

Quiz Date: 13th January 2024

Q1. Who secured the cleanest city title at the Swachh Survekshan Awards 2023 along with Indore?

- (a) Ahmedabad
- (b) Bhopal
- (c) Pune
- (d) Surat
- (e) Jaipur

Q2. Which two cities received the top awards for being the Cleanest Ganga Towns in the Swachh Survekshan Awards 2023?

- (a) Varanasi and Prayagraj
- (b) Kolkata and Patna
- (c) Haridwar and Rishikesh
- (d) Kanpur and Allahabad
- (e) Varanasi and Lucknow

Q3. For the Best Performing State category in the Swachh Survekshan Awards 2023, which state secured the third position among the top performers?

- (a) Maharashtra
- (b) Madhya Pradesh
- (c) Chhattisgarh
- (d) Gujarat
- (e) Tamil Nadu

Q4. Who recently approved the acquisition of up to 10% stake in a National Housing Bank-promoted company for residential mortgage-backed securities?

- (a) State Bank of India
- (b) HDFC Bank
- (c) ICICI Prudential
- (d) Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC)
- (e) Axis Bank

Q5. What percentage of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) came to India during the last 8-9 years of the Narendra Modi government?

- (a) 50%
- (b) 55%
- (c) 60%
- (d) 65%
- (e) 70%

Q6. By when does India aim to become the third-largest economy, reaching a GDP of over \$5 trillion?

- (a) 2030
- (b) 2025
- (c) 2027-28
- (d) 2035
- (e) 2040

Q7. What is the total value of the investment agreements signed by the Gujarat government ahead of the Vibrant Gujarat Global Summit?

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- (a) \$7.17 billion
- (b) \$86.07 billion
- (c) \$18.75 billion
- (d) \$10.80 billion
- (e) \$5.69 billion

Q8. Who conducted airstrikes on Huthi rebels in Yemen?

- (a) United Nations
- (b) United States and Britain
- (c) Iran
- (d) Saudi Arabia
- (e) Russia

Q9. What is the projected global economic growth rate for 2024 according to the World Bank?

- (a) 3.1%
- (b) 2.7%
- (c) 2.9%
- (d) 6.2%
- (e) 2.4%

Q10. By whom is the Economic Survey, a flagship document, prepared before the Union Budget?

- (a) Prime Minister's Office
- (b) Chief Economic Advisor and team

- (c) Reserve Bank of India
- (d) Ministry of Commerce
- (e) Planning Commission

Q11. What is the official slogan of the 9th Asian Winter Games?

- (a) "Unity in Winter, Strength in Asia"
- (b) "Dream of Winter, Love among Asia"
- (c) "Asia's Winter Dream, Unity's Love"
- (d) "Passion for Winter, Harmony in Asia"
- (e) "Winter Dreams, Asian Love"

Q12. Who is honored on National Youth Day in India?

- (a) Mahatma Gandhi
- (b) Subhas Chandra Bose
- (c) Swami Vivekananda
- (d) Jawaharlal Nehru
- (e) Rabindranath Tagore

Q13. Who has been appointed as a member of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)?

- (a) Sheel Vardhan Singh
- (b) Chairperson of UPSC
- (c) Former Director General of CISF
- (d) Personnel Ministry

(e) None of the above

Q14. Who is Gabriel Attal?

- (a) A renowned French chef
- (b) The youngest Prime Minister in the history of the Fifth Republic
- (c) An Olympic athlete from France
- (d) A prominent scientist in the field of physics
- (e) A famous actor in French cinema

Q15. What is the full form of "DRDO"?

- (a) Defense Research and Development Organization
- (b) Department of Rocket Development Operations
- (c) Defense Robotics and Deployment Office
- (d) Directorate of Research and Defense Operations
- (e) Developmental Research for Defense Organizations

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S1. Ans.(d)

Sol. While Indore maintained its winning streak, Surat joined as a joint winner, marking a notable achievement in the cleanliness survey.

S2. Ans.(a)

Sol. Varanasi and Prayagraj. These two cities were recognized as the best and cleanest Ganga towns in the survey.

S3. Ans.(c)

Sol. Chhattisgarh. It secured the third position in the Best Performing State category, showcasing notable achievements in cleanliness initiatives.

S4. Ans.(d)

Sol. LIC, India's leading insurer, has approved investing up to 10% in a National Housing Bank-promoted company focused on residential mortgage-backed securities.

S5. Ans.(d)

Sol. 65%. Finance Minister Sitharaman stated that 65% of the total FDI, amounting to \$595 billion, came in during the last 8-9 years of the Modi government.

S6. Ans.(c)

Sol. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, at the Vibrant Gujarat Global Summit, envisions India becoming the world's third-largest economy by 2027-28, reaching a GDP exceeding \$5 trillion.

S7. Ans.(b)

Sol. In preparation for the upcoming biennial Vibrant Gujarat Global Summit, the Indian state of Gujarat has sealed preliminary investment deals totaling 7.17 trillion Indian rupees (\$86.07 billion) with 58 companies spanning sectors like energy, oil and gas, and chemicals.

S8. Ans.(b)

Sol. United States and Britain. These nations executed airstrikes in response to Huthi rebels' attacks on Red Sea shipping.

S9. Ans.(e)

Sol. The World Bank estimates global economic growth to slow down to 2.4% in 2024,

S10. Ans.(b)

Sol. The Economic Survey is prepared by a team led by the Chief Economic Advisor and is presented a day before the Union Budget.

S11. Ans.(b)

Sol. "Dream of Winter, Love among Asia". The slogan aims to capture the spirit of unity, sportsmanship, and the passion for winter sports among Asian countries.

S12. Ans.(c)

Sol. Swami Vivekananda. National Youth Day is observed to commemorate his birth anniversary and recognize his contributions to Indian society and the world.

S13. Ans.(a)

Sol. Sheel Vardhan Singh. He has been appointed as a member of the UPSC.

S14. Ans.(b)

Sol. Gabriel Attal is the youngest person to ever hold the position of Prime Minister in the Fifth Republic of France.

S15. Ans.(a)

Sol. Defense Research and Development Organization. DRDO is an agency of the Indian government responsible for military research and development.



