

Quiz Date: 04th May 2023

Q1. The Supreme Court of India has granted couples the right to divorce on the grounds of "irretrievable breakdown of marriage" under Article 142 of the Constitution. What is Article 142 of the Constitution?

- (a) A provision that allows couples to obtain a divorce on the grounds of "irretrievable breakdown of marriage"
- (b) A provision that mandates a six-month cooling-off period for all divorce petitions
- (c) A provision that restricts the power of the Supreme Court to grant divorce in any circumstances
- (d) A provision that gives the Supreme Court the power to give precedence to equity over law for the purpose of "complete justice" in a matter
- (e) None of the above

Q2. The Australian High Commission in India has recently announced its government grant for a project in Kargil. The project announced by the Australian High Commission in India is called ____.

- (a) Science for All
- (b) Return to Roots
- (c) Knowledge for Future
- (d) Tradition and Science
- (e) Innovation in Education

Q3. A new study by the World Economic Forum (WEF) suggests that the Indian job market is expected to witness a 22% churn over the next five years. What is the World Economic Forum (WEF)?

- (a) A non-profit organization based in Switzerland
- (b) A political party in the United States
- (c) An international group of scientists
- (d) A global entertainment company
- (e) A regional economic development organization

Q4. What is the annual meeting of the WEF called?

- (a) The World Summit
- (b) The Global Assembly
- (c) The Economic Forum
- (d) The Annual Conference
- (e) The Davos Forum

Q5. Every year on May 3, we observe World Press Freedom Day to increase understanding about the significance of a press. What is the theme of this year's

World Press Freedom Day?

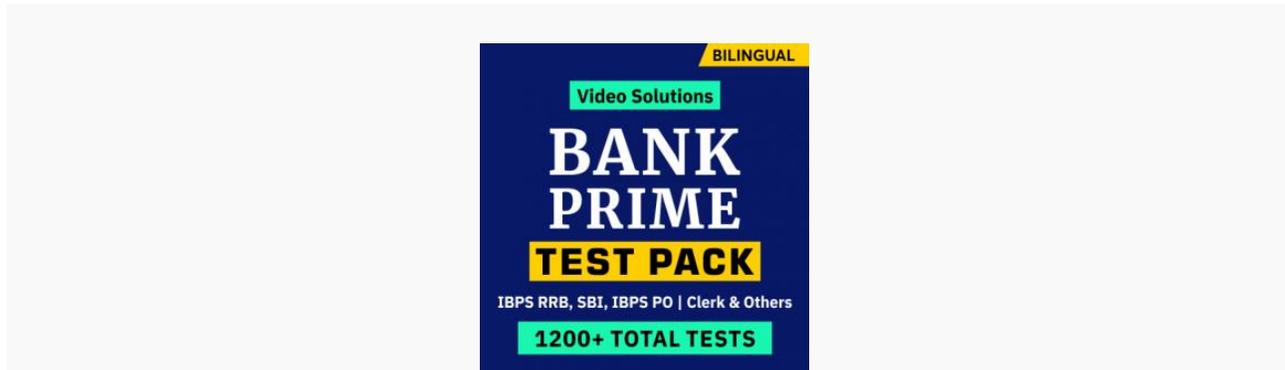
- (a) Shaping a Future of Rights
- (b) Freedom of Expression as a Driver for All Other Human Rights
- (c) Safeguarding and Promoting Human Rights
- (d) The Critical Role of Freedom of Expression
- (e) All of the above

Q6. Which organization produces the annual World Press Freedom Index?

- (a) United Nations
- (b) Reporters Without Borders
- (c) Committee to Protect Journalists
- (d) Freedom House
- (e) Amnesty International

Q7. Science 20 Engagement Group meeting under India's G20 Presidency begins. Where was the Thematic Conference organized by Science 20 held?

- (a) Mumbai
- (b) Delhi
- (c) Kolkata
- (d) Lakshadweep
- (e) Bangalore



Q8. HDFC Bank has introduced its digital distribution platform, HDFC Bank Smart Saathi, to connect _____ to the bank.

- (a) Business managers
- (b) Business correspondents and business facilitators
- (c) Investors
- (d) Customers
- (e) Accountants

Q9. Who is the CEO and MD(April 2023) of HDFC Bank?

- (a) Aditya Puri
- (b) Sashidhar Jagdishan
- (c) Chanda Kochhar
- (d) Rana Kapoor
- (e) Shikha Sharma

Q10. Border Roads Organisation (BRO) is organizing "Ekta Evam Shradhanjali Abhiyan" as part of its 64th BRO Day Celebrations. Which of the following statements about Border Roads Organisation (BRO) is correct?

- (a) BRO is responsible for building and maintaining roads only in the North Eastern region of India.
- (b) BRO is a civilian organization under the Ministry of Defense.
- (c) BRO was established in 1975.
- (d) BRO is responsible for the construction and maintenance of roads in India's border areas.
- (e) None of the above.

Q11. Who are the recipients of the 2023 UNESCO World Press Freedom Prize?

- (a) Three Iranian male journalists
- (b) Three Iranian female journalists
- (c) Three American journalists
- (d) Three British journalists
- (e) Three French journalists

Q12. Who is the current president of Iran?

- (a) Hassan Rouhani
- (b) Mahmoud Ahmadinejad
- (c) Ebrahim Raisi
- (d) Ali Khamenei
- (e) Mohammad Khatami

Q13. Amitabh Kant, who served as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the National Institution for Transforming India (NITI Aayog) (2016-2022), has authored a new book titled "Made In India: 75 Years of Business and Enterprise". Who is the Vice Chairperson of NITI Aayog at present(April 2023)?

- (a) Amitabh Kant
- (b) Rajiv Kumar
- (c) Arvind Panagariya
- (d) Suman Bery
- (e) Ramesh Chand

Q14. Officials announced on Monday that the deadline for the Smart Cities Mission will be extended until June 2024. When was the Smart Cities Mission launched?

- (a) June 2015
- (b) June 2016
- (c) July 2015
- (d) July 2016
- (e) August 2015

Q15. What is the budget allocation for the Smart Cities Mission ?

- (a) Rs 10,000 crore
- (b) Rs 12,000 crore
- (c) Rs 14,000 crore
- (d) Rs 16,000 crore
- (e) Rs 18,000 crore

Solutions

S1. Ans.(d)

Sol. A provision that gives the Supreme Court the power to give precedence to equity over law for the purpose of "complete justice" in a matter. Article 142 of the Constitution bestows extraordinary powers on the Supreme Court and renders it the authority to give precedence to equity over law for the purpose of "complete justice" in a matter.

S2. Ans.(b)

Sol. The project aims to integrate traditional knowledge with the current school science curriculum in alignment with the goals of the National Education Policy.

S3. Ans.(a)

Sol. The World Economic Forum (WEF) is a non-profit organization based in Geneva, Switzerland. It was founded in 1971 by Klaus Schwab, a German economist and engineer, and it aims to improve the state of the world by engaging business, political, academic, and other leaders of society to shape global, regional, and industry agendas.

S4. Ans.(e)

Sol. The annual meeting of the WEF is commonly referred to as the Davos Forum, named after the Swiss ski resort where it is held. The event brings together leaders

from around the world to discuss and debate key issues affecting the global economy and society.

S5. Ans.(b)

Sol. This year's World Press Freedom Day theme is "Shaping a Future of Rights: Freedom of Expression as a Driver for All Other Human Rights," which emphasizes the critical role of freedom of expression in safeguarding and promoting other human rights.

S6. Ans.(b)

Sol. The annual World Press Freedom Index is produced by Reporters Without Borders, a non-governmental organization that advocates for press freedom around the world.

S7. Ans.(d)

Sol. The Thematic Conference organized by Science 20 during India's G20 Presidency was held in Bangaram Island, Lakshadweep.

S8. Ans.(b)

Sol. HDFC Bank has introduced its digital distribution platform, HDFC Bank Smart Saathi, to connect business correspondents (BCs) and business facilitators (BFs) to the bank. The platform aims to take banking products and services to the last mile, and contribute to the development of the country.

S9. Ans.(b)

Sol. Jagdishan took over as the CEO and MD of HDFC Bank in October 2020, succeeding Aditya Puri.

S10. Ans.(d)

Sol. BRO is responsible for the construction and maintenance of roads in India's border areas. Explanation: BRO is a statutory body under the Ministry of Defense and is responsible for the construction and maintenance of roads in India's border areas.

S11. Ans.(b)

Sol. Three Iranian female journalists. On May 3, UNESCO marked World Press Freedom Day by awarding its annual World Press Freedom Prize to three imprisoned Iranian female journalists. The winners, Niloufar Hamedei, Elaheh Mohammadi, and Narges Mohammadi, were recognized for their work in reporting on human rights abuses in Iran and their commitment to truth and accountability.

S12. Ans.(c)

Sol. Ebrahim Raisi. Explanation: Iran is a country located in the Middle East, bordered by Iraq, Afghanistan, and Pakistan among other countries. The current president is Ebrahim Raisi, who was elected in 2021. The official language is Persian, and the population is around 85 million people.

S13. Ans.(d)

Sol. With the Prime Minister as the Chairperson, presently NITI Aayog consists of: Vice Chairperson: Suman Bery. Ex-Officio Members: Amit Shah, Rajnath Singh, Nirmala Sitaraman and Narendra Singh Tomar.

S14. Ans.(a)

Sol. The Smart Cities Mission was launched in June 2015. Smart Cities Mission Ministry: - Union Housing and Urban Affairs. Launch Year: - June 2015. Target of the Scheme: - 100 cities to be covered. Funding: - Centrally Sponsored Scheme

S15. Ans.(d)

Sol. The budget allocation for the Smart Cities Mission is Rs 16,000 crore.



