Quiz Date: 26th March 2023

Q1. The United Nations observes the International Day of Solidarity with Detained and Missing Staff Members on (a) March 21 (b) March 22 (c) March 23 (d) March 24 (e) March 25
Q2. Name the Intel cofounder who passed away recently. (a) Gordon Moore (b) Robert Noyce (c) Andrew Grove (d) Paul Allen (e) Larry Page
Q3. The government of Tamil Nadu has decided to declare Thanthai Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary as the wildlife sanctuary in the state. (a) 17th (b) 18th (c) 19th (d) 20th (e) 21st
Q4. Who has won the 2023 Abel Prize "for his seminal contributions to regularity theory for nonlinear partial differential equations including free-boundary problems and the Monge-Ampère equation"? (a) Jean-Pierre Serre (b) Luis Caffarelli (c) Mikhail Gromov (d) Andrew Wiles (e) Karen Uhlenbeck
Q5. Who has appointed the AHF Athletes Ambassador from India for a term of two years? (a) Salima Tete (b) Rudrankksh Patil (c) Swapnil Kusale (d) Bhowneesh Mendiratta (e) Akshdeep Singh

- Q6. Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami has announced the government will set up a sports university in which city?
- (a) Ramnagar
- (b) Haldwani
- (c) Dehradun
- (d) Pantnagar
- (e) Nainital
- Q7. Who has introduced a new platform called 'DigiClaim' on the national crop insurance portal?
- (a) Smriti Zubin Irani
- (b) Narayan Tatu Rane
- (c) Dharmendra Pradhan
- (d) Narendra Singh Tomar
- (e) Virendra Kumar



- Q8. Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi addressed the One World TB Summit at Rudrakash Convention Centre in ______.
- (a) Varanasi
- (b) New Delhi
- (c) Mumbai
- (d) Lucknow
- (e) Surat
- Q9. Who has inaugurated 'Sagar Manthan', the Real-time Performance Monitoring Dashboard of MoPSW?
- (a) Gajendra Singh Shekhawat
- (b) Pashu Pati Kumar Paras

(d) Raj Kumar Singh (e) Mansukh Mandaviya
Q10. According to UNESCO report, how much world's population does not have
safe drinking water?
(a) 22%
(b) 20%
(c) 46%
(d) 13%
(e) 26%
Q11. What is the monetary value of the Abel Prize?
(a) 7.5 million kroner
(b) 6.5 million kroner
(c) 5.5 million kroner
(d) 4.5 million kroner
(e) 3.5 million kroner
Q12. The Union Minister of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare has recently launched

National Crop Insurance Portal's digitized claim settlement module namely 'DigiClaim' under the ambit of

- (a) Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana
- (b) Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchay Yojana
- (c) Pradhan Mantri Kisan Bima Yojana
- (d) Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi
- (e) Kisan Credit Card

Q13. NGT slaps ₹10 crore penalty on which state government for failure to protect Ramsar sites?

- (a) Gujarat
- (b) Maharashtra
- (c) Karnataka
- (d) Kerala
- (e) Rajasthan

Q14. When was Exercise Vayu Prahar first conducted?

- (a) 2018
- (b) 2019
- (c) 2020
- (d) 2021
- (e) 2022

Q15. Cabinet hikes Dearness Allowance (DA) by ______ for central government employees, pensioners.

- (a) 1%
- (b) 2%
- (c) 3%
- (d) 4%
- (e) 5%

Solutions

S1. Ans.(e)

Sol. The United Nations observes the International Day of Solidarity with Detained and Missing Staff Members on March 25 every year to honor the memory of Alec Collett, a journalist who died while on a UN mission after being kidnapped.

S2. Ans.(a)

Sol. Gordon Moore, who helped start the company Intel in 1968 and predicted that computing power would continue to increase over time (known as "Moore's Law"), has passed away at the age of 94.

S3. Ans.(b)

Sol. The government of Tamil Nadu has decided to declare Thanthai Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary as the 18th wildlife sanctuary in the state. This sanctuary covers an area of 80,567 hectares in the forest regions of Anthiyur and Gobichettipalayam taluks in Erode district, and includes reserve forest areas in Anthiyur, Bargur, Thattakarai, and Chennampatti.

S4. Ans.(b)

Sol. Luis Caffarelli, 74, has won the 2023 Abel Prize "for his seminal contributions to regularity theory for nonlinear partial differential equations including free-boundary problems and the Monge-Ampère equation".

S5. Ans.(a)

Sol. National women's hockey team midfielder Salima Tete has appointed the AHF Athletes Ambassador from India for a term of two years. Tete accepted the certificate and the position during the Asian Hockey Federation (AHF) Congress in Mungyeong, Korea.

S6. Ans.(b)

Sol. Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami has announced the government will set up a sports university in the Kumaun region's Haldwani town. Dhami, who made the announcement on the occasion of completion of one year of the formation of his government, said there had been longstanding demands from several sports associations for such a university.

S7. Ans.(d)

Sol. The Agriculture Minister of India, Narendra Singh Tomar, has introduced a new platform called 'DigiClaim' on the national crop insurance portal. This platform is aimed at expediting the disbursement of insurance claims to farmers who have availed themselves of crop insurance.

S8. Ans.(a)

Sol. The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi addressed the One World TB Summit at Rudrakash Convention Centre in Varanasi.

S9. Ans.(c)

Sol. Sarbananda Sonowal inaugurates 'Sagar Manthan', the Real-time Performance Monitoring Dashboard of MoPSW.

S10. Ans.(e)

Sol. 26 per cent of the world's population does not have safe drinking water and 46 per cent lack access to safely managed sanitation.

S11. Ans.(a)

Sol. The prize includes a monetary award of 7.5 million kroner (roughly \$ 720,000) and a glass plaque designed by Norwegian artist Henrik Haugan. It is awarded by The Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters, on behalf of the Ministry of Education.

S12. Ans.(a)

Sol. The Union Minister of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Shri Narendra Singh Tomar launched National Crop Insurance Portal's digitized claim settlement module namely DigiClaim under the ambit of Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY).

S13. Ans.(d)

Sol. The Principal Bench of the National Green Tribunal in New Delhi has slapped a penalty of ₹10 crore on the Kerala government for its failure to check the indiscriminate pollution of the Vembanad and Ashtamudi lakes, listed as Ramsar sites.

S14. Ans.(a)

Sol. Exercise Vayu Prahar was first conducted in the year 2018. The Army and the Indian Air Force (IAF) jointly carried out a multi-domain air-land exercise.

S15. Ans.(d)

Sol. Dearness Allowance (DA) for central government employees and Dearness Relief (DR) for central government pensioners have increased by 4 per cent, Anurag Thakur, Union Minister of Information & Broadcasting announced on March 24, 2023.

