

Quiz Date: 09th July 2023

Q1. State Agriculture Minister Badal Patralekh inaugurated the Shravani Mela with traditional rituals and prayers. Which of the following is true about the Baba Baidyanathdham Temple?

- (a) It is a famous Buddhist temple.
- (b) It is located in Varanasi.
- (c) It is a Jain pilgrimage site.
- (d) It is recognized as one of the 12 Jyotirlingas.
- (e) It is dedicated to the goddess Durga.

Q2. Tomato farmers in Maharashtra and Karnataka have attributed the decline in their yields earlier this year to two distinct viruses. Those in Maharashtra reported that their tomato crops were adversely affected by the cucumber mosaic virus (CMV), whereas growers in Karnataka and other South Indian states attributed their losses to the tomato mosaic virus (ToMV). Which viral family does the tomato mosaic virus (ToMV) belong to?

- (a) Virgaviridae
- (b) Cucumoviridae
- (c) Tymoviridae
- (d) Tobamoviridae
- (e) Potyviridae

Q3. Taiwan has recently announced its plans to open a third representative office in India, specifically in Mumbai, as a significant step towards strengthening economic linkages between the two nations. What percentage of the world's most advanced logic chips and smartphone chipsets does Taiwan produce as of 2022?

- (a) 10%
- (b) 30%
- (c) 50%
- (d) 70%
- (e) 90%

Q4. India has joined the Champions Group of the Global Crisis Response Group (GCRG) at the invitation of the UN Secretary-General. The GCRG was established in March 2022 to address urgent global issues in food security, energy, and finance, and to coordinate a global response. Who has been designated as the Sherpa to the GCRG process?

- (a) Narendra Modi
- (b) Antonio Guterres
- (c) Sanjay Verma
- (d) Barbados

(e) Denmark

Q5. Which countries are currently part of the Champions Group in the GCRG?

- (a) India, Bangladesh, Barbados, Denmark, Germany, Indonesia, and Senegal
- (b) Bangladesh, Barbados, Denmark, Germany, Indonesia, and Senegal
- (c) India, Barbados, Denmark, Germany, Indonesia, and Senegal
- (d) Bangladesh, Barbados, Denmark, Germany, and Senegal
- (e) India, Bangladesh, Denmark, Germany, Indonesia, and Senegal

Q6. Which position did the Indian men's hockey team finish in the FIH Pro League 2022-23?

- (a) First
- (b) Second
- (c) Third
- (d) Fourth
- (e) Fifth

Q7. The collapse of the Dutch government due to differences on migration policy has set the stage for a highly contentious election campaign in November. Who is the longest-serving leader in the Netherlands?

- (a) Mark Rutte
- (b) Sigrid Kaag
- (c) Wopke Hoekstra
- (d) Carola Schouten
- (e) Caroline van der Plas



Q8. Which rate provides a safety valve for banks to meet unforeseen liquidity requirements by borrowing funds from the RBI against the collateral of government securities?

- (a) Repo Rate
- (b) Reverse Repo Rate

- (c) Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR)
- (d) Statutory Liquidity Ratio (SLR)
- (e) Marginal Standing Facility (MSF) Rate

Q9. What is the disbursal growth of PMMY loans in the first quarter of FY24 compared to the same quarter of the previous year?

- (a) 10%
- (b) 15%
- (c) 20%
- (d) 23%
- (e) 25%

Q10. What was the average size of Mudra loans in FY23?

- (a) 50,392
- (b) 61,238
- (c) 68,571
- (d) 73,489
- (e) 85,624

Q11. What is the new insurance cover provided under Pradhan Mantri Jan Aarogya Yojana in Gujarat?

- (a) Rs 2 lakhs
- (b) Rs 5 lakhs
- (c) Rs 7 lakhs
- (d) Rs 10 lakhs
- (e) Rs 15 lakhs

Q12. Which category of loans experienced increased demand under Mudra loans leading to the growth in disbursals?

- (a) Shishu
- (b) Kishor
- (c) Tarun
- (d) Both A and B
- (e) Both B and C

Q13. What is the name of the rare brain-eating amoeba infection recently discovered in South Korea?

- (a) Primary amebic meningoencephalitis (PAM)
- (b) Naegleria fowleri infection
- (c) Brain-Eating Amoeba Syndrome (BEAS)
- (d) South Korean Amoebic Encephalitis (SKAE)
- (e) Amoebic Meningitis Koreana (AMK)

Q14. What percentage of Pangong Tso Lake lies in India?

- (a) 10%
- (b) 30%
- (c) 40%
- (d) 50%
- (e) 60%

Q15. Which factor contributed significantly to the improvement in fiscal deficit in May 2023?

- (a) Increase in tax revenues
- (b) Decrease in non-tax revenues
- (c) Surge in non-tax revenues
- (d) Decrease in both tax and non-tax revenues
- (e) None of the above

Solutions

S1. Ans.(d)

Sol. Baba Baidyanathdham Temple, located in Deoghar, is recognized as one of the 12 Jyotirlingas, which are the most revered and sacred Shiva temples in the country.

S2. Ans.(a)

Sol. The tomato mosaic virus (ToMV) is a member of the Virgaviridae family, which is closely related to the tobacco mosaic virus (TMV).

S3. Ans.(e)

Sol. Taiwan produces 90% of the world's most advanced logic chips and 70% of smartphone chipsets, making it a critical player in the global semiconductor industry.

S4. Ans.(c)

Sol. Sanjay Verma, Secretary (West) in the Ministry of External Affairs, has been designated as the Sherpa to the GCRG process.

S5. Ans.(b)

Sol. Bangladesh, Barbados, Denmark, Germany, Indonesia, and Senegal, these countries are currently part of the Champions Group in the GCRG.

S6. Ans.(d)

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Sol. The Indian men's hockey team finished fourth in the FIH Pro League 2022-23.

S7. Ans.(a)

Sol. Mark Rutte is the longest-serving leader in the Netherlands and has been in office since 2010.

S8. Ans.(e)

Sol. The MSF rate allows banks to borrow overnight funds from the RBI against the collateral of government securities in case of unforeseen liquidity requirements.

S9. Ans.(d)

Sol. The disbursement of PMMY loans increased by 23% to ₹81,597 crore in the first quarter of FY24, compared to ₹62,650 crore in the same quarter of the previous year.

S10. Ans.(d)

Sol. The average size of Mudra loans increased to ₹73,489 in FY23.

S11. Ans.(d)

Sol. The insurance cover under Pradhan Mantri Jan Aarogya Yojana in Gujarat has been doubled from Rs 5 lakhs to Rs 10 lakhs.

S12. Ans.(c)

Sol. The increased disbursements were driven by the rising demand for Tarun category loans, as borrowers upgraded from the Sishu category of loans.

S13. Ans.(a)

Sol. The infection caused by the brain-eating amoeba *Naegleria fowleri* is known as Primary amebic meningoencephalitis (PAM).

S14. Ans.(c)

Sol. Around 40% of Pangong Tso Lake is situated in India, while the other two-thirds are in China.

S15. Ans.(c)

Sol. Non-tax revenues experienced a significant increase, boosted by the dividend received from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), contributing to the improvement in the fiscal deficit.



