- Q1. Who has been named as the new chief economist of the International Monetary Fund (IMF)?
- (a) Pablo Moreno Garcia
- (b) Pierre-Olivier Gourinchas
- (c) Paul Hilbers
- (d) Piotr Trabinski
- (e) Simon Johnson
- Q2. How many total athletes are there currently in the list of athletes selected for Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS)?
- (a) 294
- (b) 107
- (c) 301
- (d)415
- (e) 435
- Q3. Chris Morris who has announced retirement from all forms of cricket, represented which country?
- (a) England
- (b) Australia
- (c) New Zealand
- (d) South Africa
- (e) West Indies
- Q4. Who among these has been awarded with the 12th Bharat Ratna Dr Ambedkar Award 2022?
- (a) Sara Ali Khan
- (b) Janhvi Kapoor
- (c) Nora Fatehi
- (d) Kangana Ranaut
- (e) Harshaali Malhotra
- Q5. Name the mission launched by the Western zone of the Indian Railways to track lost belongings of passengers.
- (a) Mission Amanat
- (b) Mission Dharohar
- (c) Mission Nidhi
- (d) Mission Hifazat
- (e) Mission Suraksha
- Q6. When is the National Youth Day observed in India?
- (a) 11 January
- (b) 12 January

- (c) 13 January
- (d) 14 January
- (e) 15 January
- Q7. DRDO recently test fired naval variant of BrahMos supersonic cruise missile. Which destroyer ship was used for testing the missile?
- (a) INS Rajput
- (b) INS Chennai
- (c) INS Visakhapatnam
- (d) INS Kolkata
- (e) INS Kochi



- Q8. David Sassoli who has passed away recently was the President of which of these organizations?
- (a) European Commission
- (b) European Parliament
- (c) European Council
- (d) European Central Bank
- (e) European Union

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- Q9. Which city has become India's first city to have a Water Metro Project after the launch of its first boat in December 2021, namely 'Muziris'?
- (a) Aurangabad
- (b) Bhopal
- (c) Kochi
- (d) Mysuru
- (e) Dehradun
- Q10. Who has been appointed as the head of the RBI's department for "FinTech"?
- (a) Ajay Kumar Choudhary
- (b) Deepak Kumar
- (c) Ajay Kumar
- (d) T Rabi Sankar
- (e) Jose J Kattoor
- Q11. Chandrashekhar Patil, popularly known as "Champa" was a prominent writer who belonged to which Indian language?

(a) Konkani (b) Gujarati (c) Marathi (d) Kannada (e) Telugu Q12. Which of the following will get India's first heli-hub with all aviation facilities? (a) Chennai (b) Kochi (c) Guwahati (d) Bengaluru (e) Gurugram Q13. The International Cricket Council (ICC) has announced Ajaz Patel as the winner of the ICC Men's Player of the Month. He is a cricketer who plays for . (a) Pakistan (b) New Zealand (c) India (d) Afghanistan (e) Australia Q14. Which edition of the North East Festival has recently concluded in Guwahati? (a) 6th (b) 7th (c) 8th (d) 9th (e) 10th O15. Which state has finished first out of 26 states and union territories in the 'India Skills 2021' contest? (a) Maharashtra (b) Kerala (c) Odisha (d) New Delhi (e) Punjab **Solutions**

S1. Ans.(b)

Sol. French-born economist Pierre-Olivier Gourinchas has been named as the next chief economist of the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

S2. Ans.(c)

Sol. With the 10 new addition, the total number of athletes under TOPS has increased to 301, which includes 107 in the Core group while 294 in Development group.

S3. Ans.(d)

Sol. South African all-rounder Chris Morris has announced his retirement from all forms of cricket.

S4. Ans.(e)

Sol. The 2015 film Bajrangi Bhaijaan fame actress Harshaali Malhotra has been awarded the 12th Bharat Ratna Dr Ambedkar Award 2022.

S5. Ans.(a)

Sol. The Railway Protection Force (RPF) of the Western Railways zone of Indian Railways has launched a new initiative called "Mission Amanat" to make it easier for the railway passengers to get back their lost luggage.

S6. Ans.(b)

Sol. In India, the National Youth Day is celebrated on 12 January annually to commemorate the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda.

S7. Ans.(c)

Sol. This advanced sea to sea variant of BrahMos Supersonic Cruise missile was launched from INS Visakhapatnam, a stealth guided-missile destroyer of the Indian Navy.

S8. Ans.(b)

Sol. The European Parliament President David Sassoli has passed away due to health issues. He was 65.

S9. Ans.(c)

Sol. Kochi, Kerala has become India's first city to have a Water Metro Project after the launch of its first boat in December 2021, namely 'Muziris,' among the 23 battery-powered electric boats being manufactured by Cochin Shipyard Limited.

S10. Ans.(a)

Sol. Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has set up a separate internal department for fintech (Financial technology) by subsuming the fintech division of DPSS (department of payment and settlement systems), Central Office (CO) to facilitate innovation, and help identify, address challenges and opportunities in the fintech sector.

S11. Ans.(d)

Sol. Prominent Kannada writer Chandrashekhar Patil, popularly known as "Champa", passed away at the age of 82. Champa was a Kannada language activist, a poet and a playwright and also served as President of the Kannada Sahitya Parishat (KSP) and Chairman of the Kannada Development Authority.

S12. Ans.(e)

Sol. Haryana Deputy CM Dushyant Chautala announced that Gurugram will get India's 1st helihub with all aviation facilities. The helihub will be the first of its kind in India to have all facilities at one place for helicopters. The helihub is proposed to be built in Gurugram & would be near the metro facility along with easy connectivity to industrial areas(Noida & Bhiwadi).

S13. Ans.(b)

Sol. The International Cricket Council (ICC) has announced Ajaz Patel as the winner of the ICC Men's Player of the Month Award for December 2021. New Zealand's, Ajaz Patel made history in December, when he picked up 10 wickets in an innings against India at Wankhede, becoming only the third player in Tests to achieve that feat after Jim Laker and Anil Kumble.

S14. Ans.(d)

Sol. The 9th edition of the North East Festival concluded in Guwahati, Assam. The main purpose of this festival is to promote and highlight the commercial and tourism potential of the North East region.

S15. Ans.(c)

Sol. Odisha finished first out of 26 states and union territories of this year in the 'IndiaSkills 2021' contest with 51 medals. Odisha won 10 gold, 18 silver, 9 bronze, and 14 medallions.

