military’s deterrence capability on land and at sea.

171. Hindi is the ________ most spoken language of the world.
   a) 1st
   b) 2nd
   c) 3rd
   d) 4th
Answer c) 3rd. English at the top of the list with 1,132 million speakers. Chinese Mandarin is in second position with 1,117 million speakers.

172. Which country has appointed Barry O’Farrell as the next high commissioner to India?
   a) USA
   b) Russia
   c) Australia
   d) China
Answer c) Australia. Australia appointed former New South Wales Premier Barry O’Farrell as the next high commissioner to India. O’Farrell will succeed Harinder Sidhu.

173. PM unveiled statue of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya in ________________.
   a) Uttar Pradesh
   b) Chandigarh
   c) Jharkhand
   d) Andhra Pradesh
Answer a) Uttar Pradesh. Prime Minister Narendra Modi unveiled the statue of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya on 16 February. He inaugurated the Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Memorial Centre in Padao on the Varanasi-Chandauli border.

174. Who is the new President of Afghanistan?
   a) Mohammed Yousuf
   b) Ashraf Ghani
   c) Abdullah Abdullah
   d) Sarik Khan
Answer b) Ashraf Ghani. In Afghanistan, independent Election Commission announced that Ashraf Ghani has won a second term as President of the country.

175. Mickey Wright, who passed away at 85, is associated with__________.
   a) Chess Legend
   b) First Journalist
   c) Actor
   d) Golf Legend
Answer d) Gol Legend. One of the most successful women’s golfers of all time, Mickey Wright, has died at the age of 85. The American won 13 majors and 82 LPGA Tour titles to sit second on the all-time women’s major list behind country woman Patty Berg (15), who died in 2006.
176. NITI Aayog organizes North East Sustainable Development Goal Conclave 2020 in _________.
   a) Odisha
   b) Assam
   c) Arunachal Pradesh
   d) Tamil Nadu
   Answer b) Assam. NITI Aayog is to organize North East Sustainable Development Goal Conclave 2020 in Assam between February 24, 2020 and February 26, 2020.

177. Which state has major role player of Act East Policy?
   a) Meghalaya
   b) Manipur
   c) Assam
   d) Nagaland
   Answer b) Manipur. India has been focusing on Act East Policy lately with a strong motive of developing the North East. Out of all the North Eastern States, Manipur has evolved the major supporter of Act East Policy.

178. TILHAN Mission is associated with___________.
   a) Satellite
   b) Railway
   c) Agriculture
   d) Education
   Answer c) Agriculture. Agricultural Minister Narendra Singh Tomar announced that Government of India is to launch “TILHAN MISSION” to boost the oil seed production. The announced that Government of India is to launch “TILHAN MISSION” to boost the oil seed production.

179. India ranked ____________ out of 180 nations in WHO ‘child flourishing index’.
   a) 62
   b) 91
   c) 131
   d) 169
   Answer c) 131. India ranks lower than 130 other countries on measurements of children’s survival, health, education and nutrition, factors taken into account in the World Health Organisation’s ‘child flourishing index’.

180. Mizoram, Arunachal Pradesh celebrated the Statehood Day on _____________.
   a) February 20
   b) February 21
   c) February 22
   d) February 23
   Answer a) February 20. Indian states of Mizoram and Arunachal Pradesh celebrated the Statehood Day on 20 February. The culture of Arunachal Pradesh is special.

181. Which Indian Cricketer has received Laureus honour in 2020?
   a) Virat Kholi
   b) Rohit Sharma
   c) MS Dhoni
   d) Sachin Tendulkar
Answer d) Sachin Tendulkar. Tendulkar was in Berlin for the awards ceremony, 17 February, and received the trophy from former Australia captain Steve Waugh, after Tennis legend Boris Becker made the announcement.

182. Who has been selected as the new Central Vigilance Commissioner?
   a) Sunil Kothari  
   b) Sanjay Kothari  
   c) Bimal Jhulka  
   d) Santhosh Vadug  
   Answer b) Sanjay Kothari. Sanjay Kothari, the Secretary to the President, has been selected as the new Central Vigilance Commissioner by a high-powered committee headed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

183. India emerged as the world’s ___________ largest economy by overtaking the UK and France in 2019.
   a) Second  
   b) Fourth  
   c) Fifth  
   d) Sixth  
   Answer c) Fifth. India emerged as the world’s fifth largest economy by overtaking the UK and France in 2019, says a report. A US-based think tank World Population Review in its report said that India is developing into an open-market economy from its previous autarkic policies.

184. World Day of Social Justice is observed on __________.
   a) February 18  
   b) February 19  
   c) February 20  
   d) February 21  
   Answer c) February 20. Social justice is an underlying principle for peaceful and prosperous coexistence within and among nations. We uphold the principles of social justice when we promote gender equality, or the rights of indigenous peoples and migrants.

185. Theme for World Day of Social Justice is ____________.
   a) Closing the Inequalities Gap to Achieve Social Justice  
   b) Growth and Social Justice  
   c) Peaceful and prosperous coexistence within and among nations  
   d) Promote gender equality, or the rights of indigenous peoples and migrants  
   Answer a) Closing the Inequalities Gap to Achieve Social Justice.

186. India ranked _________ on the Sustainability Index as per UN report.
   a) 52nd  
   b) 69th  
   c) 77th  
   d) 91th  
   Answer c) 77th. India secured 77th rank on the Sustainability Index and 131st on the Flourishing Index in the UN report that was commissioned by a Commission of World Health Organization (WHO), UN Children’s Fund (UNICEF) and The Lancet.
187. Who has been conferred with the seventh PSU Leadership Award?
   a) SK Barua  
   b) Arjun Ram Meghwal  
   c) Numali Gowda  
   d) M Chander  
   Answer: a) SK Barua. SK Barua, Chairman, Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) North East Council & Managing Director, Numaligarh Refinery Ltd was conferred with the seventh PSU Leadership Award on 19 February.

188. India’s first private gold mine to be set up in___________.
   a) Uttar Pradesh  
   b) Andhra Pradesh  
   c) Tamil Nadu  
   d) Assam  
   Answer: b) Andhra Pradesh. India’s first private gold mine operation will begin in the last quarter of 2021 at Jonnagiri in Kurnool district, Andhra Pradesh.

189. According to World Wide Education for the Future Index, India secured _______ rank.
   a) 22nd  
   b) 35th  
   c) 41st  
   d) 63rd  
   Answer: b) 35th. The Economic Intelligence Unit recently published the Worldwide Education for the Future Index for the year 2019. India has jumped by five ranks and currently holds rank 35.

   a) Council of Scientific and Industrial Research - Delhi  
   b) ISRO  
   c) Bhabha Atomic Space Research and Organization  
   d) None of these  
   Answer: a) Council of Scientific and Industrial Research - Delhi. The CSIR of Delhi topped the National Ranking Index 2020 that ranks the scientific research institutes. CSIR was followed by IISc Bangalore.

191. Who won Best Actor at Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival Awards 2020?
   a) Akshay Kumar  
   b) Kamal Hasan  
   c) Shah Rukh Khan  
   d) Hrithik Roshan  
   Answer: d) Hrithik Roshan. Hrithik Roshan won the Best Actor award for his performance in ‘Super 30’, that won Best Film award, at the Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival Awards.

192. International Mother Language Day is observed on___________.
   a) Feb 18  
   b) Feb 19  
   c) Feb 22  
   Answer: a) Feb 18
d) Feb 21
Answer d) Feb 21. International Year of Languages, to promote unity in diversity and international understanding, through multilingualism and multiculturalism and named the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to serve as the lead agency for the Year.

193. Theme for International Mother Language Day is______________.
a) Language and Growth
b) unity in diversity and international understanding
c) Languages without borders
d) None of these
Answer c) Languages without borders.

194. Gold medal for Divya Kakran, Pinki and Sarita Mor are associated with___________.
a) Swimmers
b) Wrestlers
c) Boxers
d) None of these
Answer b) Wrestlers. Divya Kakran won a gold medal at the Asian Wrestling Championships after a dominant show in which she won all her bouts by fall, including against junior world champion Naruha Matsuyuki.

195. The Government of India has declared ___________ as National Heritage Animal.
a) Indian elephant
b) Indian Bustard
c) Bengal Florican
d) Asian Elephant
Answer a) Indian Elephant. India’s proposal to include Great Indian Bustard, Asian Elephant and Bengal Florican in Appendix I of UN Convention on migratory species was unanimously accepted at the ongoing thirteenth Conference of the Parties to the Convention on MigratorySpecies (CMS) in Gandhinagar.

196. Who has been appointed as MD of Dhanlaxmi Bank?
a) Sunil Gurbaxani
b) Ravi Teju
c) Vijay Babu M
d) Ruben Kavi
Answer a) Sunil Gurbaxani. Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on February 20 approved appointment of Sunil Gurbaxani as managing director and CEO of Dhanlaxmi Bank. Gurbaxani is working with Axis Bank at present.

197. Larry Tesler, who passed away at 74, is associated with_____________.
a) Agriculturist
b) Journalist
c) Actor
d) Computer Scientist
Answer d) Computer Scientist. A pioneering US computer scientist whose accomplishments included inventing the widely relied on “cut, copy and paste” command died at age 74.
198. Who won third successive ESPN’s Female Sportsperson of the Year award?
   a) Saina Nehwal
   b) Smriti Manadana
   c) Mithali Raj
   d) PV Sindhu
   Answer d) PV Sindhu. World champion shuttler P V Sindhu won the ESPN’s Female Sportsperson of the Year award for a third consecutive time while young shooter Saurabh Chaudhary bagged the honour in the male category.

199. Which among the following cities has topped in smart city mission?
   a) Ranchi
   b) Shimla
   c) Ahmedabad
   d) Chandigarh
   Answer c) Ahmedabad. In a final push to the Smart City Mission, the Centre has devised a 20-20 model to pair the top 20 cities with the bottom 20 and help the laggard cities to kick-start the smartening up process by borrowing technical know-how and financial studies.

200. International Judicial Conference was held in ___________.
   a) Chennai
   b) New Delhi
   c) Kolkata
   d) Mumbai
   Answer b) New Delhi. International Judicial Conference was held in New Delhi on 22 February. The conference was addressed by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. Distinguished Judges of the Supreme Court and various High Courts, Eminent lawyers and delegates from overseas also took part in the Conference.

201. Who has conferred the Ideal Legislative Assembly Speaker Award?
   a) Om Birla
   b) Chandrasekar Rao
   c) Sreeramakrishnan
   d) Mani Rathnakumar
   Answer c) Sreeramakrishnan. The Ideal Legislative Assembly Speaker/Ideal Legislative Council Chairman Award was presented to the Speaker of the Kerala Legislative Assembly, Shri P. Ramakrishnan.

202. Which Indian City will host Khelo India University Games?
   a) Assam
   b) Chandigarh
   c) Uttar Pradesh
   d) Odisha
   Answer d) Odisha. The first-ever Khelo India University Games will begin in Odisha at the Jawaharlal Nehru Indoor Stadium, Cuttack on 22 February 2020.

203. Who won the Laureus World Sportsman of the year award?
   a) Lewis Hamilton
   b) Christiano Ronaldo
   c) Lionel Messi
d) Both a and c
Answer d) Both a and c. British racing driver Lewis Hamilton and footballer Lionel Messi were declared the joint winners of the Laureus World Sportsman of the year award.

205. Railway customers can now converse in ___________ language through ‘ASKDISHA’ chatbot.
   a) Tamil
   b) Hindi
   c) Marathi
   d) Uruthu
Answer b) Hindi. Ministry of Railways upgraded services of Artificial Intelligence (AI) based ASKDISHA chatbot to converse with Railway customers in the Hindi language.

206. NFR Construction builds India’s tallest pier bridge in _____________.
   a) Manipur
   b) Meghalaya
   c) Assam
   d) Arunachal Pradesh
Answer a) Manipur. The Northeast Frontier Railway (NF) Construction Organisation has built India’s tallest railway pier bridge across river Makru in the Tamenglong district of Manipur. India’s tallest pier bridge is 100 m tall. It is equivalent to a 33-storey building.

207. Krishna Bose, who passed away at 89, is associated with___________.
   a) Actor
   b) Scientist
   c) Politician
   d) Agriculturist
Answer c) Politician. Academic-turned-politician, Krishna Bose, passed away in West Bengal due to cardiac arrest. She was 89 years old. She served as a Member of Parliament elected from the Jadavpur constituency in West Bengal as an All India Trinamool Congress (TMC) candidate.

208. National Organic Food Festival is inaugurated in ______________.
   a) Coimbatore
   b) Thrissur
   c) New Delhi
   d) Pune
Answer c) New Delhi. Ministry of Food Processing and Ministry of Women and Child Development jointly inaugurated the National Organic Food Festival in New Delhi.

209. Ravi Dahiya is associated with___________.
   a) Boxing
   b) Swimming
   c) Weightlifting
   d) Wrestling
Answer d) Wrestling. Ravi Dahiya won gold at the Asian Wrestling Championship.

210. Which states have lead in Direct Benefit Transfer payouts?
   a) West Bengal
   b) Haryana
c) Uttarkhand
d) Both b and c
Answer d) Both b and c. West Bengal has emerged as the worst while new Union Territories (UTs) of Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) and Ladakh have notched up an impressive show in ratings prepared for the first time by Centre regarding Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) payouts.

211. Who is the CM of Maharashtra?
a) Uddhav Thackeray
b) Hemant Soren
c) Pinarayii Vijayan
d) Sourav Rangan
Answer a) Uddhav Thackeray. Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray presented the State sports awards to the winners at a glittering ceremony here.

212. Who has received SERB Women Excellence Award-2020?
a) Niti Kumar
b) Divya Kumari
c) Anu Hassan
d) Dr. Shreya Iyer
Answer a) Niti Kumar. Dr Niti Kumar, Senior Scientist from Division of Molecular Parasitology and Immunology, CSIR-CDRI, Lucknow has received SERB Women Excellence Award-2020.

213. Artificial Intelligence based Chatbot ASKDISHA is launched by the ____________.
a) Railways
b) Army
c) Income Tax dept
d) Navy
Answer a) Railways. The Indian Railways recently launched Artificial Intelligence based chatbot called “ASKDISHA”. The chatbot will interact with the Railway customers in Hindi language resolving their queries.

214. Which Indian States have topped the list in average consumption of added fat?
a) Pune
b) Delhi
c) Ahmedabad
d) Both b and c
Answer d) Both b and c. The study said that vegetarians consume more fat than that of non-vegetarians. Also, among the metropolitan cities of India, Delhi and Ahmedabad topped the list in average consumption of added fat.

215. ______ surpasses China to become India’s top trading partner.
a) Russia
b) Japan
c) Canada
d) US
Answer d) US. The United States has surpassed China to become India’s top trading partner. According to the Commerce Ministry data, the bilateral trade between the US and India stood at nearly 88 billion dollars in 2018-19 fiscal. During the period, India’s trade with China was at 87.1 billion dollars.
216. Who is the first Vice President in South Sudan?
a) Sunao Maikan  
b) Riek Machar  
c) John Garang  
d) Salva Kaiir mayardit  
Answer b) Riek Machar. In South Sudan, rebel leader Riek Machar was sworn in as first vice president. The rebel leader returns as first vice president in a transition government which will serve for 36 months.

217. The Indian Government aims to make ___________ a steel hub of the country.
a) Uttar Pradesh  
b) Chhattisgarh  
c) Tamil Nadu  
d) Kerala  
Answer b) Chhattisgarh. Union Minister for Petroleum, Natural Gas and Steel Dharmendra Pradhan has said that the government aims to make Chhattisgarh a steel hub of the country.

218. Who has become India’s youngest ever Grandmaster?
a) Ram Nath  
b) Devan M 
c) Gukesh  
d) Praggnanandhaa M  
Answer c) Gukesh. Gukesh has become India’s youngest GM at 12 years, 7 months and 17 days. With this achievement, Gukesh has overtaken Praggnanandhaa who held the record at 12 years and 10 months.

219. Which country will host Commonwealth Shooting and Archery Championships in January 2022?
a) Indonesia  
b) Australia  
c) India  
d) Nepal  
Answer c) India. India will host the Commonwealth Shooting and Archery Championships in January 2022. The medals from the two events will be counted for ranking of competing nations at the Birmingham Games.

220. Central Excise Day is observed on _____________.
a) February 20  
b) February 22  
c) February 23  
d) February 24  
Answer d) February 24. Central Excise Day is celebrated every year on February 24 across the whole India to encourage the employees of excise department to carry out the central excise duty all over India in better way in order and even to prevent the corruption in goods manufacturing business.

221. Who has crowned 2020 LIVA Miss Diva Universe?
a) Meera Mithun  
b) Reshma Kumari  
c) Adline Castelino
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d) Vartika Ray
Answer c) Adline Castelino. Adline Castelino won the LIVA Miss Diva Universe 2020 title. She was crowned by Vartika Singh, Miss Diva Universe 2019, at an event held on Mumbai.

222. According to 2019 World Air Quality Report, which city has topped the list of world’s most polluted capital cities in the world?

a) Tokyo
b) Beijing
c) Jakarta
d) Delhi
Answer d) Delhi. Delhi topped the list of world’s most polluted capital cities in the world while Ghaziabad topped the list of most polluted regional cities. The average Particulate Matter (PM 2.5) concentration of Delhi is 98.6, said the report.

223. Katherine Johnson, who passed away at 101, is associated with____________.

a) Human computer
b) NASA mathematician
c) Scientist
d) Both a and b
Answer d) Both a and b. NASA mathematician Katherine Johnson, whose calculations helped get the first Americans to space and back safely, died at the age of 101.

224. Abbott India launches vaccine against ______ strains of influenza virus.

a) 2
b) 3
c) 4
d) 5
Answer c) 4. “It is the only 0.5 ml quadrivalent flu vaccine in India that has been approved for use in children below 3 years. In fact, it can be given to children from 6 months onwards, and to adults,” the company said in a statement.

225. Govt launches “_________” to improve Ease of Doing Business in the country.

a) Easy*
b) SPICe+
c) BusineSS+
d) None of these
Answer b) SPICe+. Government of India launched SPICe+, a web form that integrates 10 services of various ministries and departments.


a) 63rd
b) 72nd
c) 85th
d) 89th
Answer a) 63rd.

227. Which state has become first state to launch unified vehicle registration card?

a) Uttar Pradesh
b) Madhya Pradesh
228. **BIMSTEC** - in this "B" represents__________.
   a) Business  
   b) Bilateral  
   c) Bilingual  
   d) Bay of Bengal  
   Answer d) Bay of Bengal. Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) is working on a project of connecting about 3,000 kilometre-long power grid from Myanmar-Thailand to India.

229. __________ doctors use robot to perform surgery to treat brain aneurysm.
   a) Canadian  
   b) Indian  
   c) Australian  
   d) Italian  
   Answer a) Canadian. In a first, Canadian doctors have used a robot to perform a surgery to treat brain aneurysm. The medical condition is a weakness in a blood vessel in the brain that balloons and fills with blood.

230. Mansukh Mandaviya launched OPV-6 VAJRA in ____________.
   a) Pune  
   b) Chennai  
   c) Mumbai  
   d) Vishakapatnam  
   Answer b) Chennai. The 6th Coast Guard Offshore Patrol Vessel (OPV-6) ‘VAJRA’ was launched on 27 February at Chennai, Tamil Nadu.

231. Which smartphone brand has partnered with ISRO recently?
   a) Lenovo  
   b) Xiaomi  
   c) Samsung  
   d) Nokia  
   Answer b) Xiaomi. Xiaomi has collaborated with ISRO to bring the space agency’s Indian Regional Navigation Satellite System “NavIC technology” to its smartphones.

232. Which country became India’s top trading partner?
   a) USA  
   b) China  
   c) Japan  
   d) None of these  
   Answer a) USA. The data provided by the Ministry of Commerce stated that in 2018-2019 the US had surpassed China to become India’s top trading partner.
233. Exercise Indradhanush - a joint exercise between India and___________.
   a) Sri Lanka  
   b) USA  
   c) Nepal  
   d) UK  
Answer d) UK. The exercise is held between the Indian Air Force (IAF), India and Royal Air Force (RAF), the UK. The exercise will formally conclude on 29 February 2020.

234. The fifth edition of Exercise Indradhanush was held at___________.
   a) Saudi Arabia  
   b) Uttar Pradesh  
   c) Oman  
   d) Muscat  
Answer b) Uttar Pradesh. The fifth edition of Exercise Indradhanush was jointly commenced at Air Force Station Hindan, Airbase in Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh on 24 February 2020.

235. Who has been appointed as India’s next Ambassador to France?
   a) Jawed Ashraf  
   b) Arnav Jaweri  
   c) Adnaniyan M  
   d) Smriti L  
Answer a) Jawed Ashraf. The announcement was made by the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA). He will take up the assignment shortly. The appointment comes in view of rising strategic ties between India and France.

236. Which women cricket team has become 1st team to reach 2020 Women’s T20 WC semis?
   a) New Zealand  
   b) Australia  
   c) India  
   d) South Africa  
Answer c) India. India defeated New Zealand by four runs to register their third straight victory in the 2020 Women’s World Cup.

237. Who has been appointed as brand ambassador for Realme?
   a) Amir Khan  
   b) Virat Kholi  
   c) Salman Khan  
   d) MS Dhoni  
Answer c) Salman Khan. Bollywood actor Salman Khan will endorse the Chinese smartphone maker Realme.

238. Who is the Chief Election Commissioner of India?
   a) CM Bodge  
   b) Sunil Arora  
   c) Mohammed Asraf  
   d) Javed Ansari  
Answer b) Sunil Arora. A ten-member delegation of MPs, members of the Committee on the Constitution in Riksdag, the Parliament of Sweden, visited the Election Commission in New Delhi.
239. Kazuhisa Hashimoto, who passed away at 61, is associated with_________.
   a) Creator Of Famous ‘Konami Code’
   b) Creator of Python
   c) Vocalist
   d) All the above
   Answer a) Creator Of Famous ‘Konami Code’. Kazuhisa Hashimoto, the man who invented the “Konami code” cheat that became pervasive in video gaming and pop culture, has died.

240. KV Jeyasri bagged Sahitya Akademi award for translating_________ novel.
   a) Telugu
   b) Malayalam
   c) Hindi
   d) English
   Answer b) Malayalam. KV Jeyasri, who bagged the Sahitya Akademi award for translating Malayalam novel ‘Nilam poothu malarnna naal’ into Tamil.

241. Which Indian city has accounted highest number of digital transactions?
   a) Chennai
   b) New Delhi
   c) Bengaluru
   d) Pune
   Answer c) Bengaluru. Online payment processor Worldline India reported that Bengaluru accounted for the highest number of digital transactions in India in 2019. The aim is to move India towards a less-cash economy.

242. Who has conferred the 2020 Swami Vivekananda Karmayogi Award?
   a) Jathur Devi
   b) Jadav Payeng
   c) Nagas Swamikyang
   d) Prayag Raj
   Answer b) Jadav Payeng. Padma Shri Jadav Payeng will be conferred with the Swami Vivekananda Karmayogi Award on 29 February in New Delhi at a function instituted by My Home India.

243. Who has been appointed as MD and CEO of IndusInd Bank Ltd?
   a) Sumant Kathpalia
   b) Romesh Sobti
   c) Hemant Soren
   d) Roobiksh Kavin
   Answer a) Sumant Kathpalia. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) appointed Sumant Kathpalia as Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of IndusInd Bank Ltd.

244. CAPS-HQ MC Joint Seminar on Challenges of the Evolving Threats Facing India held in ___________.
   a) Pune
   b) New Delhi
   c) Mumbai
   d) Kolkata
   Answer b) New Delhi. A Joint Seminar on the theme “Challenges Of The Evolving Threats Facing India” was held at Air Force Station Tughlakabad, New Delhi.
245. Union Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad inaugurated BSNL FTTH in _____________.
a) Dehradun  
b) Andaman Island  
c) Diu & Daman  
d) Pondicherry  
Answer a) Dehradun. Union Minister of Electronics and Information Technology Ravi Shankar Prasad inaugurated Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) and wifi service in Dehradun, Uttarakhand on 27 February.

246. Losar festival is celebrated in _____________.
a) Assam  
b) Odisha  
c) Uttar Pradesh  
d) Himachal Pradesh  
Answer d) Himachal Pradesh. Losar festival was celebrated by the Tibetans from 24-26 February. The festival was celebrated in the Dharamshala, Lahaul Valley of Himachal Pradesh.

247. National Science Day is celebrated on _____________.
a) February 21  
b) February 22  
c) February 25  
d) February 28  
Answer d) February 28. National Science Day (NSD) is celebrated on 28 February in India. The day is celebrated every year to commemorate the discovery of the ‘Raman Effect’ by the Indian physicist Sir CV Raman.

248. Theme for National Science Day is _____________.
a) Science and World  
b) Science and Daily Life  
c) Women in Science  
d) None of these  
Answer c) Women in Science.

249. National Protein Day is observed on _____________.
a) February 27  
b) February 29  
c) March 01  
d) March 04  
Answer a) February 27. National Protein Day was observed on 27 February. The day is observed every year. The day marks the annual commemorative day to rally Indians towards the mission of protein awareness and sufficiency.

250. The theme of India Protein Day 2020 is _____________.
a) #ProteinMeinKyaHai  
b) #BodyGrowth  
c) #ProteinHai  
d) None of these  
Answer a) ProteinMeinKyaHai.
251. Eastern Zonal Council Meet to be held in _________________.
   a) Dispur
   b) Bhubaneswar
   c) Kohima
   d) Chandigarh
   Answer b) Bhubaneswar. The Eastern Zonal Council meeting for the states of Odisha, Bihar, West Bengal and Jharkhand is to be chaired by Home Minister Amit Shah.

252. Government of India paid tribute to former PM Morarji Desai on his 124th birth anniversary on _________________.
   a) February 22
   b) February 29
   c) March 03
   d) March 07
   Answer b) February 29. Government of India paid tribute to former PM Morarji Desai on his 124th birth anniversary on 29 February.

253. Defence Minister inaugurated new LCH Production Hangar at HAL _________________.
   a) Pune
   b) Chennai
   c) Bengaluru
   d) Mumbai
   Answer c) Bengaluru. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh inaugurated the new Light Combat Helicopter (LCH) Production Hangar at Helicopter Division in HAL Complex at Bengaluru, Karnataka.

254. The 11th National KVK Conference 2020 was held in _________________.
   a) New Delhi
   b) Hyderabad
   c) Vishakapatnam
   d) Jaipur

255. World rare disease day is observed on _________________.
   a) February 21
   b) February 23
   c) February 27
   d) February 29
   Answer d) February 29. World rare disease day is observed on 28/29 (last day of) February. The day aims to raise awareness for the millions of people who are impacted by a rare disease. It aims to educate people about rare diseases and their impacts.

256. Theme for World rare disease day is _________________.
   a) Reframe Rare
   b) Ignore Rare
   c) Neglect Rare
   d) None of these
Answer a) Reframe Rare. Theme: The theme of the day is “Reframe Rare”. The theme encourages everyone to take steps to clarify many of the misconceptions that can make people with rare diseases feel isolated and affect the quality of care and support.

257. Mission Purvodaya - between India and ___________.
   a) China
   b) Russia
   c) USA
   d) Japan
   Answer d) Japan. Union Minister of Steel announced at a workshop organized by Confederation of Indian Industries (CII) that GoI is to make Odisha the steel hub of India. This is to be achieved by the Government with the help of Japan.

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   a) Geneva
   b) Sweden
   c) Italy
   d) Bengaluru
   Answer d) Bengaluru. The World Productivity Congress has been conducted by the World Confederation of Productivity Science since 1969.