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Dear Aspirants,

There is no doubt to say that one man’s success and another’s failure are not accidental or without reason behind them.

Our aim is to describe the reasons for the success so that our aspirants may benefit by it and adopt the path, which is straight, and avoid the alleys, which are unknown and full of hurdles. Secrets of success are not merely one or two. Generally, one of the causes of an aspirant’s failure and defeat is not following the disciplined life.

We emphasize that an aspirant must know and be acquainted with himself; that he should delve deep to find out his inner self and grab all the techniques to crack examinations.

One of the fundamental problems to investigate is the goal of life. Man always asks questions like what he lives for and what his objective in life should be. The same question arises for MICA "What is the objective and purpose of MICA?" The objective of the MICA is not dissimilar to individual goals of men (aspirants), for whom MICA have been framed; for, MICA are sent to guide aspirants towards certain goals.

Accordingly, every aspirant must see what he can be after identifying his potentialities, so as to bring them to fruition. That is the goal of MICA actually.

It is often said here that the purpose of MICA is to make an aspirant strong in knowledge and resolution, so that he may learn more and more, and secure the power to do what he desires in the field of competition.

We present you again with the August issue of your favourite magazine meticulously made for aspirants who want to be ahead of others in the field of competitive examinations.

In this issue, we are providing you with some of the imperative, indispensable, inescapable and substantial events, e.g. GST New Amendments, GSLV-MK-III Satellite, PM Modi’s Visit to 4 nations, India’s membership in Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO).

We always try to paint the demands, suggestions and propositions of our readers in our magazine. Hence, this MICA is filled with apposite content of latest news.

MICA gives you guidance, counselling and keeps ahead in every aspect of competition, because we believe in the quote-

"Your Success is Our Success"

Gratitude

With Best Wishes

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PERSONAL DETAILS

Name: ABHISHEK MISHRA
Father’s Name: MR. RAVINDRA KUMAR MISHRA
Mother’s Name: MRS. ANUPRABHA MISHRA
Hobbies: Watching Cricket, Playing Computer Games
Prior Selection: IBPS PO-15, BOB PGDBF, Nainital Bank PO

Name of the Exam: Canara Bank
Roll No. of Qualified Exam: 3071311610
Roll No. of Mahendra Institute: ALM030631744

MICA: Mahendra family expresses its heartiest congratulations on your success.

Abhishek: Thank You!

MICA: To whom do you want to give the credit of your selection?

Abhishek: My parents for their moral support, faculty members and my friends.

MICA: After how many attempts did you succeed in examination?

Abhishek: This was my 3rd attempt in the IBPS PO.

MICA: What is the role of Mahendra institute in your selection?

Abhishek: I took help from Mahendras, its faculties helped me to clear my basics and its STs helped me a lot in my preparations.

MICA: How did you prepare for the examination?

Abhishek: Reading News Papers and drilling on Question Paper Sets

I used to read the Indian Express newspaper on daily basis and give Speed Test on regular basis.

Reasoning Ability
Mahendras Books on Reasoning Ability helped me to deal with various problems regarding the subject and of course the Speed Test.

Maths
Solved Questions in classes and took STs and watched videos on mahendraguru youtube channel.

General Awareness
Read Current Affairs and Remain updated via mahendraguru website

Computer & Marketing
Practiced Question Sets and remained updated via mahendraguru app.

MICA: How do you take “Master in Current Affairs Magazine”, and “Mahendra Guru” Website?

Abhishek: MICA and Mahendra Guru Website are ‘complete’ in terms of GA content. They keep us updated for our upcoming examinations.

MICA: What is the best thing about your coaching institute, according to you?

Abhishek: 1-Best Faculty: I never ever felt hesitated while asking queries in the PSS
2-Lab ST.
3- Right kind of guidance.

MICA: What is the role of “Time Management” in one’s success?

Abhishek: It is the key to crack Bank exams apart from subject knowledge, time management is utmost important.

MICA: How did you prepare for the Interview?

Abhishek: I joined interview classes and attended all the mock interviews which helped me in grooming my personality.

MICA: Tell us about the Interview Board and the questions asked?

Abhishek: The interview board was very encouraging, very nice and there were five members.

The questions asked were:

(I) Difference between Banks and NBFC’s? Name some NBFC’s?

Abhishek: I would like to say only one line, if u want to succeed you need 5 P’s.

Proper Planning Prevents Poor Performance

MICA: By whom did you get information of your selection and what was your reaction?

Abhishek: I checked the result myself. I just ran crying and hugged my parents.

MICA: What message do you want to convey to other aspirants?

Abhishek: I would like to say only one line, if u want to succeed you need 5 P’s.

Proper Planning Prevents Poor Performance

MICA: Congratulations once again on your success. Your success is our success.

Abhishek: Thank You Mahendra for guiding me to Success.
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<td>Meaning of PCA is:</td>
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<td>India Licensing Expo (ILE), India's first and most influential brand licensing show will take place on August 20-21 in:</td>
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<td>Elected as head of FIFA’s governance committee at the world football governing body’s 67th Congress in Bahrain’s capital city of Manama:</td>
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<td>Foreign direct investment (FDI) in India grew 18 per cent during 2016 to touch:</td>
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<td>3.2% of GDP</td>
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<td>MSF stands for:</td>
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<td>59,000 ATMs</td>
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<td>The government of India (GOI) has approved 681 crores as seed capital for building a venture for electronic devices with total corpus:</td>
<td>Rs 6,831 crore</td>
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<td>Amount allocated by the government to MGNREGA in this year's (2017-18) Budget:</td>
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<td>Risk of collapse of entire financial system on entire market is called as:</td>
<td>Systematic risk offer loans</td>
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<td>Payments bank not permitted to:</td>
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40% at the time of retirement to be tax exempt in the case of National Pension Scheme (NPS)
Government of India has changed CII base year from 1981 to: 2001

A metric which defines operating liquidity available to business is known as: Working capital

A person, who will head a task force to assess the extent of employment creation at different points of time: Arvind Panagriya

Institute for Development & Research in Banking Technology (IDRBT) is located in: Hyderabad

A class of derivative whose value is at least partly derived from one or more underlying stock exchange securities is: Equity Derivative

The framework of Joint Lenders’ Forum (JLF) by the RBI is to strengthen the system for revitalising the: Stressed assets in the economy

The target for agricultural credit in 2017-18 has been fixed at a record level of: Rs 10 lakh crore

Pakistan’s new High Commissioner to India: Sohail Mahmood

According to IMF, India’s GDP forecast in the year 2017-18 is: 7.2 %

The prestigious Indian National Science Academy (INSA) medal for Young Scientist (2017) won by: Vikram Vishal

A movie of the Year at the 2017 "MTV Movie and TV Awards": Beauty and the Beast

Pakistan’s new High Commissioner to India: Sohail Mahmood

Facebook or Twitter accounts: Sohail Mahmood

A red herring prospectus, is a document submitted by a company as part of a public offering of securities.
Railways Ministry announced to build the world's highest railway bridge in India on Chenab.
Cabinet approved an agreement for assured supply of urea and ammonia with Malaysia.
Largest Bike Maker of India in the month of April is Hero Motocorp.
Boys under-19 title in the ISA Junior Open 2017 won by Abhay Singh.
Appointed as the new MD of Financial Services business of Bharti Airtel: S.Ghosh.
Named as the best player of the I-League: Sunil Chhetri.
Maharashtra CM Devendra Fadnavis hoisted India's second tallest national flag in Kolhapur.
Pratap Singh Baghel related to Politics.
Third Indian to win a men's singles title at an ITTF Challenge Series at the Chile Open: Somyajit Ghosh.
The Tallahassee Challenger Tournament title 2017 won by Leander Paes.
The 10th Barcelona Open title won by Rafael Nadal.
The jury prize gold medal at the 10th Moscow Sand art Championship won by Sudarshan Pattnaik.
The new president of CII: Shobana Kamineni.
Famous Mountaineer Ueli Steck hailed from Switzerland.
Secretary General of Volleyball Federation of India is: Ramavtar Singh.
Appointed as the new MD of Financial Services business of Bharti Airtel: S.Ghosh.
President of FICCI: Pankaj Patel.
Russian Grand Prix 2017 won by: Valtteri Bottas.
First Indian to clinch the Asian Squash Championship title: Joshna Chinappa.
T.K.K. Krishnakumar has been appointed as the president of: Coca Cola India.
Named as the 'Indian MNC of the year' by All India Management Association: Hero Moto Corp.
Appointed as the MD and CEO of City Union Bank: N Kamakodi.
Chosen as the best women player at Reykjavik Open Chess tournament: Harika Dronavalli.
T.K.K. Krishnakumar has been appointed as the president of: Harika Dronavalli.
Name the first Indian who is going to head Hitachi India's operations: Raj Kumar Bagri.
According to the International Road federation (IRF), the 18th World Road Meeting (WRM 2017) hosted by: Turkey.
India's first woman International Olympic Committee member: Bharat Kaushal.
Crowned as Miss Teen Universe 2017: Nita Ambani.
Appointed as Miss Teen Universe 2017: Srishti Kaur.
Appointed as the DG of CRPF: Rajiv Rai Bhatnagar.
Appointed as the Director General of Indo-Tibetan Border Police Force: R.K.Pachnanda.
NASA successfully launched its football-stadium-sized, super pressure balloon from: New Zealand.
Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the country’s longest bridge over the Brahmaputra river in: Assam.
Elected as the new chairperson of Tata Communication: Renuka Ramnath.
India's largest hub for information technology has been inaugurated in: Agartala.
Varuna is a joint naval exercise between: India and France.
According to SIPRI, India's rank in the expenditure made by a country on its military is: 5th.
Manpreet Kaur is related to Shot Put.

Minimum paid-up capital required for a General Insurance Company is 100 Cr.
1. The latest world WTA rankings in women category is topped by: **Serena Williams**
2. Approved the merger of its wireless division with Aircel: **RCom**
3. Selected for the Goldman Environmental Prize 2017 from Asia Region: **Prafulla Samantara**
4. 3rd Indian cricketer to take 200 wickets in T20: **Harbhajan Singh**
5. The best film honour at the Hong Kong International Film Festival won by: **Newton**
6. Awarded with the P C Chandra Puraskar 2017 is: **Kailash Satyarthi**
7. 'Eagle Salute 2017' is a joint Naval exercise between: **USA and Egypt**
8. Elected as the new president of Amateur Kabaddi Federation of India (AKFI): **Mridul Ghlot**
9. Largest LPG importer of the world: **China**
10. Monte Carlo Masters title for a record-breaking 10th time has won by: **Rafael Nadal**
11. First Pakistani batsman and the 13th overall to score 10,000 Test runs: **Younis Khan**
12. The US astronaut who has spent maximum number of Cumulative days in Outer Space: **Peggy Whitson**
13. Awarded with the 2017 Vega Medal: **Yao Tandong**
14. Appointed as the chairman of Bhakra Beas Management Board (BBMB): **Devendra Kumar Sharma**
15. Appointed as the new Director General of Police (DGP) of Uttar Pradesh: **Sulkhan Singh**
16. Inaugurated a 100 mw solar power plant at Bhalsawagaj in Haridwar district: **Trivendra Singh Rawat**
17. Indians named in TIME magazine's 100 Most Influential People list for 2017 is: **2**
18. Country which successfully launched its first unmanned cargo spacecraft "Tianzhou-1" is: **China**
19. Headquarter of UNESCO is situated in: **New York**
20. The 2017 BRICS Film Festival will be held in: **China**
21. Germaine Mason related to: **Sports**
22. The World's Most Beautiful Woman for a record fifth time by People magazine is: **Julia Roberts**
23. Au Small Finance Bank, who started its operations as a small finance bank based in: **Jaipur**
24. Appointed as the Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE) for his/her services to the fashion industry: **Victoria Beckham**
25. The Book "One Part Woman" is written by: **Aniruddhan Vasudevan**
26. The only Sri Lankan cricketer who is going to be inducted into the ICC Hall of Fame is: **Muttiah Muralitharan**
27. States selected for the Krishi Karman awards this year: **3**
28. International Yoga Day is observed on: **21 June**
29. Country which launched its first satellite named as Mongol Sat-1: **Mongolia**
30. State who has won FICCI's smart policing award for 2017 in the road safety and traffic management category is: **Uttarakhand**
31. SWIFT code comprises of characters: **11**
32. At the time of establishment, the authorised capital of New Development Bank was: **USD 100 Bn**
33. "Nomadic Elephant" is a joint military exercise between India and: **Mongolia**
34. The capital adequacy requirement of a Merchant Banker is: **5 Crore**
35. Bank who launched first ATM which accepts AADHAR NUMBER is: **DCB Bank**

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**Solatium Fund** is the reserve from where claims of HIT AND RUN cases are settled.
ABBREVIATIONS

REC - Rural Electrification Corporation
FEDAI - Foreign Exchange Dealers Association of India
MRSAM - Medium Range Surface to Air Missile
PRAGATI - ProActive Governance and Timely Implementation
PAHAL - Pratyaksha Hastaantarit Laabh
POTUS - President of United States

IMPORTANT DAYS AND DATES

August 3 - International Friendship Day
August 6 - Anti Nuclear Day
August 6 - Hiroshima Day
August 8 - World Senior Citizen's Day
August 9 - Quit India Day
August 9 - Nagasaki Day
August 12 - International Youth Day
August 14 - Pakistan's Independence Day
August 15 - Indian Independence Day
August 19 - World Humanitarian Day
August 19 - World Photography Day
August 20 - Sadbhavana Divas
August 29 - National Sports Day
August 30 - Small Industry Day

MYTH BUSTER

Moratorium: When the repayment of a loan starts after a certain period of its disbursement, that period is called moratorium.

Example: If a company is experiencing financial difficulties, it can place a moratorium on certain activities to lower costs.

Letter of Credit: The buyer of goods requests his bank to give guarantee that the payment for the goods will be paid to the seller. In such cases the bank issues LC.

Example: Negotiable Instruments.

Fiscal Consolidation: It refers to the steps taken by any Government to check the rising Fiscal Deficit, which is basically a measure of how much money the Government needs in addition to what it already has to cover the expenses of this year.

Cross Selling: Cross selling refers to selling of multiple products to the existing customers such as insurance, mutual funds etc to the banking customers.

Goods and Services Tax Network (GSTN): It is a nonprofit non-government company, which will provide shared IT infrastructure and service to both central and state governments including tax payers and other stakeholders.

Full form of BCBS is Basel Committee On Banking Supervision

BOOKS AND AUTHORS

Behind Bars: Prison Tales of India's Most Famous
:- Sunetra Choudhury

The Rise of Sivagami: Book 1 of Baahubali - Before the Beginning
:- Anand Neelakantan

Into the Water
:- Paula Hawkins

Looking for the Rainbow
:- Ruskin Bond

Harappa : Curse of the blood river
:- Vineet Bajpai
Hassan Rouhani
Hassan Rouhani was re-elected as the President of Iran after winning the Iranian presidential elections 2017. This will be his second term as Iran's President. Rouhani won his second term by presenting himself as the candidate of change and social freedoms that ended many sanctions.
Rouhani was first elected as Iran's President in 2013. He earned the nickname 'diplomatic sheikh' owing to his clerical background and role as Iran's chief nuclear negotiator from 2003 to 2005.

Saurabh Agrawal
Tata Sons has hired Saurabh Agrawal, currently strategy head with the Aditya Birla group, as the conglomerate's Chief Financial Officer reporting to the chairman, N Chandrasekaran.
This is the first big ticket appointment made by Chandra after he took over as the group chairman early this year.
Agrawal will join the company with effect from July 2017.

Syed Zafar Islam
BJP's national spokesperson Syed Zafar Islam has been appointed a non-official independent director of Air India.
The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet headed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has approved his appointment to the post for three years.
Besides him, former chairman of Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd (HAL) R K Tyagi has also been appointed a non-official independent director on the board of the national carrier.

Jim Hackett
Ford Motor Company named Jim Hackett as chief executive officer. Hackett will replace Mark Fields.
Hackett is 62 years old and has a long and good record of innovation and business success.

Suman Saxena
Former Deputy CAG Suman Saxena and two others have been appointed as whole-time members in Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI).
Apart from Saxena, Mukulita Vijaywargiya and Navrang Saini have also been appointed as the new members.
Vijaywargiya, an officer of Indian Legal Service, was an Additional Secretary in Ministry of Law and Justice. Saini was the Director General in Ministry of Corporate Affairs.
They have been appointed to the board for five years or till completion of 65 years of age.

Anurag Tripathy
Senior bureaucrat Anurag Tripathy was appointed as the secretary of the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE).
Tripathy, a 1998 batch officer of Indian Railway personnel Service (IRPS), has been appointed to the post for a period of five years, an order issued by Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) said.
The CBSE is a national school education board.

Rakesh Kapur
Co-operative IFFCO's joint Managing Director Rakesh Kapur has been elected as the Chairman of International Fertiliser Association (IFA).
Paris-based IFA is the global fertiliser association with 500 members representing 68 countries, including 24 members from India.
Kapur is the third Indian to hold this prestigious position in IFAs 90 years history.
Kapur is also the Chairman of the Fertiliser Association of India (FAI).

Sudhir Singh
Software services provider NIIT Technologies announced the appointment of Sudhir Singh as CEO designate.
Sudhir would be based in the US and shall report to Arvind Thakur. Arvind will transition his current CEO related responsibilities systematically to Sudhir during the year.
Najma Heptulla

Incumbent Governor of Manipur, Najma Heptulla, was appointed as the Chancellor of Jamia Millia Islamia.

The development was confirmed by Jamia’s Vice Chancellor, Talat Ahmad who stated that the University will greatly benefit from Heptulla’s rich experience in both political and public life.

The 77-year-old Heptulla will be succeeding Lt Gen (Retd) MA Zaki, who completes his five-year term this month. She would also be serving a term of five years.

A V Girija Kumar

A V Girija Kumar has been appointed as Chairman-cum-Managing Director of Oriental Insurance Company Limited.

Kumar, who is at present General Manager of United India Insurance Company Limited, has been appointed to the new post for a period of five years.

Alamelu T Lakshmanachari has been appointed as the CMD of Agriculture Insurance Company (AIC) of India Limited.

Lakshmanachari, who is General Manager in new India Assurance Company Ltd, has also been appointed to the post for five-year term.

Ram Shankar Katheria

The Centre has nominated former Union minister Ram Shankar Katheria and national secretary of the BJDs SC Morcha L Murugan as the chairman and the vice-chairman of the National Commission for Scheduled Castes respectively.

The NCSC, a constitutional body tasked with safeguarding interests of people belonging to Scheduled Caste, does not have a chairman for over seven-and-half months.

The term of the previous chairman, P L Punia, a Congress Rajya Sabha MP, had ended in October 2016, while the previous vice-chairperson Raj Kumar Verka had retired six months ago.

Miroslav Lajcak

The UN General Assembly elected Slovak foreign minister Miroslav Lajcak to be the next president of the 193-member powerful body.

Lajcak, 54, was elected by acclamation as President of the 72nd session of the UN General Assembly at a special session.

Lajcak, who was one of the candidates last year for the position of UN Secretary General, will succeed Fijian diplomat Peter Thomson.

Sanjiv Singh

Sanjiv Singh has taken over as the Chairman of country's biggest company Indian Oil Corporation (IOC).

He replaces B Ashok.

Prior to his elevation, Singh was Director (Refineries) on the IOC Board since July 2014.

Nirupama Rao

Former Indian Ambassador to the US Nirupama Rao has been appointed public policy fellow to a Washington-based think-tank 'Wilson Centre' where she will work on a project on the Sino-India ties, a top American think-tank.

Rao will be affiliated with the Wilson Centres Asia programme and spend three months in residence at the Wilson Centre, a key non-partisan policy forum for tackling global issues, beginning in June 2017.

"She will be working on a book project on the Indo-China relationship and will be contributing to the Wilson Centres activities on India, including its India in Asia Initiative," the Wilson Centre said. The 66-year-old former Indian diplomat was India’s first woman ambassador to China and its first woman spokesperson for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

She also served as India’s foreign secretary from 2009 to 2011. The Woodrow Wilson International Centre for scholars is the living, national memorial to US 28th President Woodrow Wilson, created by Congress in 1968 and headquartered in Washington.

Dr Himanta Biswa Sarma

Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma, president of Badminton Association of India has been nominated as the chairperson of the Asian Para-Badminton Committee.

Dr. Sarma was inducted into the committee during the BWFs Annual General Meeting in Gold Coast, Australia.
on May 18th during the sidelines of the Sudirman Cup. The position was earlier held by former BAI chief Late Dr. Akhilesh Das Gupta.

With Para-Badminton to be included in Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games for the first time, the development of Indian Para-Badminton is one of the key agenda for BAI and Dr. Sarma’s appointment will play a huge role towards the realizing the goal.

Amul Thapar

Amul Thapar, an Indian-American legal luminary, has been appointed a judge on the US Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit by President Donald Trump, the White House has said.

The son of Indian-American immigrants, Thapar was the Nation’s first Article III judge of South Asian descent.

Thapar is a member of The South Asian Bar Association of North America’s National Advisory Council, and has served as a keynote for the Annual Convention and for many of our chapters. SABA awarded him its Pioneer Award in 2010.

Vitthal Radadiya

Bhartiya Janta Party (BJP) MP from Porbandar Vitthal Radadiya has been elected as the vice chairman of Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative (IFFCO).

Radadiya, who is already on IFFCO’s board as a director, now replaces N P Patel, also from Gujarat, as the vice chairman.

The world’s largest processed fertiliser cooperative IFFCO in its 49th board meeting held in Kolkata elected Vitthal Radadiya as the new vice chairman.

Satish Borwankar

Homegrown auto major Tata Motors said the head of its commercial vehicles division Ravindra Pisharody has resigned citing personal reasons. Satish Borwankar has been given additional charge as Chief Operating Officer (COO).

He has appointed the current Executive Director (Quality) Borwankar with immediate effect, as the company's Chief Operating Officer. With this, the term of his executive director will be extended for two years from July.

Radha Chauhan

Senior bureaucrat Radha Chauhan has been appointed Chief Executive Officer of Government e-Marketplace (GeM), an online platform for central and state government departments for purchase of goods and services.

The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved Chauhan’s appointment to the post till May 31 next year, an order issued by Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT).

Chauhan, a 1988 batch IAS officer of Uttar Pradesh cadre, is at present President and CEO of National e-Governance Division under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.

Christopher Wray

US President Donald Trump announced to appoint former assistant attorney general Christopher Wray as the new FBI Director.

Wray would replace Acting FBI Director Andrew McCabe, who took over when Comey was fired in May.

FBI directors are generally appointed to 10-year terms so they can avoid political interference.

K G Karmakar & Gauri Shankar

K G Karmakar and Gauri Shankar were appointed as Independent Directors of India Post Payments Bank (IPPB).

The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved their appointment to the post on the board of directors of the bank for a period of three years.

The IPPB has been incorporated as a public sector bank under the Department of Posts with 100 per cent equity of the government of India.

B.K. Manjunath

B K Manjunath has been appointed part-time chairman of Lakshmi Vilas Bank (LVB) for a tenure of three years.

He was also appointed part-time chairman of the bank for a tenure of three years.

2019 onwards Govt plans to implement Basel -3 norms in banks.
Shashi S Vempati

Technocrat Shashi Shekar Vempati took over as the CEO of Prasar Bharti as he vouched to make the public broadcaster a "modern broadcasting organisation.”

Vempati, 43, is the first non-Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer to head the public broadcaster which runs Doordarshan (DD) and All India Radio (AIR).

The newly-appointed CEO also met Prasar Bharati Chairman A Surya Prakash.

Alok Sharma

Indian-origin MP Alok Sharma was appointed minister of state in the Department for Communities and Local Government in the UK government.

In his new ministerial post, Sharma will serve as a junior minister under Pakistani-origin Sajid Javid, who was re-appointed secretary of state for communities and local government.

In the previous Theresa May led Cabinet last year, Sharma had been parliamentary under-secretary for Asia and the Pacific in the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) and was effectively the FCO minister in charge of India.

Meanwhile, the senior-most Indian-origin minister Priti Patel attended her first Cabinet meetings this week after being re-appointed secretary of state for international development.

Kajal Singh

Senior bureaucrat Kajal Singh has been appointed as Executive Vice President (Services) in Goods and Services Tax Network (GSTN).

He has been appointed to the post for a period of three years, an order issued by Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) said.

The GSTN is a special purpose vehicle set up to provide Information Technology infrastructure for implementation of the GST.

Leo Varadkar

Leo Varadkar, a 38-year-old Indian-origin doctor, scripted history by becoming Ireland’s youngest and the first openly gay prime minister of the Catholic-majority country, as he promised to build "a republic of opportunity".

Varadkar, the country’s first Indian-origin premier, officially took over from Enda Kenny as Taoiseach, as the Irish prime ministerial title is known.

The former general physician, who is the son of an Irish nurse and a doctor from India, won the Fine Gael party leadership earlier this month.

Inderpreet Sawhney

The country’s second-largest software services firm, Infosys, announced the appointment of former Wipro executive Inderpreet Sawhney as its group general counsel.

The appointment is effective July 3, 2017.

Prior to Wipro, she has served as managing partner of a mid-sized law firm in Silicon Valley and has also worked with ITC Ltd as the in-house counsel. She replaces Gopi Krishnan Radhakrishnan -- the acting general counsel of Infosys -- who will be leaving the company later this month to pursue other opportunities.

Ramanathan Ramanan

The government has appointed Ramanathan Ramanan, a senior executive of Tata Consultancy Services (TCS), to head Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) functioning under NITI Aayog.

Ramanan is currently a senior vice-president at TCS.

"Ramanan has been selected by the government to head AIM," NITI Aayog CEO Amitabh Kant said.

The Atal Innovation Mission is the Centre's endeavour to promote a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship.
WWF International President Award
Rohan Chakravarty, Indian wildlife and environment cartoonist won 2017 WWF International President’s Award.
Chakravarty has been honoured for his efforts to inspire change and attitudes towards nature.
Chakravarty, under the banner of Green Humour, runs a series of cartoons on nature conservation issues. It is possibly one of the largest cartoon collections in the genre in India today.
Green Humour is published across several wildlife and environment magazines and newspapers.
It is also the first Indian comic strip to be distributed internationally.
The wildlife and environment cartoonist was announced as one of the two winners of the award, alongside Indonesian environmental youth champion, Adeline Tiffanie Suwana.
The 2017 WWF International President’s Award was presented in Manado, Indonesia.

Palme d'Or Award
Swedish satire "The Square", a send-up of political correctness and the confused identity of the modern male, won the Palme d'Or top prize at the Cannes film festival.
Sofia Coppola became only the second woman in history to win best director for her thriller "The Beguiled" with Nicole Kidman and Colin Farrell.
Diane Kruger clinched best actress for her first film role in her native German as a devastated mother who has lost her family in a Hamburg terror attack, in Fatih Akin's "In the Fade".

Dadasaheb Phalke Academy Award
Actress Priyanka Chopra will be honoured with the Dadasaheb Phalke Academy Award for being an international icon.
The "Baywatch" star will be given the award under the newly introduced 'Internationally Acclaimed Actress' category at a ceremony.
The award ceremony will be held on June 1 in Mumbai.

UK Humanitarian Award
Bollywood actor Jacqueline Fernandez was awarded with the International Humanitarian Award in Editor's Choice category of Asian Voice Charity Awards. The award recognises the work of charity organisations in the United Kingdom (UK) and abroad.
Fernandez was awarded for her philanthropic work in India. She has been working with the charity Habitat for Humanity for last five years. This organisation works to help people to live with dignity by giving them homes to live in.
While, writer Jeffrey Archer was awarded with the Lifetime Achievement Award for his services to various charity organizations over the years.
The Asian Voice Charity Awards were created by UK-based weekly newspaper Asian Voice and ratings agency Charity Clarity.

UN medal (Dag Hammarskjöld Medal)
Two Indian peacekeepers will be among 117 military, police and civilian personnel to be honored with a prestigious UN medal awarded posthumously for their courage and sacrifice in the line of duty.
Rifleman Brijesh Thapa who served with the UN Organisation Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUSCO) and Private Ravi Kumar who was deployed with the UN Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) will be honoured with the Dag Hammarskjöld Medal on the International Day of UN Peacekeepers to be observed on May 24.
Dag Hammarskjöld Medals will be awarded to 117 peacekeepers who lost their lives while serving in peacekeeping operations last year.
Permanent Representatives to the UN will collect the medals on behalf of the fallen peacekeepers from their countries.
The International Day of UN Peacekeepers was established by the General Assembly in 2002 in a tribute to all men and women serving in peacekeeping operations for their high level of professionalism, dedication and courage and to honour the memory of those who have lost their lives in the cause of peace.

A mortgage can be an immoveable property kept with bank
Sangeet Natak Akademi Puraskar

Satyabrata Rout has been selected for the Sangeet Natak Akademi Puraskar for the year 2016. Rout is a professor from the Department of Theatre Arts, S N School of Arts and Communication, University of Hyderabad.

About Sangeet Natak Akademi Puraskar
The Sangeet Natak Akademi Puraskar is an award given by the Sangeet Natak Akademi, India's National Academy of Music, Dance & Drama.

It is the highest Indian recognition given to practicing artists. The award carries purse money of Rs. 1 lakh, along with a citation, an angavastram (a shawl), and a tamrapatra (a brass plaque).

The awards are given in the categories of music, dance, theatre, other traditional arts and puppetry, and for contribution/scholarship in performing arts.

Hindi Sevi Samman

Scholars from Japan and the US are among 26 individuals given awards by President Pranab Mukherjee for promoting Hindi language.

The Hindi Sevi Samman awards for 2015 were given to the eminent writers at a function held at Rashtrapati Bhavan.

These awards were instituted by the Central Hindi Institute, Agra in 1989. The scholars received awards in 12 categories for their contribution in the field of Hindi language and literature.

Fujii Takeshi (Japan) and Gabriela Nik Ilieva (US) were presented the George Grearson Award for promoting Hindi language, a release issued by Rashtrapati Bhavan said. Also, Pushpita Avasthi (the Netherlands) and Padmesh Gupta (London) were honoured under Padma Bhushan Moturi Satyanarayan award category.

The award carries Rs five lakh each, a citation and a shawl.

Mumbai Press Club awards

Mumbai Press Club’s RedInk Award for Lifetime Achievement in Journalism for 2017 will be given to veteran journalist Vinod Dua, while the RedInk Award for Journalist of the Year will be given to Raj Kamal Jha, Chief Editor of the Indian Express.

WHO Director General Special Recognition Award

Union Health Minister J P Nadda was conferred the WHO Director-Generals Special Recognition Award for accelerating India’s tobacco control initiatives and taking bold measures to protect people against hazards of tobacco use.

The global recognition was presented to Nadda by Poonam Khetrapal Singh, Regional Director, WHO South-East Asia, at the National Consultation on Accelerating Implementation of WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) for Achievement of SDGs.

France’s Legion of Honour

Bengali actor Soumitra Chatterjee will be conferred with Legion of Honour, France's highest civilian award.

This award will be given to Soumitra (82) for his remarkable contributions to cinema and theater. Soumitra is 33rd Indian and second Bengali artist, who has been selected for the highest civilian award of the French government. Prior to this, Satyajit Ray (Bengali film director) has been given this award in 1987.

Saumitra has previously been honored with several awards from the West Bengal Government including Dadasaheb Phalke, Padmabhusan, Sangeet Natak Akademi.
International Booker Prize

Israeli author David Grossman has won the Man Booker International Prize for his novel "A Horse Walks into a Bar."

The award was announced in London. Grossman's novel is about a failing standup comic and his final performance.

The award has a prize of 50,000 pounds (USD 64,000) that is split evenly between Grossman and translator Jessica Cohen.

Last year the prize was awarded to "The Vegetarian" by South Korea's Han Kang.

Frost & Sullivan India Digital Transformation Award 2017

Reliance Communications (RCOM) India Enterprise Business unit received the Frost & Sullivan India Digital Transformation Award 2017 for its SIP Trunking service in the 'New Products and Services category.

Launched in 2016 by RCOM's India Enterprise Business, Reliance SIP Trunk is India's first Enterprise SIP Trunking service to be powered by the IP Multimedia System.

Member of the Order of the British Empire

Sachin Tendulkar's mother-in-law and social activist Annabel Mehta, a British national, has been awarded the MBE (Member of the Order of the British Empire) for her work and service to the underprivileged.

The award will be presented to her at Buckingham Palace in London later this year.

The Order of the British Empire (which has several ranks) was created in 1917 by King George V to recognise individuals, who have contributed valued service to their communities. MBE is a rank of the order and stands for Member of the Order of the British Empire.

Annabel has been recognised and honoured for over 40 years of service to under-privileged communities in India. Much of this has been through her leading role within the NGO, Apnalaya, of which she has been President since 2013.
OBITUARY

Roger Moore

British actor Roger Moore, best known for his role as James Bond in films such as "Live and Let Die" and "The Spy Who Loved Me", passed away. He was 89.

Moore was the only actor who portrayed the popular fictional spy in seven movies between 1973 and 1985.

Tapan Banerjee

Former Bengal women's cricket coach Tapan Banerjee passed away. He was 73.

A right-hand batsman and a medium pacer, all-rounder Banerjee represented East Zone. He coached senior women's Bengal side to Inter-Zonal champion in 2010-11.

Constantine Mitsotakis

Former Greek Prime Minister Constantine Mitsotakis passed away. He was 98.

Mitsotakis had quit politics in 2004 after serving as the country's longest-serving parliamentarian.

About Constantine Mitsotakis

Mitsotakis served as the Prime Minister of Greece from 1990 to 1993.

He had been serving as the Member of Parliament (MP) of Greece since 1946, except for a ten-year break during and immediately after Greece's 1967-1974 military rule in the country.

His support for budget cuts earned him the nickname 'Dracula' from his enemies.

Dasari Narayana Rao

Veteran filmmaker and former Union minister Dasari Narayana Rao died. He was 75.

He was best known for directing films such as "Meghasandesam", "Gorintaku", "Premabhishekam", "Bangaru Kutumbam" and "Swargam Narakam".

Rao was a Congress MP from Andhra Pradesh and served as the Union Minister of State for Coal between 2004-2006 and in his second term from 2006-2008.

Ranjith Kally

Veteran Indian-origin South African photographer Ranjith Kally, who was well-known for capturing the country's anti-apartheid struggle for democracy, has died. He was 92.

Kally was known for his iconic photograph of erstwhile African National Congress leader Chief Albert Luthuli looking out of his kitchen window as he reflected on the news that he had become the first person form the African continent to win the Nobel Peace Prize in 1960 for advocating non-violent resistance to the racial discrimination in South Africa by the apartheid-era white minority government.

Miguel D'Escoto

Former President of the UN General Assembly Miguel D'Escoto died. He was 84.

D'Escoto was also a former Foreign Minister. He headed the UN General Assembly from 2008-2009.

Govardhan Reddy

Congress leader and Rajya Sabha member from Telangana Palvai Govardhan Reddy died. He was 80.

A five-time MLA in Andhra Pradesh before the bifurcation of the state, Reddy was elected to the Rajya Sabha in 2012 was a member of several committees.

Mehrunnisa Dalwai

Noted social activist, author Mehrunnisa Dalwai passes away. Mehrunnisa Dalwai, eminent social activist, author and wife of the late thinker and Marathi writer Hamid Dalwai passed away. She was 87.

Mehrunnisa worked for justice and equal rights for Muslim women and spearheaded a march in Mumbai seeking abolition of triple 'talaq'. She also founded Islamic Research Institute and Maharashtra Talaq Muktai Morcha.

Her autobiography, "Mi Bharun Pawle", which is considered an inspirational piece for the progressive movement, was written completely in the Marathi language.

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Adam West

Adam West, the actor who played the Caped Crusader on the classic 1960s series "Batman", has died. He was 88.

West, who was at the pinnacle of pop culture after Batman debuted in January 1966, only to see his career fall victim to typecasting after the ABC show flamed out, died in Los Angeles.

C Narayana Reddy

Legendary Telugu poet and writer C Narayana Reddy, a recipient of the prestigious Jnanpith award, passed away.

The 85-year-old doyen of Telugu language had to his credit more than 80 publications, which include poems, songs, lyrical dramas, ballets, essays, travelogues, ghazals - original and in translation - and literary criticism.

He was also the president of the Telangana Saraswatha Parishath. He had received the Jnanpith Award for the year 1988. He was honoured with the Padma Shri in 1977 and the Padma Bhushan in 1992.

He had nearly 3,500 film songs to his credit.

Perur Natarajan

Senior DMK leader and four-time MLA Perur A Natarajan died.

The 77-year-old Natarajan represented Perur Assembly constituency in the city in 1977, 1984, 1989 and 1996 and was serving as the state president of the Labour Progressive Front, the DMK's labour wing.

Jyoti Bajpayi

Former Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) Treasurer, Jyoti Bajpayi, died. He was 80.

Bajpayi was one of the most respected sports administrators of Uttar Pradesh and had held many important posts like Treasurer, Joint Secretary in the BCCI.

P N Bhagwati

Former Chief Justice of India P N Bhagwati, considered a pioneer of judicial activism in the country for introducing the concept of PILs, died.

The 17th Chief Justice of India, Bhagwati remained on the highest judicial post between July 1985 and December 1986.

He was a former Chief Justice of the Gujarat High Court and was appointed a judge of the Supreme Court in July 1973. As a Supreme Court judge, Bhagwati introduced the concepts of public interest litigation (PIL) and absolute liability to the Indian judicial system.

Helmut Kohl

Helmut Kohl, the physically imposing German chancellor whose reunification of a nation divided by the Cold War put Germany at the heart of a united Europe, has died. He was 87.

Kohl's 16-year tenure as chancellor stretched from 1982 to 1998.

John G Avildsen

John G Avildsen, who won an Oscar for directing the 1976 "Rocky", starring Sylvester Stallone, has passed away. He was 81.

His other most memorable works include first three original "Karate Kid" movies, in which he directed Ralph Macchio and Pat Morita.

Swami Atmasthanandaji Maharaj

President of Ramakrishna Math and Mission Swami Atmasthanandaji Maharaj died. He was 98.

Under his stewardship major relief operations were conducted in various parts of India, Nepal and Bangladesh during natural calamities.
India becomes 2nd largest stainless steel producer in world.

Indian Railways to launch 'buy now, pay later' feature for tickets.

Dia Mirza named Wildlife Trust of India's brand ambassador

Govert gives green signal to mega naval project, 21 May 2017

Defence Ministry has given an in-principle approval for construction of four amphibious assault ships, also called the Landing Platform Docks (LPD), in the private sector at a cost of over Rs 20,000 crore.

It will be the largest ever naval project involving the private sector and the ships will be the biggest to be built in India after the under-construction aircraft carrier INS Vikrant.

The long-pending project was given green signal by the Defence Acquisition Council, the top decision-making body of the Ministry, at its meeting.

Three private sector companies -- Reliance Defence and Engineering Limited (RDEL), Larsen & Toubro (L&T) and ABG Shipyard -- were in race initially for the mega project but ABG was disqualified on account of poor financial health.

Arunachal's Anshu Jamsenpa creates history, climbs Mount Everest twice in five days, 21 May 2017

Arunachal Pradesh climber Anshu Jamsenpa made history by climbing Mount Everest for the second time within five days. With this, she became the first Indian woman to climb Mount Everest five times.

Anshu Jamsenpa on May 16 had historically scaled the Mount Everest for the fourth time becoming the first Indian woman to do so.

She is the first woman to complete Mount Everest twice in five days.

Earlier in 2011, she climbed Everest twice in 10 days. Later in 2013, he reached Mount Everest from Nepal.

Amit Shah unveils 12-feet tall Charkha, a museum at CP, 22 May 2017

JP president Amit Shah unveiled a 12-feet tall and 25-feet long steel Charkha and inaugurated a heritage Charkha Museum at Palika Bazar Park in Connaught Place.

Shah along with senior NDA government ministers Kalraj Mishra, Mahesh Sharma, Vijay Goel and Haribhai P Choudhary unveiled the 2.5-tonne charkha, an initiative to link it with tourism in the centenary year of Champaran Satyagraha.

The charkha installed by Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) is made of high-quality chromium nickel stainless steel and is corrosion resistant, non-magnetic and not hardenable by heat.

Prabhu flags off Tejas Express, 23 May 2017

Railway minister Suresh Prabhu flagged off the much-awaited Tejas Superfast Express from Mumbai to Karmali in Goa.

The train, which will cover the 630 km distance in less than nine hours, has ultra-modern amenities on board like LED TV, Wi-Fi and CCTV.

According to the railway minister, under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of 'Make in India' the coaches of Tejas Express have been manufactured at Rail Coach Factory in Kapurthala, Punjab.

India becomes 2nd largest stainless steel producer in world, 24 May 2017

India has pipped Japan to become the second largest stainless steel producer in the world after China.

India overtook Japan as the second largest producer in 2016, according to data released by the
International Stainless Steel Forum (ISSF) at their annual conference held on May 14-19, 2017 in Tokyo, Japan. ISSF is a non-profit research and development organisation founded in 1996 and serves as the focal point for the international stainless steel industry.

**Swachh Bharat App Launched in National Museum, 24 May 2017**

Swachh Bharat App has been launched in National Museum under Ministry of Culture by the Minister of State (I/C) for Culture & Tourism Dr. Mahesh Sharma. The main focus of this “Swachh Bharat App” is to basically involve people actively to become part of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan (Clean India Movement).

The App will be monitored by the Ministry of Culture and will play an important role in cultivating the significance of cleanliness to the citizens.

**Govt approves Noida-Greater Noida Metro Rail project, 25 May 2017**

The government approved the Noida-Greater Noida Metro Rail project to be built at a cost of over Rs 5,500 crore.

Announcing the Cabinet decision, Finance Minister Arun Jaitley said the length of the metro corridor will be 29.70 km which will be fully elevated.

The project is scheduled to be completed by April next year and will cost Rs 5,503 crore.

**PM inaugurates India’s longest river bridge, 26 May 2017**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the country’s longest bridge over the River Lohit in Assam and said it will serve as a foundation for a new economic revolution and help India in its efforts to become a superpower.

Dedicating the 9.15 km-long bridge to the nation, he said it will connect and bring closer the people of Assam and Arunachal Pradesh.

He also announced that the government has decided to name the bridge after singer Bhupen Hazarika, who hailed from Sadia.

The shortening of distance by 165 km, reducing travel time by 7-8 hours will open new doors to economic development, he said.

The Rs 2,056 crore bridge is 3.55 km longer than the Bandra-Worli Sea link.

**Stamp on noted playwright Balwant Gargi released, 01 June 2017**

A stamp on noted playwright and theatre director late Balwant Gargi was released.

BJP leader and Chandigarh MP Kirron Kher released the stamp on the commemoration of Balwant Gargi centenary by the Panjab University, a PU release issued.

**Indian Railways to launch 'buy now, pay later' feature for tickets, 01 June 2017**

You will soon be able to buy tickets from the IRCTC website and pay later, which will decrease the difficulties involved in the payment process at the time.

ePayLater, a Mumbai-based fintech firm has joined hands with IRCTC for adding the new feature to Indian Railways ticket booking services.

ePayLater’s 'buy now, pay later' feature will enable you to buy tickets using a loaded e-wallet and you will get 14 days to pay the money.

This will serve as a boon for frequent online purchasers of railway tickets.

According to media reports, there will be an eligibility process for buyers to place their orders via this feature.

To book tickets, customers will have to provide accurate basic details such as name, e mail ID, mobile phone number, PAN or Aadhaar card.
Punjab, UK join hands to promote skill development, 02 June 2017

The Punjab government and the United Kingdom decided to join hands for imparting skill training and technical education to the youths of the state in order to provide them better employment opportunities abroad.

He said that the first step in this direction would be the signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Punjab and UK on June 20.

As per the MoU, the students who study degree courses in Punjab or UK would be provided dual certificate which would have international recognition.

President of India lays foundation stone of Driver’s Training Institute and Secondary School at village Dhaula under SMARTGRAM Initiative, 03 June 2017

The President of India, Pranab Mukherjee laid the foundation stone of a Driver’s Training Institute and a Secondary School under the SMARTGRAM Initiative at village Dhaula, Gurugram (Haryana).

Three new Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendras (PMKKs) at Mahendragarh, Ambala and Palwal were also inaugurated.

The President said that when the SMARTGRAM Initiative was started on 2nd July 2016, he was sure that the work which has been done to make President’s Estate a Smart Township can be replicated in villages as well.

Soil Health Card helps in increasing the productivity and reduced the cost of production, 03 June 2017

Soil Health Card, a revolutionary scheme, was initiated for farmers and it has made a huge difference to farming and farm produce.

It has helped in increasing the productivity and reduced the cost of production.

Hon’ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi had inaugurated the scheme on February 19, 2015, in Suratgarh, Rajasthan.

Soil Health Card provides information to farmers on nutrient status of their soil along with recommendations on appropriate dosage of nutrients for improving soil health and its fertility. This also gives farmers information about the nature of the soil.

And post recommendations, the farmers use fertilisers and other chemicals accordingly. This reduces cost and increases production.

India slips to 45th spot in IMDs World Competitiveness list. 05 June 2017

India has been ranked 45th, down four notches from last year, in terms of competitiveness in the annual rankings compiled by IMD which saw Hong Kong topping the list.

US was “pushed out” of the top three slots while Hong Kong consolidated its dominance of the annual rankings for the second year in the list compiled by the International Institute for Management Developments (IMD) World Competitiveness Center.

Switzerland and Singapore were ranked second and third respectively, with the USA at the fourth spot -- its lowest position in five years and down from third last year.

The Netherlands completed the top five, jumping up from eighth last year.

The IMD World Competitiveness Center is a research group at IMD business school in Switzerland. It has been publishing the rankings every year since 1989. This year’s list comprises 63 countries with Cyprus and Saudi Arabia making their first appearance.

Meanwhile, for the first time this year, the IMD World Competitiveness Center also published a separate report ranking countries digital competitiveness.

At the top of the digital ranking is Singapore, followed by Sweden, the USA, Finland and Denmark, while the bottom five are Indonesia, Ukraine, Mongolia, Peru and Venezuela.

India overtakes China to top global retail index: Study, 05 June 2017

India has surpassed China to secure the top position among 30 developing countries on ease of doing business, according to a study that cited India's retail investors doesn’t need to obtain a certificate of registration from SEBI in order to buy or sell securities.
India's rapidly expanding economy, easing of foreign direct investment (FDI) rules and a consumption boom are the key drivers for India's top ranking in the GRDI.

The 2017 Global Retail Development Index (GRDI), now in its 16th edition, ranks the top 30 developing countries for retail investment worldwide and analyses 25 macroeconomic and retail-specific variables.

India’s rapidly expanding economy, easing of foreign direct investment (FDI) rules and a consumption boom are the key drivers for India's top ranking in the GRDI.

The GRDI, titled 'The Age of Focus', ranks China in second place. Despite its slower overall economic growth, the market's size and the continued evolution of retail still make China one of the most attractive markets for retail investment.

India signs $39 mn pact with World Bank for Assam project, 06 June 2017

India signed a USD 39.2 million (over Rs 251 crore) loan agreement with the World Bank for the Citizen Centric Service Delivery project in Assam.

The programme size is USD 49 million, of which USD 39.2 million will be financed by the Bank and the remaining amount will be funded out of the state budget, the finance ministry said in a statement.

The Programme’s duration is 5 years.

Dia Mirza named Wildlife Trust of India’s brand ambassador, 06 June 2017

Actress Dia Mirza was on World Environment Day appointed brand ambassador for the Wildlife Trust of India (WTI).

She has been the face of several pivotal environmental and humanitarian campaigns and was last year made an ambassador for the Swachh Bharat Mission's 'Swachh Saathi' programme.

Dia has lent her support to WTI’s wildlife conservation endeavours for several years now and is a founder-member of the organisation’s Club Nature initiative.

J P Nadda launches ‘Skill for Life, Save a Life’ initiative to promote skill development in the health sector, 07 June 2017

The Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare launched the ‘Skill for Life, Save a Life’ initiative to promote skill development in the health sector.

‘Skills for Life, Save a Life’ Initiative’ aims to upscale the quantity and quality of trained professionals in the healthcare system.

Under this initiative various courses are planned to be initiated targeting specific competencies for healthcare professionals as well as for general public.

Cabinet approves MoU on standards inked with Mali, 08 June 2017

The Union Cabinet gave ex-post facto approval to a memorandum of understanding (MoU) inked between Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) and Mali's Direction Nationale De Industries.

The pact was signed on standardisation and conformity assessment of goods.

"The MoU aims to facilitate closer cooperation and provide a mechanism by which India and Mali can work together towards the common aim of strengthening standardisation and conformity assessment activities in order to facilitate sharing of expertise and mutual trade. The decision was taken at a meeting chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Axa Re gets approval from Irdai to open branch in India, 08 June 2017

French reinsurance major, Axa Re is all set to open a branch in the country after it received the second level of regulatory clearances or R2 from the Irdai. This is for the first time that the Paris-based insurance multinational will have a re-insurance branch in any part of the world.

Axa is already present in the country in form-two insurance joint ventures with Bharti-Bharti Axa Life and Bharti Axa General Insurance. The company is planning to complete its capital infusion plans in one month to receive the final round of regulatory clearances or R3 and begin underwriting business in the country by July.
Cabinet approves agreement between India and Cyprus on Merchant Shipping, 08 June 2017

The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi has given its ex-post facto approval to the Agreement between India and Cyprus on Merchant Shipping, which was signed in April 2017.

The Agreement in Merchant Shipping will pave the way for cooperation in eliminating any hindrances which may hamper the development of sea trade between the two nations.

The MoU will encourage participation in the transport of goods between the countries, and also from third countries. The MoU further seeks to enhance cooperation for employment, improvement of conditions of work and for the welfare of seafarers employed on each other's vessels.

DU ranked among top 10 universities in India, 09 June 2017

University of Delhi has been ranked among the top ten varsities in the country by a global ranking company in its list released for 2018.

University of Delhi was ranked in the 481-491 band in the world rankings list making it the 8th top university in the country after the top ranked IIT-Delhi.

The data was released by Quacquarelli Symonds University World Rankings.

The rankings are based on six performance indicators across four areas - research, teaching, employability and internationalization.

Karnataka’s Manipal University was ranked highest among private universities in the country.

India One of Top 5 Consumer Markets in Asia, says BMI report, 09 June 2017

India has been ranked among the top five consumer markets in Asia in the 2017 BMI Research.

According to the research, China, Sri Lanka, Vietnam, India and Indonesia represent five favourite consumer markets in Asia, offering retailers the strongest consumer spending growth over its forecast period to 2021.

Key Factors for Increase in Consumer Spending

- Increasing access to consumer credit
- Low inflation rate
- More favourable regulatory environment for foreign-owned retailers

NITI Aayog launches SATH Program, 12 June 2017

NITI Aayog launched SATH Program for providing Sustainable Action for Transforming Human capital (SATH) to the State Governments.

The program is aimed at initiating the transformation in the education and health sectors and also aims to address the need for technical support from NITI Aayog towards the states.

Highlights of the SATH Program

- SATH aims to identify and build three future ‘role model’ states for health systems.
- It will be implemented by NITI along with McKinsey & Company and IPE Global consortium, who were selected through a competitive bidding process.
- To select the three model states, NITI defined a three-stage process – expression of interest, presentations by the states; and assessment of commitment to health sector reforms.
- Sixteen states expressed their interest, out of which fourteen made their presentations including Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chandigarh, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Punjab, Telangana and Uttar Pradesh.
- Out of these fourteen states, five were shortlisted and subsequently, three will be selected on the basis of further evaluations and objective assessment.
- The program will be launched in the three selected states after the signing of MoUs.

Asha Bhosle's wax figure to be featured at Madame Tussauds, 14 June 2017

Legendary singing sensation Asha Bhosle's wax statue will be featured at the Madame Tussauds wax museum in Delhi.

The wax figure, which will be built with the help of over 150 specific measurements and images, is the first for the Dadasaheb Phalke awardee.
Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu, Minister of Railways, launches Mission Retro-Fitment to enhance the passenger experience, 14 June 2017

To enhance the passengers experience by upgrading existing fleet of coaches with better furnishing, aesthetics & amenities and better safety features with a view to provide a safe and comfortable travel, Minister of Railways Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu has launched MISSION RETRO-FITMENT in Rail Bhavan.

This is one of the largest retro fitment project in the world as Indian Railways’ 40,000 coaches will be refurbished and retrofitted in the next five years.

This Mission Retro fitment is an endeavor to provide better travel experience as the interiors of the coaches would be refurbished & the retrofitment of Center Buffer Coupler with balanced draft gear would add more to safety of the passengers.

**Refurbishing: Upgradation of Coaches with Improved Interiors**

- It has been planned to induct about 40,000 coaches with upgraded interiors by 2022-23.
- RSP sanction for refurbishing of 6,700 coaches are already available.
- Approximate Cost: Rs.30 lacs per coach.

India to be Co-Partner Country in ANUGA 2017, 14 June 2017

Minister of Food Processing Industries Harsimrat Kaur Badal addressed a Joint Press Conference with the organizers of ANUGA - an international business platform for Food Industry to be held in Cologne, Germany. She also signed the India to be Co-Partner Country in ANUGA 2017 Memorandum of Understanding for Participation in the ANUGA Exhibition with Ms Katharina C Hamma, Chief Operating Officer, KoelnmesseGmbH (Organizers of ANUGA).

While ANUGA 2015 had 135 Indian exhibitors, more than 200 Indian companies are expected to participate in ANUGA 2017 from October 7th to October 11th 2017 at Cologne. For ANUGA 2017 e-commerce in food industry will be focussed for the first time.
India’s first Electric Mass Transport Project launched in Nagpur, 26 May 2017

Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis inaugurated India’s first Electric Mass Transport Project in Nagpur.

The pilot project envisages a fleet of 200 electric-powered public transport vehicles which will run on Ola Cabs’ app platform in Nagpur.

CM Fadnavis also inaugurated an Electric Charging Station at the Nagpur airport that was built by Ola itself. Ola also built three other charging stations in Nagpur and all these four stations together have 53 charging points that can power the entire fleet of 200 e-vehicles.

Defence Minister Arun Jaitley inaugurates Aeronautical Test Range at Chitradurga, 28 May 2017

Union Defence Minister Arun Jaitley inaugurated the newly built Aeronautical Test Range (ATR) of the Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO) at Chitradurga in Karnataka.

ATR will help in creating conditions for research which will in turn develop efficient human resource in the country in the field of aeronautical testing.

It will also contribute to the development of the region in which Chitradurga is located.

About Aeronautical Test Range (ATR)

ATR is the first of its kind range in the country exclusively meant to conduct flight-tests of indigenous unmanned and manned aircrafts like Light Combat Aircraft, the unmanned air vehicles- Rustom-I and Rustom-II (Tapas); parachutes and aerostats, etc.
Jaitley inaugurates Telangana solar plant, Karna windmill, 31 May 2017

Defence Minister Arun Jaitley inaugurated a grid-connected solar power plant of 16 MW capacity at the Ordnance Factory in Telangana’s Medak. He also dedicated a 9 MW capacity windmill project installed at Dammur in Karnataka at a cost of Rs 53 crore by BEML, a defence PSU.

The solar power plant at Medak has been set up at a cost of Rs 105 crore by Bharat Electronics Limited. The plant has been set up for captive consumption of the factory, on 80 acres of spare land available with it, making it self-sufficient not only for its power requirement but also reduced carbon footprint, the Defence Ministry said.

With commissioning of 9MW windmill project at Dammur, BEML would be able to meet 68 per cent of its energy requirement through it.

First mega Food Park inaugurated in Odisha, 02 June 2017

Union Food Processing Minister Harsimrat Kaur Badal inaugurated the first mega food park in Odisha being set up at an investment of Rs 80 crore. The Centre would provide up to Rs 50 crore subsidy under the mega food park scheme.

MITS Mega Food Park Pvt Ltd was inaugurated at Rayagada.

This is the 7th Mega Food Park operationalised in the last three years by the present government.

MODI Fest inaugurated in Bengaluru, 03 June 2017

Union Minister of Statistics and Programme Implementation D. V. Sadananda Gowda has inaugurated Making of Developed India Festival - MODI Fest at Malleswaran in Bengaluru. The objective of the programme was to communicate, on the occasion of completion of three years in office by the Central Government, to the people about the Union Government’s achievements over the last 3 years and to convey them about the various Government schemes and initiatives.

Sam Pitroda resigns as technical advisor to Odisha government, 08 June 2017

Prominent telecom engineer and policy maker Sam Pitroda resigned as the technical advisor to the Odisha government.

Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik accepted Pitroda’s resignation, who earlier in the day had put in his papers, according to the chief minister’s office.

Pitroda, whose resignation was demanded by opposition BJP after he was named as the chairman of AICCs overseas cell, was enjoying the status of a cabinet rank minister as technical advisor to the state government.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi Flags off Kerala's First Metro in Kochi, 17 June 2017

Kerala's first metro line was flagged off by Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the first phase - 13.2 km of the total 25 km stretch - of the Kochi metro. The construction was completed in a record four-year period and the metro line will be thrown open to public.

With 11 stations covering nearly 13 km - from Palarivattom to Aluva - this is the longest first phase of a metro to be inaugurated. The Kochi Metro is the first in India to use Communication Based Train Control technology to maximise frequencies and minimise errors. Each station on the Kochi Metro will have solar panels, which will focus on producing 35 per cent of the total power usage.

The Kochi Metro Rail Corporation has also decided to employ transgender people in stations. The construction of the Kochi Metro began in 2013 and was tasked to the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation. The DMRC was once headed by E Sreedharan, who also acted as an advisor in the new project.

According to the Kochi Metro website, the project cost an estimated Rs. 5,180 crore. The fare will vary from a minimum of Rs. 15 to a maximum of Rs. 30.
1. US successfully tests ICBM intercepts.

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Four African countries sign solar alliance treaty, 22 May 2017

Four African countries - Ivory Coast, Somalia, Ghana and Djibouti signed the framework agreement of the International Solar Alliance (ISA) in the presence of Union Finance Minister Arun Jaitley.

ISA was launched in November 2015 in Paris to create a platform for promotion of the solar energy across prospective ISA member countries.

Nepal PM Pushpa Kamal Dahal Prachanda resigns, Sher Bahadur Deuba to take charge, 24 May 2017

Paving the way for Nepali Congress president Sher Bahadur Deuba to lead the government as part of a power-sharing agreement, Nepal Prime Minister Pushpa Kamal Dahal ‘Prachanda’ resigned.

Dahal announced his resignation while addressing the nation in Singha Durbar.

Both Prachanda and Deuba had agreed to run the government on a rotational basis until elections to Parliament were held in February 2018, as per constitutional obligations. According to the agreement, Prachanda was to remain in office till the local elections were held while polls at the provincial and central levels were to be conducted under Deuba as the Prime Minister.

He was elected as the 39th prime minister of Nepal after forging alliance with the Nepali Congress on August 3, 2016.

India, Mauritius signed four agreements, 27 May 2017

India and Mauritius signed four agreements in the field of maritime security, marine science and technology.

The agreements were signed after delegation-level talks between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his Mauritian counterpart, Pravind Kumar Jugnauth, who was on a three-day state visit to India from 26 May to 28 May 2017.

India, Mauritius signed MoU for cooperation in cooperative sector

List of Memorandum of Understandings (MoUs)/Agreements exchanged during the State visit of Prime Minister of Mauritius to India

- MoU for Setting up of Civil Services College in Mauritius
- Agreement on Maritime Security
- MoU for Research and Education in Marine Sciences and Technology. The agreement was inked between Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, India and Mauritius Oceanography Institute, Mauritius.
- US Dollar 500 million Credit Line agreement between SBM Mauritius Infrastructure Development Co. Ltd and Export-Import Bank of India.

India, Fiji ink pact to ramp up defence cooperation, 30 May 2017

India and Fiji signed an agreement that provides for stepping up defence and security ties including in defence production and military training.

N.K. Singh Committee to review FRBM roadmap for future.
The deal was signed after Defence Minister Arun Jaitley held extensive talks with his Fijian counterpart Ratu Inoke Kubuabola during which they also agreed to deepen cooperation in maritime security sphere.

It said the MoU on defence cooperation envisages several areas of cooperation including in defence industry, military training and humanitarian assistance and disaster management.

**US successfully tests ICBM intercepts, 31 May 2017**

The US has successfully shot down a mock intercontinental ballistic missile, its first-live fire test, using its own upgraded long-range interceptor warhead, in what was widely seen as a test of America’s ability to counter growing threat from North Korea.

The US military fired an intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM)-type weapon from the Kwajalein Atoll in the Marshall Islands. It then fired a missile to intercept it from Vandenberg air force base in California.

This was the first live-fire test event against an ICBM-class target for Ground-based Midcourse Defence (GMD) and the US ballistic missile defence system.

The one-time test costs USD 250 million to the Department of Defence.

The continental US is about 9,000km from North Korea. ICBMs have a minimum range of about 5,500km, but some are designed to travel 10,000km or farther.

**India, Spain sign 7 agreements during PM’s visit, 01 June 2017**

India and Spain signed seven agreements, including on cyber security and technical cooperation in civil aviation, during Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s visit to the European country.

The agreements were signed after Prime Minister Modi held wide-ranging talks with Spanish President Mariano Rajoy at the Moncloa Palace in the Spanish capital.

The two sides agreements on transfer of sentenced persons and visa waiver for holders of diplomatic passports.

Five MoUs were signed between the two countries on cooperation in organ transplantation, cyber security, renewable energy, civil aviation and one between India’s Foreign Service Institute and Diplomatic Academy of Spain. Spain is India’s seventh largest trading partner in the European Union. Two-way trade totalled USD 5.27 billion in 2016.

**India, Russia sign pact for two more units of N-plant, 02 June 2017**

India and Russia signed the much-awaited agreement on setting up of two more units of a nuclear power plant in Tamil Nadu and decided to give a "new direction" to the defence cooperation between the two "great powers".

The two countries also decided to hold the first tri-Services exercises, named Indra-2017, this year and start joint manufacturing of frigates, adding on to the co-production of Kamov-226 military helicopters.

Among the major outcomes of the summit meeting was the signing of the agreement on setting up of Units 5 and 6 of the Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant (KNPP) with the Russian help in Tamil Nadu, which Modi said will further strengthen the ties between the two countries.

**Trump withdraws from Paris Accord, 02 June 2017**

President Donald Trump announced his decision to withdraw the US from the Paris Agreement on climate change and renegotiate the deal that was agreed upon by over 190 countries during the previous Obama administration.

Arguing that countries like China and India are benefiting the most from the Paris Agreement, Trump said that the agreement on climate change was unfair to the United States, as it badly hit its businesses and jobs.

He said that New Delhi would get billions of dollars for meeting its commitment under the Paris Agreement and it along with Beijing would double its coal-fired power plants in the years to come, gaining a financial advantage over the United States.
India and Russia on 1 May 2017 signed five Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs)/agreements including a program of cultural exchanges and implementation of the high-speed service at the Nagpur-Secunderabad section among others. The agreements were signed with an aim to boost the bilateral relations between the two nations. These agreements were inked during Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s visit to Russia. Modi was in Russia between 1 May and 2 May 2017.

**List of MoUs/Agreements exchanged during the visit of Prime Minister to Russia**

- The program of cultural exchanges for 2017-2019 was signed. The MoU was signed between the Ministry of Culture of the Russian Federation and the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of India.
- The General Framework Agreement for the construction of the third stage of the Kudankulam NPP (KK5 & KK6) along with the Credit Protocol.
- Agreement on granting access to Rospatent experts to the Indian Digital Library of Traditional Knowledge (TKDL) was signed. The agreement was signed between the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) and the Council of India for Scientific and Industrial Research.
- The contract on the preparation of the justification for the implementation of the high-speed service at the Nagpur-Secunderabad section was inked. The contract was signed between JSC Russian Railways and the Ministry of Railways of India.
- Memorandum of cooperation between ALROSA Joint Stock Company (Public Joint Stock Company) and the Council for the Promotion of the Export of Precious Stones and Jewellery of India.

**India, Russia signs 16 MoUs including procurement of the S-400 air defence system**

President Trump plans to nominate Richard Spencer to be secretary of the Navy, 03 June 2017

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S pencer, who has been Trump's rumored pick for months, most recently served at the investment company Fall Creek Management as a managing partner, the White House said. He has years of experience in finance, and serves as a U.S. Marine Corps Captain, having spent five years on the Defense Business Board, including in the role of vice chair. Spencer is Trump's second pick for Navy secretary, after Philip Bilden withdrew from consideration for the position in February out of concerns about divesting from his business interests.

**Joint patrols off Mindanao to fight militants: Malaysia, 03 June 2017**

Malaysia, the Philippines and Indonesia will launch joint patrols in waters off the Mindanao region this month to counter threats from Islamic State group militants.

Hishammuddin said joint sea patrols in the waters bordering the three nations would kick off on June 19, with air patrols starting at a later date.

Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte has declared martial law in Mindanao in response to the crisis, describing the attack on Marawi as the start of a major campaign by IS to establish a foothold in the Philippines.

Security analysts say IS is planning to establish a "province" in the southern island of Mindanao as part of its efforts to set up a caliphate in Southeast Asia.

Hishammuddin said Malaysia, Indonesia and Singapore have carried out successful joint patrols in the Malacca Strait bordering their countries to fight maritime piracy.

**Nepal signs mega hydro project deal with Chinese firm, 05 June 2017**

N epal has signed a major deal with a Chinese company to develop a 1,200 MW hydroelectric project, the biggest hydro project in the landlocked country that could resolve its perennial power crisis.

Nepal’s Ministry of Energy signed an MoU with China Gezhouba Group Corporation (CGGC) for the development of the much-touted 1,200 MW Budhigandaki Hydroelectric Project.

Full form of ESIC is Employee’s State Insurance Corporation.
As per the agreement, the storage project would be built under engineering, procurement, construction and finance (EPCF) model. Under this model, CGGC will help arrange funds required to develop the project.

**Sher Bahadur Deuba elected Nepal's prime minister for fourth time, 07 June 2017**

Veteran Nepalese politician Sher Bahadur Deuba was elected as Nepal's prime minister for the fourth time after the main opposition party decided to end the obstruction of parliament.

Deuba, 70, was the sole candidate to contest in the prime minister election as the main opposition UML or any other party didn't register their candidacies.

The Nepali Congress leader has become the 40th Prime Minister of Nepal. The post of prime minister fell vacant after Maoist leader Prachanda resigned last month under a power sharing deal with the Nepali Congress leader.

Deuba served as the prime minister from 1995 to 1997, from 2001 to 2002, and from 2004 to 2005.

**India signs deal with Sri Lanka for USD 318 million line of credit, 07 June 2017**

India signed an agreement with Sri Lanka to provide USD 318 million as a line of credit to develop the nation's railway sector.

The agreement was signed by RHS Samaratunga, Secretary, Ministry of Finance and Mass Media, and David Rasquinha, Managing Director of India's Export-Import Bank in Colombo.

During his first visit to Sri Lanka as prime minister in 2015, Narendra Modi had declared a line of credit of USD 318 million for the development of Sri Lanka's railway sector.

That visit, the first standalone bilateral visit by an Indian prime minister since 1987, had come in the backdrop of increasing Chinese presence in the Indian Ocean nation.

India has provided four lines of credit to Sri Lanka to develop its railway sector, amounting to USD 966 million.

**World's fastest elevator to be installed in skyscraper complex building in China, 07 June 2017**

The world's fastest elevator that can operate at a record breaking speed of 1260 metres per minute is set to be installed in a skyscraper complex building in China.

The record-breaking speed was recorded during a test of the elevator at the CTF Finance Center, a 530-meter tall skyscraper in the city of Guangzhou, China.

The test was conducted for technology development of Hitachi elevators. However, the elevator in Guangzhou will only run at its rated speed of 72 kilometers per hour when it is in service.

The elevator has been developed by the Japanese tech company Hitachi.

**Nepal's first woman Chief Justice Sushila Karki retires, 08 June 2017**

First woman Chief Justice of Nepal Sushila Karki retired after attaining the age 65 years. She was appointed as the Chief Justice of Nepal Supreme Court on 10 July 2016. She was 25th Chief Justice of Nepal Supreme Court.

Justice Karki was succeeded by Justice Gopal Parajuli, who is now the senior most judge of the Supreme Court of Nepal.

**India, UNOSSC launch partnership fund to promote sustainable, 09 June 2017**

India and the UN Office for South- South Cooperation have launched a partnership fund that will support sustainable development projects across the developing world.

The India-UN Development Partnership Fund will implement country-level projects that are catalytic towards achieving the 17 sustainable development goals of the 2030 Agenda.

The collaborative initiative is aimed at reducing poverty and hunger, improving health, education and equality, and expanding access to clean water, energy and livelihoods.

The fund was launched on occasion of the World Oceans Day at a special ceremony held at the Permanent Mission of India to the UN.
India, France and the European Union have joined hands as part of a global sustainable development project, which will seek to transform three major Indian cities by improving urban mobility and cutting down carbon footprint.

India’s Department of Economic Affairs (DEA) and French Development Agency (AFD), signed a Grant Facility Agreement of 3.5 million euros, to be financed by the European Union under its Asia Investment Facility (AIF), for implementing the MobiliseYourCity initiative.

The three cities that will benefit from the project are Nagpur, Kochi and Ahmedabad.

MobiliseYourCity (MYC) is part of an international initiative supported by the French and the German governments. It was launched at Paris 21st Conference of Parties (COP21) in December 2015.

India, Pakistan become full members of Shanghai Cooperation Organisation, 10 June 2017

Capping a two-year-long process, India and Pakistan became full members of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO), a China-dominated security grouping that is increasingly seen as a counterweight to NATO.

India's membership was strongly pushed by Russia while Pakistan's entry into the grouping was backed by China.

With the expansion of the grouping, the SCO will now represent over 40 per cent of humanity and nearly 20 per cent of the global GDP.

The SCO was founded at a Summit in Shanghai in 2001 by the Presidents of Russia, China, Kyrgyz Republic, Kazakhstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan.

India, Iran and Pakistan were admitted as observers at the 2005 Astana Summit. The Tashkent SCO Summit in June 2010 had lifted the moratorium on new membership, paving the way for the expansion of the grouping that is increasingly seen as a counterweight to the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO).

India is also keen on deepening its security-related cooperation with the SCO and its Regional Anti-Terrorism Structure (RATS) which specifically deals with issues relating to security and defence.

First female Sikh and first turbaned lawmaker take Indian-origin MPs' tally in UK to 12, 10 June 2017

Preet Kaur Gill and Tanmanjeet Singh Dhesi respectively became the first female Sikh MP and first turban-wearing MP in the UK general election results.

With this the number of Indian-origin MPs in the 'House of Commons' reached to 12.

The latest tally indicates the Labour party has improved its record from five to seven MPs, with the Tories retaining their five Indian-origin MPs taking the total up from 10 in the 2015 general election to 12.

India, Mauritius sign pact to institutionalise cooperation, 10 June 2017

India and Mauritius signed a pact to institutionalize cooperation between Parliaments of the two countries.

The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed by Lok Sabha Speaker Sumitra Mahajan and Speaker of National Assembly of Mauritius Santi Bai Hanoomanjee after their meeting here.

She said the Parliament of India accords great importance to the steady development of parliamentary relations between the two countries.

Mahajan said the relations between the two countries are based on centuries of cultural, linguistic, social and spiritual links that transcend extraneous considerations.
India appoints envoys to Italy, Denmark, Belgium and EU, 14 June 2017

The government appointed ambassadors to three European countries, Italy, Denmark and Belgium.

Gaitri Issar Kumar, a 1986-batch Indian Foreign Service (IFS) officer, has been appointed as India's next ambassador to Belgium. She will also be accredited as India's ambassador to the European Union (EU).

While Reenat Sandhu, a 1989-batch IFS officer, will head India's diplomatic mission in Italy, Ajit Vinayak Gupte from the 1991 batch, who is presently joint secretary in the ministry, has been appointed as ambassador to Denmark. The new appointees are expected to take up their respective assignments shortly.

India, South Korea sign $10 bn funding agreement for infra projects, 15 June 2017

India and South Korea signed agreement for $10 billion assistance for infrastructure development projects in India, including smart cities.

The two countries signed agreements to establish $9 billion in concessional credit and $1 billion in Official development assistance (ODA) funding for infrastructure development projects in India. This implemented a decision taken during the visit of Prime Minister Narendra Modi to South Korea in May 2015. With this, South Korea became one of the first non-G-7 countries to become an ODA contributor in India.

Both sides also agreed to consider deploying part of this fund towards the Smart City projects in India.

Neeru Chadha becomes first Indian woman as member of International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, 15 June 2017

In a significant victory for India at the UN, international law expert Neeru Chadha has won a crucial election to a top UN judicial body that deals with disputes related to the law of the sea, becoming the first Indian woman to be appointed as a judge at the tribunal.

Chadha, an eminent lawyer and the first Indian woman to become the chief legal adviser in the ministry of external affairs, won the election to the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS) for a nine-year term from 2017 to 2026.

India wins re-election to UN organ on economic, social issues, 16 June 2017

India has been re-elected to the UN’s principal organ on economic, social and environmental issues for another three-year term.

India was among 18 nations to win election to the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC). India obtained 183 votes, the second highest after Japan in the Asia Pacific category.

India's re-election to ECOSOC comes just a day after leading expert on international law Neeru Chadha won a crucial election to the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS), becoming the first Indian woman to be elected as judge to the tribunal.

India was seeking re-election to ECOSOC as its current term is set to expire this year. Pakistan, whose term on the Council is expiring this year, too was seeking re-election to the UN body but lost as it got only one vote.

AIIB approves 3 new members at 2nd annual meeting, 17 June 2017

The China-led Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) has approved the membership of Argentina, Madagascar and Tonga at its second annual meeting of governors.

The AIIB's board of governors adopted resolutions approving the three applicants to join the bank at the second annual meeting, which kicked off earlier in the day in South Korea's southern resort island of Jeju.

Switzerland ratifies Automatic Exchange of Information with India, 17 June 2017

Switzerland ratified the automatic exchange of financial account information with India and 40 other jurisdictions to facilitate immediate sharing of details of suspected black money, even as it sought strict adherence to confidentiality and data security.

Adopting the dispatch on the introduction of AEOI (Automatic Exchange of Information), the Swiss Federal Council said the implementation was planned for 2018 and the first set of data should be exchanged in 2019. The Council is the top governing body of the European nation.

The Council said it would prepare a situation report before the first exchange of data, which was planned for autumn 2019.

NBFC's shall be eligible for deduction upto 5% of its income in respect of provision for bad debts.
Paytm Payments Bank started, offers 4% interest rate, 23 May 2017

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digital payments company Patym has started its

payment bank. It has offered customers a 4 per
cent annual interest rate as well as cash back on

deposits.

The first million customers to open accounts and have deposits of Rs 20,000 will get cash back of Rs 250 instantly.

Accounts can be opened with a zero balance. All online transactions will be free of charge.

It is the third payments bank in the country, after Airtel and India Post.

BoB, IFFCO bring debit card for farmers with overdraft facility, 24 May 2017

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ank of Baroda and co-operative

major IFFCO launched co-branded

debit card for farmers

that has an in-built

overdraft facility of Rs

2,500 with one- month interest-free period.

An interest of 8.60 per cent per annum will be charged on

overdraft after 30 days.

To promote digital transaction among farmers, the Bank of Baroda and IFFCO plan to issue 2 lakh co-branded
debit cards in four states Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan where the bank has a major

presence.

Havas Group acquires healthcare agency Sorento, 25 May 2017

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lobal communications agency Havas Group

has acquired

Indian healthcare

advertising agency Sorento for an undisclosed sum.

Sorento will partner with 'Havas Health and You' business unit and be rebranded

Havas Life Sorento.

Havas Health and You is the consumer healthcare division of the group.
India retains world's highest FDI recipient crown: Report, 26 May 2017

India retained its numero uno position as the world's top most Greenfield FDI investment destination for the second consecutive year, attracting USD 62.3 billion in 2016. India has remained ahead of China and the US as far as FDI inflows were concerned in the last year, said the fDi Report 2017 compiled by fDi Intelligence, a division of The Financial Times Ltd.

HDFC among top 10 consumer financial services cos globally, 26 May 2017

Mortgage lender HDFC Ltd is the only Indian company to be named among the top 10 consumer financial services companies in the world, with American Express claiming the first position.

With profits of USD 1.6 billion and sales of USD 8.1 billion HDFC was ranked seventh on the Forbes Global List 2017 in the consumer financial services sector same as last year. American Express topped the list, followed by Capital One Financial and Visa in the second and third place, respectively.

The other consumer finance services companies that made it into the list include Orix at the fourth place, Synchrony Financial (5th), Discover Financial Services (6th), Mastercard (8th), PayPal (9th) and CIT group (10th).

NASSCOM forms SME Council, 26 May 2017

The National Association of Software and Services companies, the country's apex body of IT and Business Process Management, has formed an exclusive SME Council for the first time and elected Kamal Agarwala as the chairman of its first SME Council for 2017-19.

The SME Council has been formed to focus and drive SME specific agenda and issues to help them overcome challenges, increase revenue and global footprint, NASSCOM said in a statement.

IOC overtakes ONGC to become India’s most profitable PSU, 28 May 2017

Indian Oil Corp (IOC) has overtaken Oil and Natural Gas Corp (ONGC) to become India’s most profitable state-owned company. Billionaire Mukesh Ambani-led Reliance Industries retained the crown of being India’s most profitable company for the third year in a row, posting a net Rs 29,901 crore in financial year 2016-17.

Tata Consultancy Services, India’s largest software services exporter, with a net profit of Rs 26,357 crore was the second most profitable company in the country.

Mauritius dislodges Singapore to top FDI charts in 2016-17, 29 May 2017

Island nation Mauritius elbowed out Singapore to emerge as the top source of foreign direct investment (FDI) into India in 2016-17.

In absolute terms, foreign inflow from Mauritius in 2016-17 stood at USD 15.72 billion whereas that of Singapore read USD 8.71 billion, showed data of the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP). In 2015-16, Singapore was in the numero uno position.

According to experts, the drop in FDI from Singapore last fiscal may be on account of revision of tax treaty with an aim to check round-tripping of funds. The revised treaty came into force from February this year.

Taken together, Mauritius and Singapore account for 50 per cent of total capital inflows into the country.

In 2016-17, the total FDI in India grew by 9 per cent to USD 43.5 billion.

India will grow at 7.2% in 2017-18, says World Bank, 30 May 2017

World Bank expects India, the fastest growing major economy in the world, to grow at 7.2 per cent in the current fiscal and further up to 7.7 per cent by 2019-20 on strong fundamentals, reform momentum and improving investment scenario.
"Economic activity ought to accelerate in 2017-18. GDP is projected to grow at 7.2 per cent from 6.8 per cent in 2016-17. Growth increases gradually to 7.7 per cent by 2019-20, underpinned by recovery in private investments," World Bank said at the launch of India Development Report.

The report says demonetisation in November 2016 caused a slight disruption to India’s growth recovery, following a favourable monsoon last fiscal, but things seems to be bettering.

The World Bank report says that the overall impact of GST on equity and poverty is likely to be positive.

Prasar Bharati signs MoU with Morocco’s SNRT, 30 May 2017

Government-run Prasar Bharati has got into an agreement with Morocco's 'Societe Nationale de Radiodiffusion et de Television (SNRT)' to step up cooperation in the broadcasting sector.

The MoU was signed during the fifth India Morocco Joint Commission Meeting (JCM) in Rabat, Morocco’s capital. The MoU was signed by Kheya Bhattacharya, Ambassador of India, on behalf of Prasar Bharati and Faycal Laraichi, Chief Executive Officer of SNRT.

The bilateral trade between the countries stood at USD 1.42 billion in 2015-16.

India's growth to accelerate to 7.5% in FY17 and 7.7% in FY18: Moody's, 31 May 2017

India's economic growth will accelerate to 7.5 per cent in current financial year and the government's reform push will help achieve 8 per cent GDP growth rate in about four years, Moody's said.

"We expect marginally faster growth in India. According to our forecast the economy will grow 7.5 per cent in financial year 2017 (2017-18) and 7.7 per cent in financial year 2018 (2018-19)," it said.

Indian economy grew 7.1 per cent in 2016-17 financial year.

Overall, we continue to believe that economic growth will gradually accelerate to around 8 per cent over the next three to four years, Moody's said, adding that the negative impact of demonetisation on the economy was limited in size and duration.

The World Bank has earlier this week projected India to clock a 7.2 per cent growth rate in the current financial on reform momentum and improved investment scenario.

World Bank to provide USD 36 mn loan for Himachal, 01 June 2017

The World Bank will extend a loan of USD 36 million to improve the efficiency of public expenditure management and tax administration in Himachal Pradesh.

The programme, the finance ministry said, is expected to contribute to enhancing efficiency of key departments, improving budget credibility, strengthening systems and procedures to improve fiscal discipline.

An agreement for the World Bank’s loan was signed.

The programme, whose duration is 5 years, is also expected to improve revenue administration to increase fiscal space and targeted organisational reforms including human resource.

The programme size is USD 45 million, of which USD 36 million will be financed by the Bank and the remaining amount will be funded out of state budget.

FY18 growth to recover to 7.2%; 25bps rate cut on Aug 2: BofAML, 02 June 2017

The country's economic growth is expected to recover to 7.2 per cent in new GDP series in financial year 2017-18 on lending rate cuts, says a survey.

The data released by the Central Statistics Office (CSO) noted that the Gross Value Added (GVA) slipped sharply to 6.6 per cent in the last financial year ended March 31, from 7.9 per cent growth in 2015-16.

"This confirms our standing view of a shallow recovery. We expect FY18 growth to recover to 7.2 per cent in new GDP series and 6 per cent in old series on lending rate cuts," Bank of America Merrill Lynch (BofAML) said in a research note.

Regarding the Reserve Banks policy stance, the report said on balance, we continue to expect the RBI to cut rates by 25 bps on August 2, with May CPI inflation slowing below 2.5 per cent.

The Reserve Bank in its monetary policy review meet on April 6 kept the re-purchase or repo rate -- at which it lends to banks -- unchanged at 6.25 per cent but increased reverse repo rate to 6 per cent from 5.75 per cent.
India's GDP growth to recover to 7.2 pc this fiscal: UBS, 02 June 2017

India’s GDP growth is expected to recover from 7.1 per cent in 2016-17 to 7.2 per cent this fiscal and further to 7.7 per cent in 2018-19 largely driven by the government’s reform push and recovery in private investments.

Global financial services major UBS said the gradual pace of recovery will help improve productivity dynamics and lay the foundation for sustainable growth.

According to UBS, India’s growth outlook depends on the ability of the policymakers to undertake structural reform in labour, land, capital and business. The most critical reform include resolution of stressed assets in banking system, GST and easing of supply-side bottlenecks.

Piyush Goyal’s visit to Berlin, Leipzig and Munich, 03 June 2017

Union Minister of State (IC) for Power, Coal, New & Renewable Energy and Mines, Piyush Goyal visited Berlin, Leipzig and Munich from May 29 to June 1, 2017.

Goyal proposed a partnership with EESL, which can help India leapfrog and distribute energy efficiency products across the globe. In order to facilitate better interaction between German and Indian companies, Goyal recommended that International Solar Alliance (ISA) Secretariat start holding monthly matchmaking meetings in collaboration with Industry Associations like CII, FICCI etc.

In order to develop the rooftop market, the Minister suggested that SECI or NTPC can take long term funding from KfW and set up rooftops on government buildings as an aggregator.

India GDP growth to remain flat at 7.1 pc in 2017-18: HSBC, 04 June 2017

India’s economic growth is expected to remain flat at 7.1 per cent in current fiscal as investment is still weak and government spending might not be as high given the fiscal consolidation.

"Looking ahead, our below-consensus view is that growth will remain flat at 7.1 per cent in 2017-18," HSBC Chief India Economist Pranjul Bhandari said in a research note.

World Bank projects 7.2% growth rate for India in 2017, 04 June 2017

Noting that India is recovering from the temporary adverse effects of demonetisation, the World Bank has projected a strong 7.2 per cent growth rate for India this year against 6.8 per cent growth in 2016.

Even as the World Bank has revised the country’s growth figures by 0.4 percentage point compared to its January forecast, India remains the fastest growing major economy in the world.

The growth projections for China remains unchanged at 6.5 per cent for 2017 and then 6.3 per cent for 2018 and 2019.

The World Bank in its latest Global Economic Prospects, projects India’s growth at 7.5 per cent in 2018 and 7.7 per cent in 2019.

RBI keeps key rate unchanged; cuts SLR, lowers GDP projection, 07 June 2017

The Reserve Bank kept interest rate unchanged as widely expected but raised concerns over fiscal slippages in view of rush for farm loan waivers.

It has however slashed the Statutory Liquidity Ratio (SLR) or the percentage of deposits that banks have to park in government securities, by 0.5 per cent to 20.5 per cent, a move that would result increased lending by banks.

The fifth meeting of Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) maintained the repo rate, at which it lends to the banks, at 6.25 per cent and the reverse repo, at which it borrows, will be 6 per cent.

"The decision of the MPC is consistent with a neutral stance of monetary policy in consonance with the objective of achieving the medium-term target for consumer price index (CPI) inflation of 4 per cent within a band of +/- 2 per cent, while supporting growth," RBI said in its second bi-monthly policy review for 2017-18.

RBI cut the economic growth projection to 7.3 per cent for the current fiscal from 7.4 per cent earlier.
India signs OECD pact to check tax evasion by MNCs, 08 June 2017

India signed the OECD multilateral convention that aims to check cross-border tax evasion by multinational companies.

Union Finance Minister Arun Jaitley signed the multilateral convention in Paris to implement tax treaty-related measures to prevent base erosion and profit shifting.

HSBC sees India growth unchanged at 7.1% this fiscal, 09 June 2017

India’s growth is likely to remain unchanged at 7.1 per cent this fiscal, as investments are low and government spending may not remain high given the fiscal consolidation path the country is treading.

According to the global financial services major HSBC, output gap in the country is likely to remain negative for longer period of time.

In its policy review, the central bank also lowered its growth forecast to 7.3 per cent, from 7.4 per cent earlier.

Siemens signs MoU with Karna govt for Rs 2031.80 cr project, 10 June 2017

Siemens Industry Software India Pvt. Ltd., said it has signed an MoU with the Karnataka Government Tool Room and Training Center and Design Tech Systems Limited to establish four Centers of Excellence across the state.

According to the state government, the total cost of the project is Rs 2031.80 crore, out of which Siemens Industry Software, India contributes Rs 1822.48 crore and Government of Karnataka’s share is Rs 219.32 crore.

The partnership paves the way for a world-class integrated skill development infrastructure and benchmarked technical education curriculum with core focus on Industry4.0 Automation, Mechatronics and Internet of Things (IOT) infrastructure.

Inflation touches record low of 2.18 percent in May. Vegetables, pulses responsible, 13 June 2017

Retail inflation slumped to record low of 2.18 per cent in May driven by sharp drop in kitchen staples like vegetables and pulses, strengthening government’s case for lowering of interest rate by RBI.

For the first time since January 2012, food prices saw deflation in May (-1.05 per cent) and the prospect of good monsoon rains is likely to keep food inflation in check.

The worst performing sectors in April were manufacturing, capital goods and consumer durables.

Retail inflation was the lowest since the government started publishing a wider CPI data in 2012.

HDFC Bank overtakes RIL to become second most valued firm, 14 June 2017

HDFC Bank surpassed Reliance Industries Ltd to become the country’s second most valued firm in terms of market capitalization.

TCS is the most valued Indian company with a m-cap of Rs 4,83,424.79 crore, followed by HDFC Bank, RIL, ITC (Rs 3,70,130.76 crore) and HDFC (Rs 2,65,178.80 crore) in the top-five list.

RBI issues new batch of Rs 500 notes with inset letter A, 14 June 2017

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) announced that it has issued Rs 500 denomination notes with inset letter A.

The RBI also made it clear that the old notes, which were introduced after Prime Narendra Modi’s demonetisation drive in November 2016, will continue to remain the legal tender.

Eligible financial facility provided by the Bank is known as Para banking services.
Key features of the new batch of the note

- The new batch of banknotes will have inset letter “A” in both the number panels.
- It will bear the signature of Urjit R Patel, Governor, Reserve Bank of India.
- The year of printing will be ‘2017’ on the reverse.
- It will also have Swachh Bharat logo printed on the backside of the banknote.
- In addition, some of the notes would carry an additional character in between the prefix and the number of the banknote.

China-led AIIB grants $150 mn loan for India Infrastructure Fund, 16 June 2017

China-led Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank has approved $150 million equity investment loan to the India Infrastructure Fund, the bank’s first such loan to fund private projects.

The Board of Directors of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) who met in Jeju in South Korea has approved $150 million equity investment to the India Infrastructure Fund.

The bank, in which India is a lead partner, has approved two loans and one equity investment totalling $324 million to support infrastructure projects in India, Georgia and Tajikistan. The Infrastructure Fund aims to invest in mid-cap infrastructure companies in India, and to expand the bank’s equity and loan deal sourcing pipelines in the private sector through its equity participation in this fund, the statement said.

Aadhaar must for opening bank accounts, transactions of Rs 50,000 and above, 17 June 2017

The government made the Aadhaar card mandatory for opening bank accounts and for financial transactions of Rs 50,000 and above.

Existing bank account holders have been asked to submit the Aadhaar number issued by the Unique Identification Authority of India (Uidai) by December 31, 2017, failing which the account will be declared invalid, according to a revenue department notification.

The government in Budget 2017 had also mandated seeding the Aadhaar number with the Permanent Account Number (PAN) to avoid individuals using multiple PANs to evade taxes.

Lockheed Martin, Tata ink deal to make F-16 fighters in India, 20 June 2017

Tata Group and American aerospace giant Lockheed Martin signed an "unprecedented" deal to jointly produce the combat-proven F-16 fighter jets in India.

Under the deal, Lockheed will shift its Fort Worth, Texas plant to India without directly affecting American jobs, a campaign pledge of Trump who has vowed to put "America First".

The deal announced during the Paris Airshow between Tata Advanced Systems Ltd (TASL) and Lockheed Martin is ideally suited to meet Indian Air Forces single-engine fighter needs.

According to defence experts, the Air Force needs around 200 medium weight category aircraft.

The "unprecedented" F-16 production partnership between the world’s largest defence contractor and India’s premier industrial house provides India the opportunity to produce, operate and export F-16 Block 70 aircraft, the newest and most advanced version of the world’s most successful, combat-proven multi-role fighter.

SpiceJet, Boeing sign MoU for 40 737 MAX planes for $4.7 bn, 20 June 2017

Budget carrier SpiceJet signed an initial pact with the US aircraft maker Boeing Co for 40 737 MAX planes.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), valued at $4.7 billion at current list prices, was signed at the Paris Air Show.

The agreement is split evenly between 20 new orders for the 737 MAX 10 and conversions of 20 737 MAX 8 airplanes from the airline’s existing order to 737 MAX 10s.
1. Mumbai Indians won third IPL crown.
2. Kohli reclaims top spot in ICC ODI rankings for batsmen.
3. Pakistan sink India to lift maiden Champions Trophy.

Svitolina won Italian Open title, 21 May 2017

Ukraine's Elina Svitolina continued her brilliant season with a win over Simona Halep in the Italian Open final.

Svitolina advanced to her maiden Rome final when Spanish semi-final opponent Garbine Muguruza, the French Open champion, retired injured as she trailed 4-1 to the big-hitting Ukrainian.

Vaishali wins gold in Asian Blitz Championship, 21 May 2017

India's R Vaishali won the women's title in the Asian Continental Blitz Chess Championship in Chengdu, China.

She was at her best in the Blitz event and won seven games and posted two draws in the nine-round event.

Vaishali drew her final round game against Uurtsaikh Uuriintuya of Mongolia to finish half-a-point ahead of Iran's Sarasdat Khademalsharieh and clinch the gold medal.

Mumbai Indians won third IPL crown, 22 May 2017

Mumbai Indians defeated Rising Pune Supergiant by one run to win the IPL 10 title. With this, Mumbai Indians have become the IPL champions for the third time.

Mumbai had earlier won the title in 2013 and 2015 under the leadership of Rohit Sharma. Mumbai got shining trophy and Rs. 15 crores from this victory, while the Pune-linked team of IPL associated with the IPL for two years received Rs. 10 crores as a runner-up.

Zverev stuns Djokovic to win Rome Masters, 22 May 2017

Germany's Alexander Zverev stunned four-time champion Novak Djokovic to win the Rome Masters.

The 20-year-old Zverev claimed his maiden Masters 1000 title after becoming the youngest player in a decade to reach a final at this level and will move to 10 in the world as a result of his impressive victory.

Federation Cup: Bengaluru FC beat Mohun Bagan 2-0, win title, 22 May 2017

Bengaluru FC defeated Mohun Bagan by 2-0 to win the 38th edition of the Hero Federation Cup.

The Federation Cup, also known as Hero Federation Cup for sponsorship reasons, is an annual knockout style club football tournament in India that started in 1977.

Ashwin wins International Cricketer of the Year award, 24 May 2017

Indian off-spinner Ravichandran Ashwin won the coveted International Cricketer of the Year award at the CEAT Cricket Rating (CCR) International awards 2017.

The award was presented to Ashwin by former India skipper Sunil Gavaskar and Harsh Goenka, Chairman of RPG Enterprises, at a function held at the Cricket Club of India.

Ashwin has taken 99 wickets in the past 12 months. Meanwhile, young batsman Shubhman Gill won the Young player of the year award for his superb performance during the India-England U-19 ODI series, played in Mumbai.
Manchester United beat Ajax to claim 2016–17 UEFA Europa League title, 26 May 2017

Manchester United won their first ever UEFA Europa League title. The team defeated Ajax to clinch the 2016–17 UEFA Europa League title.

It is the second major trophy of the season for the Manchester United. Their first win for the season was the 2016-17 EFL Cup.

About Manchester United

- Manchester United Football Club is a professional football club based in Old Trafford, Greater Manchester, England.
- The team is nicknamed as "the Red Devils."
- It was founded in 1878 as Newton Heath LYR Football Club. Its name was changed to Manchester United in 1902.

About UEFA Europa League

- The UEFA Europa League is an annual football club competition.
- It was previously called the UEFA Cup.
- It has been organised by UEFA since 1971 for eligible European football clubs.
- The 2015–16 UEFA Europa League was won by Sevilla.

South Korea upset China to win Sudirman Cup, 28 May 2017

South Korea won badminton's Sudirman Cup for the first time in 14 years with a victory over 10-time champions China at Australia's Gold Coast.

The victory their first in the biennial tournament since Eindhoven in 2003 ended China's 14-year grip on the Sudirman Cup.

Mission XI Million picks Chandigarh girl, 28 May 2017

An eighth standard student, Ananya Kamboj from Chandigarh has been selected to represent India as a young journalist at the global Football for Friendship (F4F) social programme in Russia.

Ananya Kamboj, from Vivek High School, Mohali, has been selected to represent India.

The F4F programme, supported by Gazprom and FIFA, focuses on the development of children's football, fostering tolerance and respect for different cultures and nationalities among children from different countries. India joins the programme for the first time and will participate alongside 60 other countries.

Ananya will join young journalists from around the world in St. Petersburg, Russia in July 2017.

Hashim Amla breaks Virat Kohli's record, becomes fastest to 7000 ODI runs, 30 May 2017

South African batsman Hashim Amla has overtaken Virat Kohli as the fastest to reach 7,000 ODI runs in the course of the third and final ODI against England at Lord's.

Amla took only 151 innings to get to the landmark while Kohli had taken 161 innings. Before him, de Villiers had reached the coveted 7,000-run mark in 166 innings.

India's junior shooters return with 11 medals, 30 May 2017

India’s junior shooting squad returned with a rich haul of 11 medals from the recently- concluded 27th Meeting of Shooting Hopes, a renowned international competition for future stars, held at Plzen, Czech Republic.

India finished with three gold, four silver and four bronze medals at the four-day competition, which witnessed 459
shooters from 23 countries in action in a total of 14 rifle and pistol events.

Anmol Jain has won a team gold and a team silver in the junior mens 10m Air Pistol and 50m Pistol events, besides bagging an individual silver in the 50m Pistol event.

Another Indian -- Arjun Babuta, in the Junior mens 10m Air Rifle -- won silver Medal.

**Star Sports launches first Tamil sports channel, 31 May 2017**

Star Sports, the sports broadcast arm of Star India, has launched "Star Sports Tamil," the country’s first Tamil sports channel.

The channel would bring fans across the State a full calendar of sports - starting with the ICC Champions Trophy 2017, followed by the second edition of Tamil Nadu Premier League (TNPL), VIVO Pro Kabaddi League Season 5 and Hero ISL.

The channel would provide curated content localised to Tamil stars such as India cricketer R Ashwin, TNPL stars and those from Chennaiyin FC.

**Kohli only Indian in top 10 ICC rankings, 31 May 2017**

Indian captain Virat Kohli is the lone cricketer from the country to feature in the top 10 of the ICC Players Rankings for ODIs as he managed to hold on to his third spot in the batsman’s chart.

The top three batsmen: South Africa’s AB de Villiers (874 rating points), Australian David Warner (871) and Kohli (852) are separated by just 22 points.

India, South Africa and England have four batsmen each inside the top 20 with New Zealand (three), Australia and Pakistan (two each) also having significant presence.

**Kohli, Dhoni, Yuvraj, Raina in list of top 100 athletes, 01 June 2017**

India captain Virat Kohli, former skipper Mahendra Singh Dhoni and stylish left-handed batsmen, Yuvraj Singh and Suresh Raina, have found places in this year’s ESPN World Fame 100 list that made its debut last year.

While Kohli is placed in the 13th spot and Dhoni in the 15th, Yuvraj and Raina have been ranked 90th and 95th respectively.

The list is ESPN’s ranking of the 100 most famous active athletes in the world.

Heading the list is top Portuguese footballer Cristiano Ronaldo while NBA great Lebron James, another soccer star Lionel Messi and tennis ace Roger Federer are the top four athletes, in that order.

The others in the top ten are: Phil Mickelson, Neymar Usain Bolt, Kevin Durant, Rafael Nadal and Tiger Woods.

**Lionel Messi wins fourth Golden Shoe, ties record with Cristiano Ronaldo, 01 June 2017**

Barcelona striker Lionel Messi won the European Golden Shoe for a record equalling fourth time having scored 37 goals this season in the Spanish league. He drew level with Real Madrid’s Cristiano Ronaldo with the fourth honour.

The award goes every season to the leading goal scorer from every top division national league in Europe.

In other achievements, Messi has been honoured with five Ballon d’Or awards so far, five La Liga Best Player awards, and both a FIFA World Cup Golden Ball and Player of the Year title.

**Ramachandra Guha resigns as BCCI administrator, 01 June 2017**

Historian Ramachandra Guha, appointed by the Supreme Court as one of the four administrators of BCCI, resigned from his post.

The apex court had on January 30 appointed a four-member committee of administrators headed by former Comptroller and Auditor General Vinod Rai to run the affairs of BCCI and implement court-approved recommendations of the Justice R M Lodha panel on reforms in the cash-rich cricket body.

Vikram Limaye, Managing Director of Infrastructure Development Finance Company (IDFC), and former Indian women cricket captain Diana Edulji were the other administrators appointed by the Supreme Court.
**Dhanraj Choudhary re-elected as BoD in ITTF, 01 June 2017**

India's Dhanraj Choudhary, who represents Asia in the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF), has been re-elected as a Board of Director (BoD) for another four years along with other continental representatives. Choudhary, who is the former secretary general of the Table Tennis Federation of India (TTFI), will serve his second successive term as BoD at the ITTF.

**Mouma-Manika make history at World TT Championships, 02 June 2017**

Manika Batra and Mouma Das made history by becoming the first Indian pair to reach the quarterfinals of the World Table Tennis Championships.

In the men's singles, top-ranked Indian Sharath Kamal stormed into the round of 32 beating Ukraine’s Kou Lei in straight games.

**Vivo becomes smartphone sponsor for 2018, 2022 FIFA World Cup, 02 June 2017**

Chinese smartphone major Vivo has become the official sponsor for the 2018 and 2022 editions of FIFA World Cup.

Vivo has signed an agreement with International Federation of Association Football (FIFA) to sponsor the FIFA World Cup for six years, covering two tournament cycles.

This means that Vivo will become the official sponsor of the 2018 FIFA World Cups in Russia and 2022 edition in Qatar. It will also sponsor the FIFA Confederations Cup 2017 and FIFA Confederations Cup 2021.

Vivo sponsors the Indian Premier League (cricket) and Pro Kabaddi League (PKL) in India.

**Two-goal Ronaldo keeps Madrid kings of Europe, 03 June 2017**

Cristiano Ronaldo scored twice as Real Madrid crushed Juventus 4-1 in Cardiff to become the first team to retain the European Cup in the Champions League era. Now a four-time Champions League winner, Ronaldo finished as the competition's top scorer for the fifth season running, substantially enhancing his chances of matching eternal rival Lionel Messi's tally of five Ballons d’Or.

**Praneeth wins Thailand Grand Prix Gold title, 04 June 2017**

Indian shuttler B Sai Praneeth lifted his maiden Grand Prix gold title by posting a come-from-behind victory over Indonesian Jonatan Christie in the mens singles final of the USD 1,20,000 Thailand Open. This is Praneeth's second consecutive title win, following the Singapore Open victory.

**Anu Rani Smashes own national record, books Worlds berth, 05 June 2017**

Javelin thrower Anu Rani stole the limelight as she smashed her own national record en route to winning the gold medal on the fourth and final day of the 21st Federation Cup National Senior Athletics Championships.

Rani, representing Uttar Pradesh, threw the spear to a distance of 61.86m to better her own earlier national mark of 60.01m in the last event of the competition at the NIS Patiala. In the process, she also qualified for the World Championships to be held in London in August. The qualifying mark for the World Championships stands at 61.40m.

**Ramkumar wins ITF Futures title in Singapore, 06 June 2017**

Indian player Ramkumar Ramanathan lifted the USD 15,000 ITF men's Futures tennis title after outplaying Raymond Sarmiento of the USA in straight sets.

It was the first title of the season for Ramkumar and 15th of his career.
Manchester United overtakes Real Madrid as most valuable club: Forbes, 07 June 2017

Manchester United have overtaken Real Madrid as the world's most valuable football team, US magazine Forbes announced in its annual global list ranking the sport's wealthiest clubs.

According to Forbes, United generated revenues of $765 million during the 2015-2016 season, $77 million more than both Barcelona and Real Madrid.

Sasikiran wins Capablanca memorial chess, 07 June 2017

Indian Grandmaster Krishnan Sasikiran earned 6.5 points from 10 rounds to become the first Indian to win the 52nd Capablanca Memorial Chess tournament at Varadero, Cuba.

Sasikiran played out a quick draw against Isan Reynaldo Ortiz Suarez of Cuba in the 10th and final round to win the title.

Kohli sole Indian in Forbes list of highest paid athletes, 08 June 2017

Indian cricket captain Virat Kohli is the sole sportsperson from the country to feature among the world's 100 highest paid athletes in the latest Forbes list topped by soccer star Cristiano Ronaldo.

Kohli, has been ranked 89th on the 2017 Forbes list of 'The World's highest paid athletes' with a total pay of USD 22 million that includes USD three million from salary and winnings and another 19 million from endorsements.

Murali first Sri Lankan to be inducted into ICC Hall of Fame, 09 June 2017

Muttiah Muralidaran, the most successful bowler in Tests and One Day Internationals, was inducted into the ICC Cricket Hall of Fame.

The Sri Lankan spin great was honoured during the innings break of the India versus Sri Lanka Champions Trophy match at The Oval.

He became the first player from Sri Lanka and the 83rd overall to be inducted into the Hall of Fame when ICC CEO Dave Richardson presented him with a commemorative framed cap.

Jeje wins AIFF player of year award, 09 June 2017

India and Mohun Bagan striker Jeje Lalpekhlua received the All India Football Federation's inaugural player of the year 2016 award.

Sasmita Malik was adjudged the 2016 AIFF Women's player of the year. Sunil Chettri, India's most prolific goal scorer ever with 53 goals from 93 matches, received a Special Award for surpassing the milestone over the last year.

French Open mixed doubles: Rohan Bopanna clinches maiden Grand Slam title, 09 June 2017

India's Rohan Bopanna and Canada's Gabriela Dabrowski won the mixed doubles title at the French Open after beating Anna-Lena Groenefeld of Germany and Robert Farah of Colombia in the final in Paris. With this win, Bopanna became the fourth Indian — after Leander Paes, Mahesh Bhupathi and Sania Mirza — to lift a Grand Slam trophy.

Vietnam to host part of AFC U-23 Championship qualification, 10 June 2017

Vietnam will host Group I of the 2018 Asian Football Confederation (AFC) Under-23 Championship qualification in July.

Forty teams will compete at the AFC U-23 Championship qualification. Sixteen squads will qualify to play in the final tournament, including China who have qualified automatically as hosts.

Owner of share will get benefit by selling of shares in stock market.
**Stan Wawrinka oldest French Open finalist in 44 years, 10 June 2017**

Switzerland’s tennis player Stanislas Wawrinka has become the oldest player to reach the French Open men's singles' final in 44 years.

He is the oldest player to reach the finals on Roland Garros after Nicky Gallich. Niki made the final in 1973 at the age of 33.

**Nadal wins record-breaking 10th French Open, 11 June 2017**

Rafael Nadal coasted to a record 10th French Open title, demolishing Stan Wawrinka in a brutally one-sided final which also earned the Spaniard a 15th Grand Slam crown.

His collection of Slams now stands just three behind great rival Roger Federer, a staggering statistic coming just a year after he quit Roland Garros with a wrist injury.

Playing in his 22nd Grand Slam final, Nadal triumphed in Paris without dropping a set for a third time. It was the 22nd Slam finale for Nadal; just the fourth for Wawrinka, the oldest man in the championship match in 44 years.

**Laimwon Nazary breaks 25-year-old junior high jump record, 12 June 2017**

Assam’s Laimwon Nazary broke a 25-year-old girl’s high jump record with a 1.77m effort at the 15th Federation Cup National Junior Athletics Championships.

Jharkhand’s Priyanka Kerketta broke the 15-year-old National record to win the Girls Long Jump event.

**Jitu-Heena pair wins gold in ISSF World Cup, 12 June 2017**

India’s Jitu Rai and Heena Sidhu combined to clinch the gold medal in mixed team 10m air pistol event of the ISSF World Cup, beating Russia in the final.

France beat Iran by an identical score to win the bronze in the event.

Although the mixed team events are not being considered for the medal tally at the World Cup stage this year, they have been approved as medal events for the Tokyo 2020 Olympics.

China has been leading the medal tally at Gabala with six medals, including three gold.

**Rafael Nadal rises to No 2, Jelena Ostapenko soars to 12th after title wins, 13 June 2017**

French Open champion Rafael Nadal moved up two spots to No 2 in the ATP rankings, his highest placing since October 2014.

Novak Djokovic, meanwhile, slid from No 2 to No 4 in the new rankings, his lowest status in 7½ years.

Spain's Rafael Nadal bites the trophy as he celebrates winning his tenth French Open title against Switzerland's Stan Wawrinka at the Roland Garros stadium, in Paris, France. Andy Murray retained his No 1, while Stan Wawrinka stayed at No. 3.

Roger Federer is still No 5.

**Kohli reclaims top spot in ICC ODI rankings for batsmen, 14 June 2017**

India captain Virat Kohli reclaimed the top spot in the latest ICC ODI rankings for batsmen following the conclusion of the last round of league matches in the Champions Trophy.

Kohli had entered the tournament 22 points behind number-one ranked AB de Villiers of South Africa, who had been No.1 since 25 February this year, and 19 points behind Australia's David Warner.

But with brilliant knocks Kohli leapfrogged de Villiers and Warner into the number one spot.

Fast bowler Bhuvneshwar Kumar has led the charge of India's bowlers by vaulting 13 places to share 23rd spot with Afghanistan's Hamza Hotak.

However, Indian spinners have slipped in the latest rankings with Ravichandran Ashwin dropping two places to 20th and Ravindra Jadeja falling three places to 29th.
Mira Erda becomes first female Indian driver to race in Euro JK series, 15 June 2017

Vadodara’s young racer Mira Erda will become the first Indian female driver to compete in one of the highest classes of Formula Racing in the country after signing up for the Euro JK series in the upcoming JK Tyre-FMSCI National Racing Championship. By signing up at just 17 for JK Euro, which features the BMW FB02 car, she will be among the youngest Indian drivers to race at this level.

Kohli becomes quickest cricketer to score 8000 ODI runs, 16 June 2017

Indian captain Virat Kohli became the fastest cricketer to score 8000 runs in ODIs during his unbeaten knock of 96 against Bangladesh in the semifinals of the Champions Trophy.

Kohli reached to the 8000-run mark in his 175th innings to go ahead of South African captain A B de Villiers who had taken 182 innings to reach to the milestone. Sourav Ganguly (200 innings) and Sachin Tendulkar (210 innings) are now third and fourth in the list.

Indian wrestlers bag five medals in Asian Jr Championships, 17 June 2017

India bagged five medals, including a gold in the 2017 Asian Junior Wrestling Championships in Taiwan. India’s gold came in the women’s 51kg freestyle category through Puja. Besides Puja, Sonu clinched a silver medal in the 44kg category while Manu claimed a bronze in the 59kg division. Satish won a silver in the 120kg Greco-Roman style while Manish claimed a bronze in the 50kg category.

Pakistan sink India to lift maiden Champions Trophy, 18 June 2017

An inspired Pakistan hammered a blundering India by 180 runs to lift the ICC Champions Trophy.

This is Pakistan’s first ICC title triumph since their 2009 World Twenty20 win but more importantly it broke the jinx of not performing against India in big ticket matches.

The victory was achieved by one of the most de-glamorous outfit under one of the most unassuming captains in the history of Pakistan cricket Sarfraz and he deserved it more than anyone else for showing the composure one expects from model captains.

Srikanth defeats Sakai to win Indonesia Open title, 18 June 2017

Indian shuttler Kidambi Srikanth came out with a spectacular performance as he defeated unseeded Kazumasa Sakai of Japan in straight games to win the men’s singles title of the Indonesia Super Series Premier badminton tournament.

The next tournament of T20 world cup will be held in the year 2020, 18 June 2017

Preparations for cancellation of the seventh edition of the World Twenty20 Championship are almost complete and this can be organized in 2020 because in 2018 most of the top members are engaged in bilateral commitments.

According to the top sources of the International Cricket Council (ICC), the next tournament of the ICC Twenty20 will be held in 2020 but the venue for this has not been decided yet. So far South Africa: 2007:, England: 2009:, West Indies: 2010: Sri Lanka: 2012: Bangladesh: 2014: and India: 2016: VTT tournament can be organized.

Pouille wins first grass-court tennis title at Stuttgart Open, 19 June 2017

French tennis player Lucas Pouille claimed his first grass-court title at the Stuttgart Open after beating Spaniard Feliciano Lopez. The 23-year-old Pouille defeated the world no. 33 Spanish rival.

With this victory, the Frenchman won his third title throughout his career and the second this season after winning the inaugural Gazprom Hungarian Open on clay in April.

NEFT stands for National Electronic Funds Transfer.
1. NASA names bacterium found on ISS after APJ Abdul Kalam.

A team of scientists at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) on 21 May 2017 named a new organism after A P J Abdul Kalam, a former President of India.

The new organism is a bacterium, which has been found only on the International Space Station (ISS) and has not been found on Earth.

The bacterium has been named as Solibacillus kalamii to honour the late president, who was also an aerospace scientist.

Though S. kalamii has not yet been found on Earth, it is not an extraterrestrial lifeform.

2. China launches satellite navigation positioning system.

China launched a national satellite navigation and positioning system which will provide positioning service to transportation, emergency medical rescue and city planning and management.

It is the largest in the country and boasts the widest coverage. The system consists of 2,700 base stations, a national database centre and 30 provincial level database centres.

The system, featuring faster speed, higher accuracy and wider coverage, will be compatible with other satellite navigation systems, such as the BeiDou Navigation Satellite System and Global Position System (GPS).

Wang Li, chairman of China Satellite Navigation System Committee, China’s GPS is expected to be ready by 2020 with constellation of satellites.

3. India successfully test fires Quick Reaction Surface to Air Missile.

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The country’s first indigenously built Scorpene-class submarine Kalvari has conducted successful test-fire of a torpedo.

The submarine is being built by the Mazagaon Docks Limited (MDL) at Mumbai. As part of the project, MDL will build a total of six submarines.

4. NASA to launch mission to metal asteroid one year early, 26 May 2017

NASA has announced that it will launch its robotic spacecraft to a unique metal asteroid Psyche in 2022 - a year ahead of the original schedule.

The mission will now take a more efficient trajectory to arrive at the main belt asteroid in 2026, four years earlier than planned.

Psyche, an asteroid orbiting the Sun between Mars and Jupiter, is made almost entirely of nickel-iron metal. It offers a unique look into the violent collisions that created Earth and the terrestrial planets.

The Psyche spacecraft is being built by Space Systems Loral (SSL) in the US.
Scientists from Instituto de Astrofísica de Canarias (IAC) in Canary Islands found that the planet, with a mass between two and three times the Earth, resides at the edge of the habitable zone of its host star GJ625 (Gliese 625).

This planet is particularly interesting because of its proximity. It is only 21 light years away, and is one of the least massive known "Super-Earths".

**Japan launches satellite for high-precision positioning system, 01 June 2017**

Japan launched a satellite to help build a high-precision geolocation system that will complement the US-operated GPS.

A H-IIA rocket blasted off at 9:17am (0017 GMT) from the Tanegashima space centre in southern Japan carrying the "Michibiki" No.2 satellite, footage by Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency showed.

Satellite geolocation systems, initially designed for the US military, now power countless civilian applications, from car navigation to internet browsing on mobile phones.

Japan aims to build its version with four satellites focusing on the country and wider region.

The first satellite was put into orbit in 2010 and the third and fourth are to be launched by March 2018 to start the service.

The Michibiki system can cover the Asia-Oceania region and works with the US-operated Global Positioning System (GPS). Michibiki, meaning guidance in Japanese, is intended for civilian use, with a claimed positioning accuracy down to mere centimetres (inches).

Though GPS is widely used in Japan, having supplementary satellites is important in a country where mountainous terrain and high buildings may interfere with GPS signals.

Japan aims to establish a constellation of seven satellites by around 2023.

**NASA orbiter discovers frost on Moon, 02 June 2017**

Scientists using data from NASA’s lunar orbiter have identified bright areas in craters near the Moon’s south pole that are cold enough to have frost present on the surface.

The new evidence comes from an analysis that combined surface temperatures with information about how much light is reflected off the Moon’s surface.

The icy deposits appear to be patchy and thin, and it is possible that they are mixed in with the surface layer of soil, dust and small rocks called the regolith.

**India successfully test fires Quick Reaction Surface to Air Missile, 05 June 2017**

India successfully test fired Quick Reaction Surface to Air Missile (QR-SAM) from the launch pad-3 of Chandipur in Odisha. The missile’s strike range is 20 to 30 kms. It is also capable of hitting multiple targets. The missile is an all-weather weapon system capable of tracking and firing. This comes two day after indigenous nuclear-capable Prithvi-II missile was test-fired from the same place. The surface-to-surface medium range ballistic Prithvi-II missile was test fired from a mobile launcher from launch complex-3 of ITR. It was part of the regular training exercise by the Indian armed forces.

Prithvi-II missile has the capability to carry 500 kg to 1,000 kg of warheads and is thrusted by liquid propulsion twin engines. Armed forces had inducted the missile in 2003. This missile is first to be developed by the DRDO under the Integrated Guided Missile Development Programme.

**ISRO Successfully Launches GSAT-19 Using Its Heaviest Rocket GSLV-MkIII D1, 06 June 2017**

ISRO created history by successfully launching its heaviest and most powerful rocket GSLV-MkIII D1 carrying the modern communications satellite GSAT-19.

The country’s heaviest rocket the Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle (GSLV) MarkIII D1 carrying communication satellite GSAT-19 lifted off from Sriharikota and was soon put in orbit successfully.

GSLV MkIII-D1 is capable of lifting payloads (or satellites) of upto 4,000kgs into the Geosynchronous Transfer Orbit (GTO) and 10,000kg into the Low Earth Orbit. Earlier, ISRO had launched the 3,404 kg GSAT-18 communication satellite from Ariane, French Guiana. The GSLV-Mk III-D1 is a three-stage vehicle with indigenous cryogenic upper stage engine designed to carry heavier communication satellites into the GTO.

This mission augmented India’s communication resources as a single GSAT-19 satellite is equivalent to having a constellation of six to seven of the older variety of communication satellites.

Non-bank ATM operators are authorized under Payment & Settlement Systems Act, 2007.
Hottest planet in universe discovered, and it's just a few degrees cooler than sun, 06 June 2017

Scientists have discovered the hottest known planet located 650 light years from Earth, which is warmer than most stars in the universe and sports a giant, glowing gas tail like a comet.

The Jupiter-like planet orbits a massive star KELT-9 every day and a half.

How hot is KELT-9?

With a day-side temperature peaking at 4,326 degree Celsius the newly discovered exoplanet, designated KELT-9b, is hotter than most stars and only 926 degree Celsius cooler than our Sun.

The ultraviolet radiation from the star it orbits is so brutal that the planet may be evaporating away under the intense glare, producing a glowing gas tail. It would be fair to say that this planet is hotter than at least 80 percent of all known stars, which is just mind-blowing.

The gas giant 2.8 times more massive than Jupiter but only half as dense, because the extreme radiation from its host star has caused its atmosphere to puff up like a balloon.

Indian-American among 12 new astronauts chosen by NASA, 08 June 2017

NASA announced names of 12 new astronauts, including an Indian-American Lt Col Raja Grinder Chari. They, the new astronauts, were chosen from a record number of over 18000 applicants.

Now, these selected candidates will be trained for missions into Earth orbit and to deep space. They will be trained for two years at Johnson Space Center in Houston. The training will begin in 2012.

After completion of the training, they will be assigned to any of a variety of missions, including performing research on the International Space Station, launching from American soil on spacecraft built by commercial companies, and departing for deep space missions on NASA's new Orion spacecraft and Space Launch System rocket.

2D magnets discovered for first time, 11 June 2017

Scientists have for the first time discovered two-dimensional magnets that are formed by a single layer of atoms and may pave the way for more compact and efficient devices. Magnetic materials form the basis of technologies that play increasingly pivotal roles in our lives, including sensing and hard-disk data storage.

For smaller and faster devices, researchers are seeking new magnetic materials that are more compact, more efficient and can be controlled using precise, reliable methods.

China launches drone swarm of 119 fixed-wing unmanned aerial vehicles, 12 June 2017

China has launched a record-breaking swarm of 119 fixed-wing unmanned aerial vehicles. The feat broke the previous record of a swarm of 67 drones, the China Electronics Technology Group Corporation (CETC) said.

The 119 drones performed catapult-assisted take-offs and formations in the sky. According to the CETC, "swarm intelligence" is regarded as the core of artificial intelligence of unmanned systems and the future of intelligent unmanned systems.

DRDO successfully test fires Nag missile, 14 June 2017

The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) successfully test fired anti-tank missile Nag in a desert in the western sector of Rajasthan.

The "fire and forget" third generation anti-tank guided missile Nag is equipped with the highly advanced Imaging Infared Radar (IRR) seeker with integrated avionics, technology which is possessed by very few nations.

China launches 1st X-ray space telescope, 15 June 2017

China successfully launched its first X-ray space telescope to help scientists study the evolution of black holes, strong magnetic fields and gamma-ray bursts.

The 2.5-tonne Hard X-ray Modulation Telescope (HXMT), dubbed 'Insight', via a long March-4B rocket from Jiuquan Satellite Launch Center in northwest China's Gobi Desert, was launched into an orbit of 550 kilometres above the earth.

'Insight' can be regarded as a small observatory in space, as it carries a trio of detectors, that cover a broad energy band from 1 keV to 250 keV.
Two Indian cities Mumbai and Kota have been named among the world's most crowded in a list topped by Dhaka, said World Economic Forum (WEF) citing UN Habitat data.

With a population density of 44,500 people per square kilometre, Dhaka, the capital of Bangladesh, is the most crowded city on the planet, followed by India's financial capital Mumbai, home to 31,700 people per square kilometre at the second place.

**Taj Mahal ranked third among world's top landmarks, 26 May 2017**

According to Trip Advisor's 2015 Travellers Choice Attractions Awards, Taj Mahal was ranked third in the list of top landmarks. The top two places were taken by Machu Picchu in Peru and Angkor Wat in Cambodia respectively.

The Travellers' Choice Landmarks highlight some of the world's most iconic, must-see attractions that have won over the TripAdvisor community.

Built by Mughal emperor Shah Jahan in memory of his late wife Mumtaz Mahal, the white marble mausoleum in Agra is also a symbol of enduring love.

In 1983, it became a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The Taj Mahal attracts 2-4 million visitors annually, with more than 200,000 from overseas.

**India leads globally in adoption of biometric tech: report, 28 May 2017**

According to HSBC's recent Trust in Technology report, with advancements in the field of biometric technology,

Banking Regulation Act, 1949 was enacted to regulate: Banking companies.
India has topped globally in adoption of biometrics techniques.

The Indian government first launched the Aadhaar Project, a biometrics programme, in 2009, creating the world’s largest biometric data set, said the report.

People in China (40 per cent) are the highest adopters of fingerprint technology, followed by India (31 per cent) and the UAE (25 per cent) among the countries surveyed.

**Microsoft co-founder unveils world's biggest plane, 02 June 2017**

The world’s biggest plane, boasting a 117-metre wingspan, has been launched by the Microsoft co-founder Paul Allen.

The six-engine, dual-hulled Stratolaunch aircraft is designed to launch satellites into orbit. Launching the satellites on rockets while the Stratolaunch is in flight has the advantage of saving fuel comparing to sending them into orbit from a launchpad.

It is designed to carry a rocket and payload with a combined weight of up to 250,000 kg and when in development was expected to cost $300m – although whether it came in on budget has not been revealed.

Satellite networks, based on low-cost spacecraft, are the fastest-growing segment of the global satellite industry which reported more than $208bn in revenue in 2015, according to a Satellite Industry Association report.

The Stratolaunch was built by Scaled Composites and is similar in form and function to Scaled’s aircraft built to ferry spaceships into the air and release them for independent rocket rides beyond the atmosphere, a service Richard Branson’s Virgin Galactic intends to offer to pay passengers.

There are no plans for the Stratolaunch to carry humans for business or research.

The twin-fuselage plane incorporates engines, landing gear, avionics and other parts from a pair of Boeing 747 jets coupled with a frame, wings and skin handmade of lightweight composites. It has 28 wheels.

The plane will be larger than Howard Hughes’ 1947 H-4 Hercules, known as the “Spruce Goose,” and the Antonov An-225, a Soviet-era cargo plane originally built to transport the Buran space shuttle that was the world’s largest aircraft.

**Zebronics ropes in Hrithik Roshan as brand ambassador, 06 June 2017**

Electronics Company Zebronics has roped in Bollywood actor Hrithik Roshan as its brand ambassador.

Apart from the launches and promotions, Roshan would also be involved actively with brand communication across platforms.

**Foodpanda signs up Shah Rukh Khan as brand ambassador, 07 June 2017**

Online food ordering and delivery firm Foodpanda has signed up Shah Rukh Khan as its brand ambassador.

"We feel that this brand association between Foodpanda and Shah Rukh will provide further impetus to our determination to change the way India eats," The companies CEO Saurabh Kochhar said.

**Shah Rukh Khan, Salman Khan, Akshay Kumar Make It to Forbes World’s Highest-Paid Celebrities List, 13 June 2017**

Popular Bollywood actors Shah Rukh Khan, Salman Khan and Akshay Kumar are among the ‘World’s Highest-Paid Celebrities’ list, according to Forbes magazine.

In the list which was released by Forbes magazine, Bollywood superstar Shah Rukh, the top-ranked Indian, has bagged the 65th position with his earnings of $38 million. As mentioned by Forbes, the actor earned $38 million (almost Rs 245 crore) in 2016. He was seen in movies FAN and Dear Zindagi last year.

While Salman (seen in Sultan in 2016) made it to the 71st position with earnings of $37 million, Akshay (had 3 releases Airlift, Rustom, Housefull 3) was on rank 80, with earnings of $35.5 million.

American rapper, singer and songwriter Sean Combs leads the Forbes list with earnings of $130 million, followed by Beyonce Knowles with earnings of $105 million.

**India to have 1.4 bn mobile subscribers by 2022: Report, 15 June 2017**

According to a report by Ericsson Mobility, The overall mobile subscriber base in the country is likely to grow to 1.4 billion by 2022 and nearly one-third of them will be 4G users.
India led the mobile subscribers’ growth globally with highest net addition of over 43 million customers in January-March 2017.

China followed India with net addition of over 24 million mobile subscribers during the three-month period.

India 60th most innovative globally, China at 22nd: Report, 16 June 2017

India has moved up six places to 60th among 130 nations on the Global Innovation Index (GII) 2017, emerging as the top-ranked economy in Central and South Asia. The improvement in India's rankings come after five continuous years of slide even as Switzerland, Sweden, the Netherlands, the US and UK retained their top spots as the most-innovative countries.

The index, co-authored by Cornell University, INSEAD and World Intellectual Property Organisation shows India's rise as an emerging innovation centre in Asia, although the country ranks far behind China which occupied the 22nd spot. Among India’s neighbours, Sri Lanka took the 90th spot whereas Nepal was at 109th. Pakistan came in at 113 followed by Bangladesh at 114.

Filmfare South Awards 2017: R Madhavan wins for Irudhi Suttru, Suriya gets critic's choice award, 19 June 2017

The Filmfare Awards 2017 for South was held in Hyderabad. The show was hosted by AlluSirish, RaginiDwivedi and Vijay Deverakonda.

While the winners of 2017 included popular stars like Samantha Ruth Prabhu, Madhavan, Jr NTR, NivinPauly, Rishab Shetty and Nayanthara – the Critics Choice Award was given to Suriya, DulquerSalmaan, Trisha, Allu Arjun, Rakshit Shetty for their work. Trisha’s most impressive performance was her role as the antagonist in Dhanush-Keerthy Suresh starrer Kodi. Suriya was awarded for his performance in 24, while Allu Arjun was chosen for Sarainodu. Rakshit Shetty, who managed to sweep the awards at the other ceremonies also, got the critics award. DulquerSalmaan was appreciated for his performance in Kali and Kammattipadadam.

Kannada:
Best Film: Thithi
Best Director: Rishab Shetty (Kirik Party)
Best Actor (Male): Ananth Nag (Godhi Banna Sadharana Mykattu)
Best Actor (Female): ShraddhaSrinath (U-Turn)

Malayalam:
Best Film: MaheshintePrathikaram
Best Director: Dileesh Pothen (Maheshinte Prathikaram)
Best Actor (Male): Nivin Pauly (Action Hero Biju)
Best Actor (Female): Nayanthara (Puthiya Niyamam)

Tamil:
Best Film: Joker
Best Director: Sudha K prasad (Irudhi Suttru)
Best Actor (Male): Madhavan (Irudhi Suttru)
Best Actor (Female): Ritika Singh (Irudhi Suttru)

Telugu:
Best Film: Pelli Choopulu
Best Director: Vamsi Paidipally (Oopiri)
Best Actor (Male): Nandamuri Taraka Rama Rao Jr. (Nannaku Prematho)
Best Actor (Female): Samantha Ruth Prabhu (A… Aa)

India becomes 71st country to ratify UN TIR Convention, 20 June 2017

India has become the 71st country to ratify the United Nations TIR Convention that will boost trade and regional integration across South Asia and beyond, fast-tracking the regions potential to become a strategic trade hub. TIR is the global standard for goods customs transit managed and developed by IRU -- the world road transport organisation.

China was the last TIR contracting party who acceded to the Convention on July 6, 2016. TIR will help India to integrate with Myanmar and Thailand as well as Bangladesh, Bhutan and Nepal. It will also enable India to move cargo along the International North-South Transport Corridor via Chabahar port in Iran, to access land-locked Afghanistan and the energy-rich Eurasian region.

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India's GSLV Mk III Successfully launches GSAT-19 Satellite

The first developmental flight (GSLV MkIII-D1) of India's heavy lift launch vehicle GSLV Mk-III was successfully conducted from Satish Dhawan Space Centre SHAR, Sriharikota with the launch of GSAT-19 satellite.

This was the first orbital mission of GSLV MkIII which was mainly intended to evaluate the vehicle performance including that of its fully indigenous cryogenic upper stage during the flight.

Weighing 3136 kg at lift-off, GSAT-19 is the heaviest satellite launched from the Indian soil.

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**TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

**Payload to Geosynchronous Transfer Orbit (GTO):**

GSLV Mk III will be capable of placing the 4 tonne class satellites of the GSAT series into Geosynchronous Transfer Orbits.

**Payload to Low Earth Orbit (LEO):**

The powerful cryogenic stage of GSLV Mk III enables it to place heavy payloads up to 8 tonne into Low Earth Orbits of 600 km altitude.

**Cryogenic Upper Stage : C25**

The C25 is powered by CE-20, India's largest cryogenic engine, designed and developed by the Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre.

**Solid Rocket Boosters : S200**

GSLV Mk III uses two S200 solid rocket boosters to provide the huge amount of thrust required for lift off. The S200 was developed at Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre.

**Core Stage : L110 Liquid Stage**

The L110 liquid stage is powered by two Vikas engines designed and developed at the Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre.

After a twenty five and a half hour smooth countdown, the mission began with the launch of the 640 ton GSLV Mk-III at 5:28 pm IST from the Second Launch Pad as scheduled with the ignition of its two S200 solid strap-on boosters.

Following this, the major phases of the flight occurred as scheduled.

The upper stage of GSLV MkIII vehicle is a new cryogenic stage (C25) indigenously configured, designed and realised by ISRO.

The cryogenic stage used liquid Hydrogen and liquid Oxygen as propellants with a total loading of 28 tons.

The stage is powered by a 20 ton thrust cryogenic engine (CE20) operating on “gas generator cycle”.

The performance of the engine and stage during the mission was as predicted.

About sixteen minutes after lift-off, GSAT-19 satellite was successfully placed in orbit.

Soon after its separation from GSLV, the Master Control Facility (MCF) at Hassan in Karnataka assumed control of the satellite.

GSAT-19 is a high throughput communication satellite.

In the coming days, GSAT-19 orbit will be raised from its present Geosynchronous Transfer Orbit (GTO) to the final circular Geostationary Orbit (GSO) by firing the satellite's Liquid Apogee Motor (LAM) in stages.

During the final phase of this operation, the solar panels and antenna reflectors of the satellite will be deployed.

The satellite will be commissioned into service after its positioning in the designated slot in the GSO following in-orbit testing of its payloads.

Payee have to face the maximum risk in the payment of post-dated Cheque.
Prime Minister Narendra Modi has embarked on a six-day tour of Germany, Spain, Russia and France starting 29 May and ending on 3 June.

**Aim:** Boosting India’s economic and defence engagement and attracting more investment from some of the biggest economies in Europe.

**Germany: 29 May 2017**

Germany is likely to press India for movement on the India-European Union free trade agreement that has been in negotiations since 2007.

India and Germany elevated ties to a strategic partnership in the year 2000 and Berlin has been a key partner in several areas like technology and vocational training.

Germany is India’s largest trade partner in Europe and the seventh largest source of foreign direct investment (FDI) into India since the year 2000.

As a fellow G-4 (or Group of Four) member countries comprising Japan, Brazil and India, both India and Germany are seeking a permanent seat at an expanded UN Security Council.

**Spain: 30 May 2017**

This was the first standalone visit to Spain by an Indian prime minister since then prime minister Rajiv Gandhi visited in 1988.

PM holds talks with President Mariano Rajoy in Madrid.

Seven agreements exchanged between India and Spain

During his opening remarks, the Prime Minister said that today’s talks will go a long way in furthering ties between the two countries.

The Prime Minister said that in an interconnected and interdependent world - Spain and India can work together both for mutual benefit, and for the benefit of the world at large.

He described President Rajoy as a visionary leader.

**Russia: 1 June 2017**

PM Modi headed into the 18th India-Russia Annual Summit in St Petersburg with Russian President Vladimir Putin.

It is the first time the annual summit will be held outside Moscow.

Russia was the first country with which India instituted annual summits in the year 2000.

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A Nepali citizen can also use money transfer facility from India to Nepal under Indo-Nepal remittance facility scheme.
Prime Minister Modi’s 6 days visit to 4 Nations

4. The contract between JSC «Russian Railways» and the Ministry of Railways of the Republic of India on the preparation for the justification for the implementation of the high-speed service at the Nagpur- Secunderabad section

Ambassador Pankaj Saran
Oleg Beloserov
President of Russian Railways

5. Memorandum of cooperation between ALROSA Joint Stock Company (Public Joint Stock Company) and the Council for the Promotion of the Export of Precious Stones and Jewellery of India

Praveen Shankar
Pandya, Chairman, Gem & Jewellery Export Promotion Council (GJEPC)

Mr Sergei Ivanov
President ALROSA

List of MoUs/Agreements signed on the sidelines of the 18th India-Russia Annual Summit

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France: 2 June 2017

PM holds talks with French President Emmanuel Macron in Paris

The Prime Minister, Narendra Modi, met French President Emmanuel Macron in Paris.

Addressing media after the meeting, the Prime Minister thanked President Macron for the warm welcome and congratulated him for the election victory. The Prime Minister spoke of the service to humanity and human values that France-India relations have rendered successfully over the years.

He expressed confidence that relations will go forward even faster.

In this context, the Prime Minister mentioned the International Solar Alliance, and the joint effort of India and France to this cause. The Prime Minister described the Paris Climate agreement as a shared heritage of the whole world, and this generation’s contribution to the hope of future generations of mankind.

He said it is our collective responsibility to save Mother Earth.

Describing the city of Paris as an important part of his political journey, the Prime Minister said India and France had worked shoulder to shoulder for this agreement.

The Prime Minister described protection of environment as an article of faith for Indians, and a centuries old tradition.

He said India is committed to the accord, and even beyond it, India will work and walk together with others to leave a gift for the future generations.

The Prime Minister said both leaders also discussed ways to counter terrorism and radicalization. He said India is in favour of a united progressive European Union.
The HQ of International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) located in Geneva.

### ETYMOLOGY

**Editorial Word**

**CONFISCATE (kôn’fi-skât’)**

**Pronunciation**
con•fis•cate (kŏn′fi-skāt′)

LET us deal with its pronunciation now the first syllable of the word which is pronounced like ‘on’ in gone/moron/John/Fawn/dawn with the emphasis over first letter ‘c’ like kôn. fis should be pronounced like is/vis from vis-à-vis, hence fl. cate sounds like gate/mate/late/date/rate hence skāt’. Hence framing a word (kôn’fi-skāt’).

**Definition**
To seize (private property) for the public treasury, especially as a penalty for wrongdoing.

**Example Sentence**
To seize by authority: The teacher confiscated all the comic books we had in class.

#### NEW AND TRICKY

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**By the Virtue of Polysemy**

(Law): (Government, Politics & Diplomacy) to seize (property), esp for public use and esp by way of a penalty.

**Example Sentence**
(Genric): seized. Eg. His office building was confiscated.

**Example Sentence**
Police confiscated weapons, ammunition and other illegal material.

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**Other Usages**

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Jaswant Singh is the Author of the book ‘India at Risk’.
Capping a two-year-long process, India and Pakistan became full members of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO), a China-dominated security grouping that is increasingly seen as a counterweight to NATO.

India’s membership was strongly pushed by Russia while Pakistan’s entry into the grouping was backed by China.

**Shanghai Cooperation Organisation**

It is an Eurasian political, economic, and security organisation, the creation of which was announced on 15 June 2001 in Shanghai, China by the leaders of China, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan.

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**PM’s bilateral meetings on the sidelines of SCO Summit in Astana**

The Prime Minister, Narendra Modi, held bilateral meetings with the leaders of Kazakhstan, China and Uzbekistan, on the sidelines of the SCO meeting in Astana.

In his meeting with President Nursultan Nazarbayev of Kazakhstan, the Prime Minister congratulated Kazakhstan for membership of the UN Security Council in 2017-18.

President Nazarbayev received the Prime Minister warmly and recalled his earlier visit to Kazakhstan in 2015.

Both leaders reviewed progress on decisions and agreements made during that visit.

Kazakhstan is currently the largest supplier of uranium to India, and both sides agreed to maintain the partnership.

Cooperation in this area of hydrocarbons was also discussed.

The Prime Minister invited Kazakhstan to become a member of the International Solar Alliance.

Both leaders also discussed the importance of enhancing connectivity.

In this context, connectivity through the Chabahar port in Iran was also discussed.

Two flights connecting Delhi and Astana will be launched soon.

Prime Minister Modi had a cordial and positive meeting with Chinese President Xi Jinping.

Prime Minister thanked him for his support to India’s accession to the SCO.

Both leaders noted that in a multipolar world, and at a time of global uncertainty, India-China relations are a factor of stability, and it is important for both countries to work together.

Themes such as trade, investment, connectivity, youth and cultural exchanges came up for discussion.

The Prime Minister had a warm and productive meeting with Uzbekistan President Shavkat Mirziyoyev.

Stronger linkages in the spheres of economy, trade and health came up for discussion.
**What is the GST Bill?**
A bill is a draft of a proposed law presented to the Parliament for discussion. Once it is passed by the Parliament, it becomes an act. So GST Bill has now become GST Act.

**Are There Any Changes to the GST Act?**
The Model GST law was first drafted in June 2016 and later revised in November 2016. Lok Sabha has passed the 4 bills with certain amendments. Here is a list of the major changes proposed in GST bill:

**Applicability of GST Law in the State of Jammu and Kashmir**
J&K Finance Minister Haseeb Drabu has confirmed that J&K will apply GST. However, since J&K has a separate constitution and has special provisions regarding legislature, CGST & IGST will be passed separately. SGST will be passed separately, similar to the other states.

**Employer’s Gifts to Employee Will No Longer be Taxed under GST**
Earlier the supply of goods or services between related persons (made during the course of business) was treated as ‘supply’ even when there is no consideration. Employer and Employee were covered in the definition of related person.
So, it stood that any supply of goods or services by employer to his employees (even if free of cost) would have been covered under the scope of GST.
Proposed change to the Act provides that GST will not apply on gifts upto Rs. 50,000 by an employer to a particular employee.
However, gifts above Rs. 50,000 will attract GST.

**GST not Applicable on Sale of Land/Building**
Earlier, the term ‘goods’ included all movable property including actionable claims.
Only money and securities were excluded. “Services” had a vague definition of “anything other than goods”.
Thus, there was an apprehension that the Government may levy GST on supply of immovable property (land/building) apart from levy of Stamp duty.
Now, the government has clearly mentioned in Schedule III that sale of land and/or building will neither be treated as a supply of goods nor a supply of services, i.e., GST will not be applicable on this.
So currently it stands that:

**GST will apply on renting, leasing of land and/or building**
**GST will NOT apply on sale of land/building (Stamp duty will continue to apply)**
**GST will apply on works contract, i.e., constructing a building**
**GST will apply on sale of an under-construction building**

However, there are discussions of bringing in sale of land and/or building under GST within 1 year from GST implementation date.

**Fixing the Upper limits of GST rates- CGST- 20% & IGST- 40%**
Earlier, the upper cap fixed was 14% and 25% respectively in both the laws.
Now, the upper cap has been fixed at 20% and 40% respectively under CGST and IGST Law to keep a flexibility for rates increase in future.
However, the GST slabs remain the same – 5%, 12%, 18% and 28%.

**Petroleum Products Will Come under GST**
The petroleum products (crude oil, high speed diesel, petrol, natural gas and aviation turbine fuel/ATF) have now been brought under GST.
This will be highly beneficial to Indian businesses as businesses now can take input credit on petrol products purchased.
Many industries like the plastic and chemical industries have petroleum products as inputs for manufacture.
Besides, machinery, vehicles use petrol/ATF to run.
Availability of input credit will help to reduce prices of goods.

**Unregistered Seller and registered Buyer – GST is Applicable on Reverse Charge Basis**
An unregistered supplier cannot charge GST on sales.
The Model law did not mention the tax treatment if an unregistered dealer sold to a registered buyer.
The Act now provides that when a registered buyer buys from an unregistered dealer, then reverse charge is applicable, i.e. the buyer (recipient of goods/services) is liable to pay GST.
This is similar to the current purchase tax on purchase of goods from an unregistered dealer applicable in many states.

**No Permission Required for Composition Scheme**
Now a taxpayer, whose turnover was less than 50 lakhs in the last financial year, can OPT to pay under composition scheme. He does not have wait for the permission of the proper officer. He can directly register himself under composition scheme.
Change in Conditions for Disallowing ITC

According to the earlier provisions of GST Law, if the recipient/buyer failed to pay the service provider within 3 months, then the input credit tax (ITC) availed by the buyer would be disallowed.

He would be required to pay the amount of ITC availed along with interest.

This was only for services. There were no provisions of re-allowing the ITC if the buyer paid after 3 months.

Now, in the amended act, this provision includes goods also.

Further, the time period for payment is extended to 180 days instead of 3 months before ITC is disallowed.

Now, if payment is made even after 180 days then the ITC will be re-allowed.

Credit of Rent-a-cab, Life Insurance and Health Insurance Allowed if used Against Sale of Same Category

Earlier rent-a-cab, life insurance, and health insurance businesses were not eligible to take input tax credit.

Only those services, as notified by the government, which are mandated to be provided to an employee by the employer will enjoy input tax credit.

Non-Applicability of GST on Actionable Claims

The Model GST law included “Actionable claims” in the definition of “Goods”, i.e., GST would apply on actionable claims.

The Lok Sabha amendments to the GST act in Schedule III clarify that actionable claims, other than lottery, betting and gambling will neither be treated as a supply of goods and not as a supply of services.

Thus, GST will be applicable on lottery, betting, gambling but not on other actionable claims.

‘Actionable Claims’ means claims which can be enforced only by a legal action or a suit, example a book debt, bill of exchange, promissory note.

A book debt (debtor) is not goods because it can be transferred as per Transfer of Property Act but cannot be sold.

Bill of exchange, promissory note can be transferred under Negotiable Instruments Act by delivery or endorsement but cannot be sold.

Conclusion

These changes show that the government is trying its best to make GST litigation free.
Q1. Recently which country has signed the OECD multilateral convention that aims to check cross-border tax evasion by multinational companies?
1) India 2) Bangladesh 3) Pakistan 4) Myanmar 5) Bhutan

Q2. What is the rank of Virat Kohli in the 2017 Forbes list of 'The World's highest paid athletes'?
1) 99 2) 89 3) 79 4) 69 5) 59

Q3. Who among the following has been appointed as the new FBI Director by US president Donald Trump?
1) Mike Pence 2) Jeff Sessions 3) Christopher Wray 4) Seema Verma 5) Anjali Thakaral

Q4. Ranjith Kally who died recently was a famous-
1) Socialist 2) Author 3) Journalist 4) Photographer 5) Actor

Q5. Prominent telecom engineer and policy maker Sam Pitroda resigned as the technical advisor to the government.
1) Tamil Nadu 2) Sikkim 3) Bihar 4) Himachal Pradesh 5) Odisha

Q6. Name the Director General of Bureau of Indian Standards?
1) Alka Panda 2) T.S. Vijayan 3) Ajay Tyagi 4) Sandeep Jajodia 5) Anil Dhasmana

Q7. The Reserve Bank of India marginally lowered the economic growth forecast for the current fiscal to-
1) 7.1% 2) 7.2% 3) 7.3% 4) 7.4% 5) 7.5%

Q8. IPPB will offer demand deposits such as savings and current accounts upto a balance of-
1) 1 Lakh 2) 5 Lakhs 3) 10 Lakhs 4) 1 Crore 5) No Limit

Q9. Axa Re, who received approval from IRDAI to open branches in India, belongs to which country?
1) Sweden 2) Turkey 3) Germany 4) France 5) Australia

Q10. Recently with whom The Union Cabinet has given its ex-post facto approval to the Agreement on Merchant Shipping?
1) Turkey 2) Germany 3) Spain 4) Russia 5) Cyprus

Q11. What is the value of MSF according to the latest RBI Monetary Policy 2017-18?
1) 6.75% 2) 6.50% 3) 6.25% 4) 6.00% 5) 5.75%

Q12. Who has been elected as Nepal's prime minister for the fourth time?
1) Pushpa Kamal Dahal 2) Bidya Devi Bhandari 3) Susheila Koirala 4) Prashant Tamang 5) Sher Bahadur Deuba

Q13. Which club has been named the world's most valuable football club by Forbes magazine for the first time in five years?
1) Liverpool 2) Barcelona 3) Manchester United 4) Chelsea 5) Ajax

Q14. Who has been appointed Chief Executive Officer of Government e- Marketplace (GeM), an online platform for central and state government departments for purchase of goods and services?
1) Radha Chauhan 2) Shakuntala Verma 3) Niti Sharma 4) Varsha Chaudhary 5) Akanksha Agrawal

Q15. Recently with whom India signed an agreement to provide USD 318 million as a line of credit to develop the nation's railway sector?
1) Bangladesh 2) Nepal 3) Myanmar 4) Sri Lanka 5) Bhutan

Q16. Online food ordering and delivery firm Foodpanda has signed up which actor as its brand ambassador?
1) Amitabh Bachchan 2) Shah Rukh Khan 3) Sushant Singh Rajput 4) Salman Khan 5) Akshay Kumar

Q17.______ Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare launched the ‘Skill for Life, Save a Life’ initiative to promote skill development in the health sector.
1) Harsh Vardhan 2) Rajiv Pratap Rudy 3) Ram Vilas Paswan 4) Uma Bharti 5) J.P.Nadda

Q18. Name the India's first railway station to be redeveloped in a Public-Private Partnership (PPP) mode?
1) Allahabad 2) Itarsi 3) Habibganj 4) Mughalsarai 5) Saharanpur

Q19. The world’s fastest Elevator, Developed by Hitachi is going to set up in which country?
1) Japan 2) USA 3) India 4) France 5) China
Q20. Who among the following has won Kalinga Literary Awards 2017?
1) Anand Neelakantan
2) Haraprasad Das
3) Paramita Satpathy
4) All of the above
5) None of these

Q21. Recently which of the following satellite launched by ISRO via its GSLV MkIII rocket?
1) GSAT-11
2) GSAT-13
3) GSAT-15
4) GSAT-17
5) GSAT-19

Q22. With whom India has signed a USD 39.2 million (over Rs 251 crore) loan agreement for the Citizen Centric Service Delivery project in Assam?
1) Asian Development Bank
2) African Development Bank
3) World Bank
4) New Development Bank
5) International Monetary Fund

Q23. Ramkumar Ramanathan related to which sport?
1) Tennis
2) Badminton
3) Hockey
4) Table Tennis
5) Snooker

Q24. According to the 2017 Global Retail Development Index (GRDI), what is India's rank in the ease of doing business report?
1) 1
2) 2
3) 3
4) 4
5) 5

Q25. Who has been appointed brand ambassador for the Wildlife Trust of India (WTI)?
1) Deepika Padukone
2) Dia Mirza
3) Priyanka Chopra
4) Vidya Balan
5) Sonam Kapoor

Q26. Which Electronics Company has roped in Bollywood actor Hrithik Roshan as its brand ambassador?
1) HCL
2) Accenture
3) iBall
4) Zebronics
5) Logitech

Q27. In context to national scheme, what does 'L' stands for in the abbreviation "SLNP"?
1) Learning
2) Lighting
3) Literate
4) License
5) Language

Q28. Which company announced the appointment of Satish Borwankar as the new chief operating officer (COO) of the company?
1) Yamaha Motors
2) TVS Motors
3) Bajaj Motors
4) Honda Motors
5) Tata Motors

Q29. Famous actor Roger Smith died. He hailed from which country?
1) Italy
2) France
3) America
4) Britain
5) Australia

Q30. Who has got approval for the merger of Telenor India with the company by Competition Commission of India (CCI)?
1) Bharti Airtel
2) Vodafone India
3) Reliance Jio
4) Idea
5) BSNL

Q31. What does 'R' stands for in the abbreviation "QR-SAM" related to Defence Technology?
1) Reusable
2) Rapid
3) Resonance
4) Repel
5) Response

Q32. What is India's rank in the latest Competitiveness Index by IMD ratings?
1) 30
2) 35
3) 40
4) 45
5) 50

Q33. According to World Bank, what is India's GDP forecast for the year 2017?
1) 6.8%
2) 7.0%
3) 7.2%
4) 7.4%
5) 7.6%

Q34. What is India's Growth rate for the current fiscal by HSBC report?
1) 7.1%
2) 7.2%
3) 7.3%
4) 7.4%
5) 7.5%

Q35. Which country has signed an MoU with China Gezhouba Group Corporation (CGGC) for the development of the much-touted 1,200 MW Budhigandaki Hydroelectric Project?
1) Bangladesh
2) Nepal
3) Pakistan
4) Sri Lanka
5) India

Q36. Anu Rani smashed her own national record en route to winning the gold medal on the fourth and final day of the 21st Federation Cup National Senior Athletics Championships. She is related to which sport?
1) High Jump
2) Athletics
3) Discus Throw
4) Shot Put
5) Javelin Throw

Q37. B Sai Praneeth defeated Indonesian Jonatan Christie to win the Thailand Open men's singles title. He is related to which sport?
1) Tennis
2) Basketball
3) Snooker
4) Badminton
5) Golf

Q38. Who became the first team to retain the European Cup in the Champions League era?
1) Barcelona
2) Chelsea
3) Real Madrid
4) Liverpool
5) Manchester United

Q39. Which district has been selected for the MGNREGA annual award this year?
1) Hapur
2) Vizianagaram
3) Saharanpur
4) Balia
5) Nagpur

Minimum window for T-Bill is 91 days.
The World Environment Day is observed on-
1) 2 June 2) 3 June 3) 4 June 4) 5 June 5) 6 June

Who has been appointed as the CEO of Prasar Bharati based on the recommendation of the three-member committee headed by Vice President?
1) Shashi Shekhar Vempati 2) Ananya Vinay 3) Sudhir Singh 4) Nikhil Kaushik 5) Manan Singhal

Which IIT has developed a wireless technology called ‘AmbuSens’ for remote monitoring of condition of those patients who are ferried in ambulances?
1) IIT Kanpur 2) IIT Kharagpur 3) IIT Delhi 4) IIT Roorkee 5) IIT Bombay

What is India’s rank in the Global Peace Index 2017?
1) 103 2) 121 3) 137 4) 154 5) 181

Indian-origin Minister Leo Varadkar has been elected as the ____ youngest and first openly gay Prime Minister, at the age of 38.
1) Canada 2) Singapore 3) Nepal 4) Ireland 5) Switzerland

Who has been appointed as the new PM of France?
1) Edouard Philip 2) Emmanuel Macron 3) Francois Hollande 4) Bernard Cazeneuve 5) Bill English

Who has been conferred with the first Bhairon Singh Shekhawat Lifetime Achievement Award by President Pranab Mukherjee?
1) Nitish Kumar 2) Pawan Kumar Chamling 3) K Chandrasekhar Rao 4) N Chandrababu Naidu 5) Arvind Kejriwal

With whom India has signed an agreement for setting up of two more Nuclear Plants in Tamil Nadu?
1) France 2) Australia 3) New Zealand 4) Russia 5) Japan

Recently India has successfully test-fired its indigenously developed nuclear-capable _____ missile from a test range in Odisha.
1) Prithvi-I 2) Prithvi-II

According to Bank of America Merrill Lynch (BoFAML), what is India’s GDP growth in the year 2017-18 based on new GDP Series?
1) 8.0 % 2) 7.8 % 3) 7.6 % 4) 7.4 % 5) 7.2 %

Who has been nominated as the chairperson of the Asian Para-Badminton Committee?
1) Anurag Thakur 2) Vinod Rai 3) Himanta Biswa Sarma 4) Ramchandra Guha 5) Shahshank Manohar

Recently which country has withdrawn its interest from the Paris Agreement on Climate Change?
1) America 2) China 3) India 4) France 5) Japan

Who became the official sponsor for the 2018 and 2022 editions of FIFA World Cup?
1) Oppo 2) Microsoft 3) Sony 4) Vivo 5) Lenovo

Union Food Processing Minister Harsimrat Kaur Badal inaugurated the first mega food park in-
1) Tamil Nadu 2) Odisha 3) Assam 4) Himachal Pradesh 5) Bihar

Who set a new national record in the women’s hammer throw with an effort of 65.25m to claim the gold medal at the 21st Federation Cup National Senior Athletics Championships?
1) Swati Sharma 2) Ritu Khatri 3) Sunita Pal 4) Shikha Singh 5) Sarita Singh

RBI collects and publish data related to India’s foreign trade.
Q59. The 2017 World Table Tennis Championships is being held in-
1) Sweden  2) Belgium  3) Germany  4) Australia  5) UK

Q60. The ___ government and the United Kingdom decided to join hands for imparting skill training and technical education to the youths of the state in order to provide them better employment opportunities abroad.
1) Punjab  2) Sikkim  3) West Bengal  4) Bihar  5) Tamil Nadu

Q61. Who has been elected as the next president of UN General Assembly?
1) Antonio Guterres  2) Baan Ki Moon  3) Guy Ryder  4) Margaret Chan  5) Miroslav Lajcak

Q62. Recently with whom India has signed seven agreements, including on cyber security and technical cooperation in civil aviation?
1) Turkey  2) France  3) Spain  4) USA  5) Sweden

Q63. Who has won the 'European Golden Shoe' for a record equalling fourth time?
1) Lionel Messi  2) Paul Pogba  3) Luis Suarez  4) Cristiano Ronaldo  5) David Beckham

Q64. Parvathamma Rajkumar related to which field?
1) Journalism  2) Literature  3) Sports  4) Cinema  5) Politics

Q65. Who has been appointed as the Chairman of country's biggest company Indian Oil Corporation (IOC)?
1) Ashok Gulati  2) Ramchandra Guha  3) Nirupama Rao  4) Balwant Gargi  5) Sanjiv Singh

Q66. Recently who has been appointed public policy fellow to a Washington-based thinktank 'Wilson Centre'?
1) Ashok Gulati  2) Ramchandra Guha  3) Nirupama Rao  4) Balwant Gargi  5) Sanjiv Singh

Q67. Who released a stamp on noted playwright and theatre director late Balwant Gargi?
1) Ashok Gulati  2) Kirron Kher  3) Nirupama Rao  4) Balwant Gargi  5) Sanjiv Singh

Q68. The World Bank will extend a loan of USD 36 million to improve the efficiency of public expenditure management and tax administration in -
1) Himachal Pradesh  2) Assam  3) Madhya Pradesh  4) Arunachal Pradesh  5) Telangana

Q69. What is the payment window for the 'Buy Now, Pay Later' service started by IRCTC recently?
1) 30 Days  2) 28 Days  3) 21 Days  4) 14 Days  5) 7 Days

Q70. Historian_____, appointed by the Supreme Court as one of the four administrators of BCCI, resigned from his post.
1) Ashok Gulati  2) Ramchandra Guha  3) Nirupama Rao  4) Balwant Gargi  5) Sanjiv Singh

Q71. Defence Minister Arun Jaitley inaugurated a grid-connected solar power plant of 16 MW capacity at the Ordinance Factory in-
1) Kanpur  2) Moradabad  3) Dum Dum  4) Itarsi  5) Medak

Q72. Former Union minister Dasari Narayana Rao died recently, he was also a famous-
1) Musician  2) Sports person  3) Filmmaker  4) Journalist  5) Poet

Q73. President Pranab Mukherjee awarded Fujii Takeshi of Japan and Gabriela Nik Ilieva of US with the George Grearson Award for promoting ____ language.
1) Hindi  2) Sanskrit  3) Bengali  4) French  5) German

Q74. Who has been appointed as the chairman of the National Commission for Scheduled Castes?
1) L Murugan  2) Narayan Rao  3) A.V. Girija  4) Ram Shankar Katheria  5) O.P. Prahladka

Q75. Who has been appointed as Chairman-cum-Managing Director of Oriental Insurance Company Limited?
1) L Murugan  2) Narayan Rao  3) A.V. Girija  4) Ram Shankar Katheria  5) O.P. Prahladka

Q76. Who took over as the new Chairman of Export Promotion Council for Handicrafts (EPCH)?
1) L Murugan  2) Narayan Rao  3) A.V. Girija  4) Ram Shankar Katheria  5) O.P. Prahladka

Amitav Ghosh is the Author of the book 'The Shadow Line'.
Q77. Name the first Tamil sports channel of India?
1) ESPN Tamil
2) Star Sports Tamil
3) Ten Sports Tamil
4) Neo Sports Tamil
5) Zee Sports Tamil

Q78. Name the only Indian cricketer to feature in the top 10 of the ICC Players Rankings for ODIs?
1) Virat Kohli
2) R Ashwin
3) Ravindra Jadeja
4) M.S. Dhoni
5) Suresh Raina

Q79. Who is the PM of Spain?
1) Malcolm Turnbull
2) Tabare Vazquez
3) Recep Tayyip Erdogan
4) Mariano Rajoy
5) Fillip Grande

Q80. How many Indians feature in ‘ESPN’s World Fame 100’, a list ranking the world’s 100 most famous athletes?
1) 2
2) 4
3) 6
4) 8
5) 10

Q81. Who among the following will be honoured with the Dadabhai Phalke Academy Award for being an international icon?
1) Sonam Kapoor
2) Deepika Padukone
3) Shabana Azmi
4) Priyanka Chopra
5) Aishwarya Rai Bachchan

Q82. Who has been selected for the Sangeet Natak Akademi Puraskar for the year 2016?
1) Sandeep Jugal
2) Satyabrata Raut
3) Ananth Kumar
4) Vishal Bhawarday
5) Mudit Mathur

Q83. Recently with whom India has signed an agreement that provides for stepping up defence and security ties including in defence production and military training?
1) Belgium
2) Israel
3) Turkey
4) USA
5) Fiji

Q84. Who has overtaken Indian captain Virat Kohli as the fastest to reach 7,000 ODI runs one-day internationals?
1) Ab de Villiers
2) Alastair Cook
3) Hashim Amla
4) David Warner
5) Chris Gayle

Q85. How many medals India has bagged in the recently concluded ‘27th Meeting of Shooting Hopes’, a renowned international competition for future stars, held at Plzen, Czech Republic?
1) 11
2) 13
3) 15
4) 17
5) 19

Q86. According to World Bank, what is India’s GDP growth in FY 2018?
1) 7.1 %
2) 7.2 %
3) 7.3 %
4) 7.4 %
5) 7.5 %

Q87. Who has got into an agreement with Morocco’s ‘Societe Nationale de Radiodiffusion et de Television (SNRT)’ to step up cooperation in the broadcasting sector?
1) Airtel
2) Vodafone
3) Idea
4) Prasar Bharti
5) Aircel

Q88. Tapan Banerjee, who passed away recently related to which sport?
1) Badminton
2) Tennis
3) Table Tennis
4) Football
5) Cricket

Q89. Recently who has been appointed as the new chancellor of Jamia Millia Islamia?
1) Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi
2) Nazma Heptulla
3) Amit Shah
4) Azam Khan
5) Shahnawaz Hussain

Q90. Constantine Mitsotakis who passed away recently was the former PM of which country?
1) Greece
2) Germany
3) Turkey
4) Belgium
5) France

Q91. Which movie has won the Palme d’Or top prize at the Cannes film festival?
1) The Square
2) The Circle
3) The Triangle
4) The Rectangle
5) The Moon

Q92. The country’s first Indigenously built Scorpene-class submarine has conducted successful test-fire of a torpedo.
1) Arihant
2) Kalvari
3) Chakra
4) Shishumar
5) Sindhughosh

Q93. The 75th Monaco Grand Prix 2017 won by-
1) Sebastian Vettel
2) Lewis Hamilton
3) Kimi Raikkonen
4) Daniel Riccardio
5) Max Verstappen

Q94. Recently which country has launched a national satellite navigation and positioning system which will provide positioning service to transportation, emergency medical rescue and city planning and management?
1) Japan
2) China
3) Mongolia
4) USA
5) India

Q95. Recently which company became the most profitable Public Sector Unit (PSU) in India?
1) ONGC
2) NTPC
3) SAIL
4) IOC
5) BHEL
Q96. Premier Futsal League is related to which sport?
1) Cricket 2) Hockey 3) Badminton 4) Squash 5) Football

Q97. Which country has won the Sudirman Cup badminton tournament title for the first time in 14 years?
1) China 2) India 3) South Korea 4) UAE 5) Japan

Q98. With whom India has signed four agreements in the field of maritime security, marine science and technology?
1) Sweden 2) Mauritius 3) Belgium 4) USA 5) New Zealand

Q99. Who has been named as the new CEO of NIIT Technologies?
1) Sudhir Singh 2) Ajay Tyagi 3) U.K. Sinha 4) Madhbi Puri Buch 5) BP Kanungo

Q100. According to data of Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP), which country has emerged as the top source of foreign direct investment (FDI) into India in 2016-17?
1) Sweden 2) Singapore 3) USA 4) Mauritius 5) France

Q101. Former Punjab top cop, who is credited with having played a big role in eliminating terrorism from Punjab, died.
1) Prakash Badal 2) Amarinder Singh 3) Harmanpreet Singh 4) K.P. Gill 5) B.S. Kaur

Q102. Who has been appointed by the US council as a judge to the Cincinnati-based Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals?
1) Priyam Tripathy 2) Amul Thapar 3) Rajan Anandan 4) Syed Hasan Rizvi 5) Rajeev Rishi

Q103. Recently who has been appointed as the new chairman of Internet and Mobile Association of India (IAMAI)?
1) Priyam Tripathy 2) Amul Thapar 3) Rajan Anandan 4) Syed Hasan Rizvi 5) Rajeev Rishi

Q104. India’s first multi-modal electric vehicle project was recently inaugurated in which city?
1) Chennai 2) Bengaluru 3) Pune 4) Surat 5) Nagpur

Q105. Who laid the foundation stone of All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Guwahati to be set up in Assam?
1) Narendra Modi 2) Sarbananda Sonowal 3) Banwarilal Purohit 4) Harsh Vardhan 5) J.P. Nadda

Q106. Who assumed charge of the Chairman of the National Commission for Minorities in New Delhi?
1) Priyam Tripathy 2) Amul Thapar 3) Rajan Anandan 4) Syed Hasan Rizvi 5) Rajeev Rishi

Q107. What does ‘I’ stands for in the abbreviation “DIPP”?
1) Integrated 2) Industrial 3) International 4) Internet 5) Institution

Q108. Who has signed an agreement with Institute of Chemical Technology to build ethanol plants based on indigenous technology?
1) Reliance 2) Aditya Birla Grp 3) L&T 4) Gammon India 5) Tata

Q109. Who is the CEO of SpaceX?
1) Jeff Bezos 2) Mike Pence 3) Elon Musk 4) Jeff Sessions 5) Warren Buffet

Q110. Who is Naval Chief of India?
1) Bipin Rawat 2) B.S. Dhanoa 3) Arup Raha 4) Sunil Lamba 5) J.S. Khehar

Q111. According to a report compiled by fDi Intelligence, which country is the top most greenfield FDI investment destination in the world?
1) India 2) China 3) Japan 4) Pakistan 5) Singapore

Q112. According to TripAdvisor's Travellers Choice Awards (Landmarks), Taj Mahal has been ranked _____ in the list of top landmarks.
1) 1 2) 2 3) 3 4) 4 5) 5

Q113. Name the only Indian company to be named among the top 10 consumer financial services companies in the world?
1) UTI Ltd 2) IDFC Ltd 3) IDBI Ltd 4) ICICI Ltd 5) HDFC Ltd

Q114. What is the tenure of the newly appointed chairman of SME Council?
1) 2 Years 2) 3 years 3) 4 Years 4) 5 Years 5) 6 Years

Q115. Recently who has been elected as the Chairman of International Fertilizer Association (IFA)?
1) Kamal Agarwal 2) Anurag Tripathy 3) Mahesh Kumar Jain 4) Rakesh Kapur 5) Kishore Kharat

New surcharge limit on persons having income above 1 crore is 15%.
Q116. Agriculture Minister Ghulam Nabi Lone Hanjura launched e-plant clinics.
1)J&K  
2)Uttarakhand  
3)Assam  
4)Himachal Pradesh  
5)Tripura

Q117. Who has been appointed as the secretary of the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)?
1)Kamal Agarwal  
2)Anurag Tripathy  
3)Mahesh Kumar Jain  
4)Rakesh Kapur  
5)Kishore Kharat

Q118. What is the length of the recently inaugurated Dholai Sadiya Bridge?
1)7.15 Km  
2)8.15 Km  
3)9.15 Km  
4)10.15 Km  
5)11.15 Km

Q119. Who sworn in as the new President of Ecuador?
1)Rafael Correa  
2)Vladimir Lenin  
3)Duran Bellen  
4)Lenin Moreno  
5)Alfredo Palacio

Q120. Recently who became one of the members of the BWF Athletes' Commission?
1)Sakshi Malik  
2)Jeetu Rai  
3)Sania Nehwal  
4)Jawala Gutta  
5)P.V. Sindhu

Q121. Culture Minister _____ has launched Swachh Bharat app at the National Museum in New Delhi.
1)Jual Oram  
2)Anant Geete  
3)Rakesh Agrawal  
4)Subodh Rai  
5)Mahesh Sharma

Q122. The Union Cabinet has announced the scrapping up of the FIPB. What does 'P' stands for in the abbreviation "FIPB"?
1)Public  
2)Promotion  
3)Project  
4)Policy  
5)Primary

Q123. Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus has been elected as the new Director-General of-
1)WHO  
2)IMF  
3)World Bank  
4)United Nations  
5)ILO

Q124. What is the name of the world's largest aircraft, who has successfully completed a test flight by flying for a total of 180 minutes in Cardington, UK?
1)Hercules 09  
2)Antonov 225  
3)Airbus 380  
4)Airlander 10  
5)Boeing 747

Q125. Which city has been ranked the world's second most densely populated city by the World Economic Forum (WEF)?
1)Delhi  
2)Pune  
3)Mumbai  
4)Lucknow  
5)Chennai

Q126. Who has won the International Cricketer of the Year award at the CEAT Cricket Rating International Awards 2017?
1)R.Ashwin  
2)Virat Kohli  
3)M.S.Dhoni  
4)Ravindra Jadeja  
5)Suresh Raina

Q127. Who will be the next PM of Nepal after the resignation of incumbent PM Pushpa Kamal Dahal?
1)Bidhya Devi Bhandari  
2)Sher Bahadur Deuba  
3)Sushila Karki  
4)Baburam Bhattarai  
5)Sushil Koirala

Q128. Moody's has downgraded the credit ratings of which country for the first time in nearly 30 years?
1) India  
2) Japan  
3) China  
4) Germany  
5) Singapore

Q129. Which of the following bank along with New India Assurance Company Ltd. have signed an agreement to provide security to the cooperative farmers?
1)Axis Bank  
2)ICICI Bank  
3)APEX Bank  
4)HDFC Bank

Q130. The government approved the Noida-Greater Noida Metro Rail project to be built at a cost of-
1)1500Cr  
2)2500 Cr  
3)3500 Cr  
4)4500 Cr  
5)5500 Cr

Q131. Who has been selected for the J C Daniel Award-2016, Kerala Government's highest honour for outstanding contribution to Malayalam cinema?
1)Rajesh Gopinathan  
2)Adoor Gopalkrishnan  
3)Shaktikant Das  
4)N.Narayanan  
5)A.S.Kiran Kumar

Q132. International Day of UN Peacekeepers is observed on-
1)21 May  
2)22 May  
3)23 May  
4)24 May  
5)25 May

Q133. Which bank along with IFFCO has launched co-branded debit card for farmers that has an in-built overdraft facility of Rs 2,500 with one-month interest-free period?
1)Bank of Baroda  
2)SBI  
3)PNB  
4)Dena Bank  
5)Indian Bank

On August 2012, no frills a/c renamed as BSBDA.
Q134. Who will provide Rajasthan USD 500 million loan (about Rs 3,238 crore) in tranches to improve road transport in the state?
1) NDB
2) AIIB
3) ADB
4) World Bank
5) ADB

Q135. Which country has won gold medal in the Team Relay event at the 2nd Asian Youth Athletics Championships 2017?
1) China
2) USA
3) England
4) Pakistan
5) India

Q136. The famous Roger Moore has died recently, he was a famous-
1) Actor
2) Swimmer
3) Politician
4) Journalist
5) Athlete

Q137. Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company, the financial services division of ________ group, has partnered with US-based Mavin as part of its plan to tap rural areas through digital technology.
1) UTI
2) SEBI
3) Murugappa
4) IDFC
5) IRBI

Q138. Recently which state has signed five agreements with Singapore-based companies?
1) Assam
2) Sikkim
3) Madhya Pradesh
4) Bihar
5) Haryana

Q139. Who among the following is the present time chairperson of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI)?
1) Suman Saxena
2) M.S. Sahoo
3) Mukulita Vijaywargiya
4) Navrang Saini
5) Ajay Tyagi

Q140. Which Indian wildlife and environment cartoonist won 2017 WWF International President’s Award?
1) N.A. Naseer
2) Rohit Verma
3) Robin Banerjee
4) Rohan Chakravarty
5) Kalyan Verma

Q141. India’s fastest train "Tejas" was recently flagged off from-
1) Panaji
2) Chennai
3) Mumbai
4) Kanpur
5) New Delhi

Q142. Recently who has been appointed a non-official independent director of Air India?
1) Syed Zafar Islam
2) Saurabh Agrawal
3) Rajeev Rishi
4) Kishore Khatri
5) Sanjeet Mathur

Q143. How many African countries have signed the framework agreement of the International Solar Alliance (ISA) in the presence of Union Finance Minister Arun Jaitley?
1) 12
2) 10
3) 8
4) 6
5) 4

Q144. Which of the following has signed an MOU with Bharathiar University to establish academic collaboration for conduct of research programmes in various fields and also in the field of Education Technology?
1) Indian Army
2) Indian Air Force
3) Indian Navy
4) HRD Ministry
5) CCI

Q145. Which Motor Company named Jim Hackett as chief executive officer?
1) Porsche Motors
2) BMW Motors
3) Audi Motors
4) Ford Motors
5) Fiat Motors

Q146. Under which project, Microsoft India signed an MoU with Telecom Sector Skill Council (TSSC) to drive skill development for the Indian Telecom industry?
1) Satluj
2) Chenab
3) Sangam
4) Ganga
5) Yamuna

Q147. Name the largest Stainless steel producer of the world?
1) China
2) India
3) Japan
4) USA
5) France

Q148. Who among the following has been appointed as the new CFO of Tata Group?
1) Saurbh Agrawal
2) N Chandrasekaran
3) Ratan Tata
4) Ishaaq Hussain
5) Rajesh Gopinathan

Q149. Solibacillus kalamii is the name of a-
1) Worm
2) Fungi
3) Protozoa
4) Virus
5) Bacteria

Q150. Who is the CEO of the newly operational Paytm Bank?
1) Vijay Shekhar Sharma
2) Shinjini Kumar
3) Renuka Shetty
4) Renu Satti
5) Kunal Bahl

Q151. Which of the following team has won the IPL season 10?
1) Rising Pune Supergiant
2) Delhi Daredevils
3) Royal Challengers Bangalore
4) Sunrisers Hyderabad
5) Mumbai Indians

Q152. Who unveiled a 12-feet tall and 25-feet long steel Charkha and inaugurated a heritage Charkha Museum at Palika Bazar Park in Connaught Place?
1) Narendra Modi
2) Rajnath Singh
3) Nitin Gadkari
4) Amit Shah
5) Yogi Aditya Nath

In respect to BSBDA the limit on no. of withdrawals in a month is 3 times.

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Q153. Name the first Indian woman to climb Mount Everest five times?
1) Bachendri Pal
2) Santosh Yadav
3) Anshu Jamsenpa
4) Premlata Agarwal
5) Malavath Purna

Q154. Rome Masters Title 2017 won by-
1) Novak Djokovic
2) Alexander Zverev
3) Andy Murray
4) Rafael Nadal
5) Andre Agasi

Q155. In the IPL 10 Who has bagged the Orange Cap?
1) S Smith
2) Suresh Raina
3) Shikher Dhawan
4) Gautam Gambhir
5) David Warner

Q156. Which country signed a deal worth USD 630 million with India to supply advanced long range air and missile defence systems for four ships of the Indian Navy?
1) Israel
2) Germany
3) Sweden
4) USA
5) France

Q157. Recently which edition of Hero Federation Cup was concluded?
1) 37
2) 38
3) 39
4) 40
5) 41

Q158. Who became the first Indian and the third cricketer in the world to captain in 100 ODIs matches?
1) Harmanpreet Kaur
2) Jhulan Goswami
3) Mithali Raj
4) Sushma Verma
5) Shikha Pandey

Q159. Who became the first India-born woman to be elected as a councillor to a ward in the UK?
1) Seema Verma
2) Pramila Jaipal
3) Kamala Harris
4) Rahana Amee
5) Nikki Haley

Q160. How many Indian luxury goods firms have been included in the "Global Powers of Luxury Goods" report?
1) 10
2) 9
3) 7
4) 5
5) 3

Q161. American President Donald Trump has nominated a top national security adviser, K.T. McFarland to be the country's envoy to-
1) Singapore
2) India
3) Nepal
4) Australia
5) New Zealand

Q162. What is India's rank According to the 'Global Burden of Disease Study' (GBD) on the healthcare index?
1) 144
2) 154
3) 164
4) 174
5) 184

Q163. Who has received TM Forum's 'Digital Service Innovator of the Year Award' 2017?
1) Airtel
2) Vodafone India
3) Reliance Jio
4) Idea
5) Aircel

Q164. Which e-commerce company has topped LinkedIn's list of the top companies to work in India second time in a row in the year 2017?
1) Snapdeal
2) Amazon India
3) Shopclues
4) Flipkart
5) eBay

Q165. Who released a book 'Childhood Nostalgia and Triggering Tales'?
1) Stephen King
2) Tom Wolfe
3) Philip Roth
4) J.K. Rowling
5) Ruskin Bond

Q166. VG Vijayan related to which field?
1) Journalism
2) Cinema
3) Sports
4) Politics
5) Literature

Q167. Who is railway minister of India?
1) Rajnath Singh
2) Suresh Prabhu
3) Nitin Gadkari
4) Prakash Javadekar
5) Arun Jaitly

Q168. Who inaugurred the 'E-text portal' for the students in the state?
1) Nitish Kumar
2) Adityanath Yogi
3) Manohar Lal Khattar
4) Vasundhara Raje
5) Pawan Chamling

Q169. Which country has won the gold medal at the Archery World Cup Stage-1?
1) Croatia
2) Sweden
3) Columbia
4) India
5) New Zealand

Q170. Who has released a two-part book series written by the eminent agricultural scientist Dr. M.S. Swaminathan?
1) Pranab Mukherjee
2) Smriti Irani
3) Arun Jaitley
4) Sushma Swaraj
5) Narendra Modi

Q171. Who has been elected as the mayor of populous Loughton town in the UK?
1) Kamala Harris
2) Philip Abraham
3) Seema Verma
4) Pramila Jaipal
5) Umesh Verma

Q172. ____ News co-founder Roger Ailes died.
1) BBC
2) Times Now
3) CNBC
4) Fox
5) ET Now

In BSBDA total credit in a year is limited to 1 lakh.
Q173. "SIMBEX" is a joint exercise between which countries?
1) India & Singapore  
2) India & Maldives  
3) India & Sri Lanka  
4) India & Bangladesh  
5) India & Nepal

Q174. Which country is on top position in the latest ICC Test Rankings?
1) Australia  
2) South Africa  
3) New Zealand  
4) Pakistan  
5) India

Q175. Recently which country delivers its two M-777, Ultra Light Howitzers to Indian Army?
1) Russia  
2) France  
3) Israel  
4) USA  
5) Australia

Q176. How many Indian activists has won the annual Whitley Awards for their works in the field of animal and bird conservation in India?
1) 1  
2) 2  
3) 3  
4) 4  
5) 5

Q177. Chris Cornell was a famous-
1) Politician  
2) Swimmer  
3) Singer  
4) Journalist  
5) Actor

Q178. Which Domestic airline has been awarded with the 'Best Operational Excellence' Award by Airbus for the second consecutive time at a worldwide level?
1) IndiGo  
2) Air India  
3) Jet Airways  
4) GoAir  
5) Spice Jet

Q179. Recently who has been given the additional charge of the Environment Ministry?
1) Ananth Geete  
2) Piyush Goyal

Q180. Who has made its biggest investment of around Rs. 9000 Cr in One97 by acquiring its 20% stake?
1) JP Morgan Chase  
2) Soft Bank  
3) Morgan Stanley  
4) Citigroup  
5) Barclays Investment Bank

Q181. Who has won the prestigious Dan David prize for his contribution in the field of astronomy?
1) Pt. Jaishankar  
2) Acharya Devvrat  
3) Anil Madhav  
4) Reema Lagoo  
5) Srinivas Kulkarni

Q182. Reema Lagoo was a famous-
1) Scientist  
2) Singer  
3) Actress  
4) Politician  
5) Dancer

Q183. Raneh waterfall, who has been given the Best Holiday Award -2017, situated in which state?
1) Madhya Pradesh  
2) Maharashtra  
3) Kerala  
4) Uttarakhand  
5) Jharkhand

Q184. The government has decided to sign an MoU with Textile Products Quality and Technology Centre (QTEC) to jointly set up and encourage quality compliance activities.
1) Malaysia  
2) Singapore  
3) China  
4) Japan  
5) Indonesia

Q185. ______ of Western Naval Command has successfully conducted trial firing of the 'Medium Range Surface to Air Missile' (MRSAM).
1) INS Arihant  
2) INS Kochi  
3) INS Chakra

Q186. Who has inked a clutch of agreements with Facebook and MobiKwik to popularise the internet and its value added services among customers?
1) BSNL  
2) Airtel  
3) Vodafone India  
4) Idea  
5) Reliance

Q187. Recently with whom India has signed an MoU on cooperation and sharing of intelligence in the area of Customs?
1) Sweden  
2) Tajikistan  
3) Australia  
4) UAE  
5) Israel

Q188. With whom India has given ex-post facto approval to the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on Cooperation in Combating International Terrorism and Transnational Organized Crime?
1) Sweden  
2) Tajikistan  
3) Australia  
4) UAE  
5) Israel

Q189. Anil Madhav Dave related to which field?
1) Journalism  
2) Cultural  
3) Sports  
4) Politics  
5) Literature

Q190. Which Indian-American has won the prestigious National Geographic Bee competition?
1) Mridul Bhatnagar  
2) Unnati Kumar  
3) Rakesh Krishnan  
4) Sudheer Sharma  
5) Pranay Varada

Q191. What is India's rank in this year's "Renewable energy country attractiveness index" released by Ernst & Young (EY)?
1) 1  
2) 2  
3) 3  
4) 4  
5) 5

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**Q192.** According to the UN World Economic Situation and Prospects as of mid-2017 report, what is India's GDP projection in the year 2017?  
1)7.0 % 2)7.1 % 3)7.2 % 4)7.3 % 5)7.4 %

**Q193.** According to "Q1 2017 Knight Frank Prime Global Cities Index", what is Mumbai's rank in the world for the price rise in luxury homes?  
1)24 2)22 3)18 4)14 5)6

**Q194.** Who has been awarded with the Mark Twain Prize for American humour?  
1)Jim Carry 2)Woody Allen 3)David Cross 4)Martin Lawrence 5)David Letterman

**Q195.** Dennis Swamy who passed away recently was a famous-  
1)Athlete 2)Swimmer 3)Boxer 4)Singer 5)Scientist

**Q196.** Recently Operation Clean Money Portal was launched by whom?  
1)Narendra Modi 2)Rajnath Singh 3)Amit Shah 4)Arun Jaitley 5)Suresh Prabhhu

**Q197.** Who scripted history by becoming the first Indian woman to scale the Mount Everest for the fourth time?  
1)Junko Tabei 2)Anshu Jamsenpa 3)Bechendri Pal 4)Santosh Yadav 5)Lydia Bradley

**Q198.** Recently with whom India has signed 5 agreements for cooperation in different areas including agriculture, health and Information Technology?  
1)Palestine 2)Sweden 3)Britain 4)Vietnam 5)Turkey

**Q199.** Who is on the top spot in the Forbes list of Global Game Changers?  

**Q200.** Which institute has successfully created the country's first smart grid project, which will generate power from renewable sources of energy?  
1)IISc 2)IIT 3)IEST 4)IIM 5)IILM

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*RV Gupta committee is related to KCC.*
Q.1-3. Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given below-

Statement: The union cabinet approved a proposal for amending the child labour (prohibition and regulation) Act, 1986 to ban employment of children aged up to 14 in any form of industry.

The questions are based on the information given above and give answers based on the sentences labeled (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E) as given below.

(A) It will be an offence to employ such children not only in factories or industries but also in homes or forms, if their labour is meant to serve any commercial interest.

(B) Amendment would benefit the children who have been working in various industries now and they can concentrate on education.

(C) The Government decision is in line with the convention of the international labour organisation which prohibits any form of child labour until the age of 14.

(D) The cabinet approved another amendment to define children aged 14-18 as ‘adolescents’ and prohibit their employment in mines, explosives industries, chemical and paint industries and other hazardous establishments.

(E) The ministry of labour is likely to introduce the amendment bill in parliament soon.

Q.1. Which of the following can be inferred from the given information?
(1) A  (2) B  (3) C  (4) D  (5) Both A and B

Q.2. Which of the following will be the effect if the Government passes the amendment bill?
(1) B  (2) A  (3) C  (4) D  (5) Both A and C

Q.3. Which among the following is an inspiration of the government to introduce the bill?
(1) B  (2) A  (3) C  (4) D  (5) E

Q.4-5. Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given below-

The dreams of big industrial houses and non-banking finance companies to set up commercial banks are unlikely to materialise.

The questions are based on the information given above and give answers based on the sentences labeled (A), (B), (C) and (D) as given below.

(A) The RBI is against giving banking licences to the corporate sector.

(B) The RBI will consider new licences only after parliament approves the amendment to the banking regulation act.

(C) Many business group- Anil Ambani group, the mahindras, L & T- Which had started queueing up for entry in banking sector last year may have to bury their plan.

(D) The RBI does not have any convincing application from NBFC’s hoping to get banking licence.

Q.4. Which of the statement numbered (A), (B), (C) and (D) can be assumed from the facts/information given in the statement?
(An assumption is something supposed)
(1) A  (2) B  (3) C  (4) D  (5) Both A and B

Q.5. Which of the statement (A), (B), (C) and (D) can be inferred from the facts/information given in the statement, (An inference is something that is not directly stated but can be inferred from the given information)?
(1) A  (2) B  (3) C  (4) D  (5) Both A and C

Q.6 -10. Read the following information carefully and give the answer of the following questions:

Students in some of the corporation school in the city are in a fix. They can not use the toilet when they need to, due to lack of hygiene and poor maintenance. The stench near the primary block in the corporation - run school in Saitapet was unbearable. Going past the toilet block to get to the head-master office is a very difficult task but hundreds of children have little choice. The toilets at another school in West Manbalam were not usable for weeks together because of a sewage block.” I complained to the engineer in the works department (of the corporation) several times but he kept telling us that they did not have funds.” said the headmaster.

Q.6. Which of the following conclusions is True based on the above information?
(1) The toilet arrangements were not good in the government schools.
(2) Mostly toilet of corporation school were very unhygienic.
(3) Neither 1 nor 2 is true.
(4) Both 1 and 2 are true.
(5) None of these.

Q.7. Which of the following ‘inferences ’ is True based on the above information?
(1) Corporation did not have enough funds.
(2) The engineer of the corporation does not want to do work.
(3) There are not any standard of responsibility of corporation schools.
(4) Head master of corporation school are greedy.
(5) None of these.

Q.8. Which of the following 'course of actions' is strong based on the above information?
(1) The principal of corporation school should be suspended.
(2) Engineer of corporation should be punished.
(3) The children of corporation school should be sent for toilet in private school.
(5) None of these

Q.9. Which of the following 'course of action' is strong based on the above information?
(1) Corporation school should be closed.
(2) Students of school should not use toilet.
(3) Corporation should immediately arrange the funds.
(4) Head master should use private funds for reconstruction of school toilet.
(5) Either 3 or 4

Q.10. Which of the following 'course of action' is strong based on the above information?
(1) Head master should sit with students of school in against of corporation.
(2) Head master should inform to corporation head-officers.
(3) Head master should close down the school.
(4) Head master office should be transferred from Saidapet to other side of school.
(5) Either 3 or 4

Q.11-15 Study the given information and answer the following questions:
The following is an illustration of input and rearrangement:
Input: 4096, 4913, 5832, 6859, 9261, 10648
Step I: 10648, 4096, 9261, 4913, 6859, 5832
Step II: 22, 16, 21, 17, 19,18
Step III: V, P, U, Q, S, R
Step IV: D, G, C, H, J, I
Step V: W, T, X, S, Q, R
Step VI: 5, 2, 6, 10, 8, 9
Step VII: 2, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10
Step VII is the last step of the above arrangement.

As per the rules followed in the given steps, answer the questions given below.

Q.11. Which of the following is the third element from the left end in Step VI?
(1) 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
(2) T, X, U, V, W
(3) G, C, F, E, D
(4) 2, 6, 3, 4, 5
(5) None of these

Q.12. How many steps will be required to complete the given input?
(1) 5
(2) 6
(3) 7
(4) 8
(5) 9

Q.13. What is the position of ‘T’ from the left end in Step V?
(1) 2
(2) 1
(3) 4
(4) 5
(5) 3

Q.14. Which element is third to the right of ‘24’ in Step II?
(1) 23
(2) 21
(3) 22
(4) 25
(5) 20

Q.15. Which of the following is step II of the given input?
(1) 25, 12, 24, 14, 23, 22
(2) 15625, 1728, 13824, 2744, 12167, 10648
(3) 25, 12, 14, 24, 23, 22
(4) 15, 12, 24, 14, 23, 22
(5) 20, 25, 12, 24, 14, 23

Q.16-20. Study the following information carefully and answer the question given below-
Eight friend Dewey, Deniyal, Denmark, Denim, Decosta, Dutch, David and Delnaaz are sitting around a circular table and all are facing towards the center but not necessarily in same order. Each of them represents eight different companies viz. Phillips, Lenovo, Sansui, Apollo, Nikon, Aiwa, Uptron and Tata. Dutch sits second to the right of representative of Aiwa. Representative of Nikon is an immediate neighbour of representative of Tata. Denmark and Decosta are immediate neighbours of each-other. Neither Denmark nor Decosta is an immediate neighbour of Deniyal and representative of Tata. Two people sit between representatives of Nikon and Deniyal. David and representative of Uptron are immediate neighbours. Only one person sits between Denmark and representative of Sansui. Delnaaz sits third to the left side of representative of Apollo and is the representative of Tata. Representative of Aiwa sits second to the left of representative of Lenovo. Representative of Philips sits second to the right of Denim who is not the representative of Nikon. Deniyal is not the representative of Uptron. Denmark sits second to the left of Denim.

Q.16. Which of the following combinations of company and their representative are true?

NICL covers the accidental insurance in PMJDY.
(1) Tata-Dewey   (2) Aiwa-Denmark
(3) Sansui-Denim  (4) Both (1) & (2)
(5) None of these

Q.17. Four of the following five are alike in a certain way based on their sitting arrangement and so form a group. Which is the one that does not belong to that group?
(1) Dewey-Aiwa  (2) Delnaaz-Sansui
(3) Decosta-lenovo (4) David-Aiwa
(5) Dutch-Apollo

Q.18. Who among these is the representative of Apollo?
(1) Decosta   (2) Denim
(3) Denmark  (4) Dewey
(5) None of these

Q.19. Which among the following statements is true?
(1) David is the representative of Nikon
(2) Deniyal is the immediate neighbour of the representative of Phillips
(3) The representative of Lenovo sits fourth to the left of the representative of Uptron
(4) Either (2) or (3)
(5) None of these

Q.20. Who among these sits second to the right of Deniyal?
(1) Decosta   (2) Delnaaz
(3) David   (4) Data Inadequate
(5) None of these

Q.21-25. Study the following information to answer the given questions:
Six plays Kabaddi, Hockey, Football, Polo, Wrestling and Cricket are to be staged starting from Monday and ending on Sunday with one of the days being an off day, but not necessarily in the same order. Each of the plays has different time duration : 1 hour, 2 hour, 3 hours, 4 hours, 5 hours and 7 hours, but not necessarily in the same order.
Sunday is not an off day and a Play of 4 hour duration is staged on that day. Kabaddi is staged immediately before Wrestling. There are two plays staged between Cricket which is for 5 hours and Football which is for 2 hours. The off day is after the staging of Wrestling and there are two days between the off day and Kabaddi. Polo which is for 1 hour is not staged on Monday. The play staged immediately before the off day is of 5 hours. Kabaddi is for less than 5 hours.

Q.21. What is the time duration of Play Wrestling ?
(1) 7 hour   (2) 3 hour   (3) 4 hour
(4) 2 hour   (5) 1 hour

Q.22. Which day is the off day ?
(1) Monday   (2) Tuesday
(3) Friday   (4) Wednesday
(5) Cannot be determined

Q.23. Which of the following combinations of Play - Day - Time Duration is correct ?
(1) Wrestling - Wednesday - 2 hours
(2) Kabaddi - Tuesday - 3 hour
(3) Football - Thursday - 4hours
(4) Cricket - Tuesday - 3 hours
(5) None is correct

Q.24. On which day is Play Polo played ?
(1) Wednesday  (2) Saturday
(3) Thursday   (4) Friday
(5) Can not be determined

Q.25. How many plays are staged before the off day ?
(1) 2    (2) 1    (3) 5
(4) 3    (5) None of these

Q.26-30. Study the information carefully and answer the following questions given below:
In an ATM queue Mohit is 27th from back side and Aryan is 16th from front of the queue at 10 : 15 am. Three people got money from ATM and left the queue at 10 : 35 am. Babu is exactly mid of Mohit and Aryan. At 10 : 15 am there was 7 people between Mohit and Babu but at 10 : 25 three of them left who were between Mohit and Babu. 6 poeple left till 10 : 25 am from people between Mohit and Aryan but Babu is not one of them.

Q.26. At 10 : 25 am what was total number of candidates in the queue?
(1) 49   (2) 52
(3) 58   (4) Can’t be determined
(5) None of these

Q.27. At 10 : 25 am what is position of Mohit from front?
(1) 25   (2) 26
(3) 27   (4) Can’t be determined
(5) None of these

Q.28. At 10 : 15 am what was total number of candidates in the queue?
(1) 58   (2) 52
(3) 59   (4) Can’t be determined
(5) None of these

Q.29. At 10 : 15 am what is position of Aryan from Bottom?
(1) 16   (2) 42
(3) 43   (4) Can’t be determined
(5) None of these

To avail personal accident insurance, the period for usage of Rupay card is 90 days.
Q.30. At 10 : 35 am what was total number of candidates in the queue?
   (1) 52  (2) 58  (3) 59
   (4) 148  (5) None of these

Q.31-35. Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given below-
Following are the conditions for selecting Senior Manager-Credit in a bank. The candidate must-
(I) be a graduate in any discipline with atleast 70% marks.
(II) have post-graduate degree with atleast 68% marks.
(III) be atleast 30 years and not more than 40 years as on 01.04.2010.
(IV) have secured atleast 50% marks in group discussion and 45% marks in interview.
(V) have work experience of atleast 12 years in the Advances section of a bank.

In the case of a candidate who satisfies all other conditions EXCEPT -
(1) at (I) above, but has secured atleast 60% marks in graduation and atleast 75% marks in P.G in any discipline, the case is to be referred to the GM (General Manager - Advance)
(2) at (II) above, but has secured atleast 58% in P.G. and has 5 years work experience in advanced section of a bank, out of which atleast 3 years as Manager-Credit in a bank, the case is to be referred to the ED (Executive director.)

In each question below is given details of one candidate. You have to take one of the following courses of actions based on the information provided and the conditions and sub-conditions given above and mark your answer accordingly. You are not to assume anything other than information provided in each questions. All these cases are given to you as on 01.04.2010

Q.31. Surabhi Singh has secured 50% marks in the interview and 50% marks in the Group Discussion. She has been working for the past 8 years in the Advance selection of a bank. She has completed graduation with atleast 60% marks and PG with atleast 50% marks. She was born on 12th September, 1978.
   (1) If case is to be referred to the ED.
   (2) If case is to be referred to the GM.
   (3) If the data are inadequate to take a decision.
   (4) If the candidate is not to be selected.
   (5) If the candidate is to be selected.

Q.32. Rahul Mehta was born on 8th March, 1974. He has been working in a bank for the past 12 years after completing his B.Com degree with 75% marks. He has completed PG with 70% marks. He has secured 45% marks in Interview and 55% marks in the Group Discussion.
   (1) If case is to be referred to the ED.
   (2) If case is to be referred to the GM.
   (3) If the data are inadequate to take a decision.
   (4) If the candidate is not to be selected.
   (5) If the candidate is to be selected.

Q.33. Prem Lal was born on 4th August, 1977. He has secured 60% marks in PG and 75% marks in graduation. He has 16 years working experience in advance section of a bank, out of which 5 years as Manager-Credit in a bank. He has secured 58% marks in Interview as well as in GD.
   (1) If case is to be referred to the ED.
   (2) If case is to be referred to the GM.
   (3) If the data are inadequate to take a decision.
   (4) If the candidate is not to be selected.
   (5) If the candidate is to be selected.

Q.34. Sudha has been working in the Advance Department of a bank for the past 15 years after completing her B.A degree with 70% marks. She has secured 50% marks in Interview as well as in G.D. She was born on 15 February, 1972.
   (1) If case is to be referred to the ED.
   (2) If case is to be referred to the GM.
   (3) If the data are inadequate to take a decision.
   (4) If the candidate is not to be selected.
   (5) If the candidate is to be selected.

Q.35. Amit Raj Pandey was born on 8th March, 1973. He has completed graduation with atleast 75% marks and PG with atleast 70% marks. He has secured 45% marks in Interview and 52% marks in G.D. He has 12 years working experience in Advance Section of Bank.
   (1) If case is to be referred to the ED.
   (2) If case is to be referred to the GM.
   (3) If the data are inadequate to take a decision.
   (4) If the candidate is not to be selected.
   (5) If the candidate is to be selected.

Q.36. In each of the following question 3 statement is followed by 5 conclusion you have to decide which of the following conclusion is definitely false?

   Statements:
   No K is T                Some T are not U
   All U are W

   Conclusions :
   (1) Some T are not W (2) Some U are not T
(3) Some W are not T  (4) All W can be T
(5) All T can be U
(1) Only conclusion definitely 1 does not follow
(2) Only conclusion definitely 2 does not follow
(3) Only conclusion definitely 3 does not follow
(4) Only conclusion 4 definitely does not follow
(5) Only conclusion 5 definitely does not follow

Q.37. In each of the following question 3 statement is followed by 5 conclusion you have to decide which of the following conclusion is definitely false?

Statements : Some W are Z. All Z are Y.
No P is Z.

Conclusions :
(1) All P are Y  (2) All W can be Z
(3) All Z are not P  (4) All Y can be P
(5) All P can be Y
(1) Only conclusion definitely 1 does not follow
(2) Only conclusion definitely 2 does not follow
(3) Only conclusion definitely 3 does not follow
(4) Only conclusion 4 definitely does not follow
(5) Only conclusion 5 definitely does not follow

Q.38. In each of the following question 3 statement is followed by 5 conclusion you have to decide which of the following conclusion is definitely false?

Statements : Some W are Z. All Z are Y.
No P is Z.

Conclusions :
(1) Some W are not Z  (2) Some Y can be P
(3) Some W are not Y  (4) Some P are not Z
(5) All W can be P
(1) Only conclusion definitely 1 does not follow
(2) Only conclusion definitely 2 does not follow
(3) Only conclusion definitely 3 does not follow
(4) Only conclusion 4 definitely does not follow
(5) Only conclusion 5 definitely does not follow

Q.39. In each of the following question 3 statement is followed by 5 conclusion you have to decide which of the following conclusion is definitely false?

Statement :
All J are K. All J are M.
Some J are not T

Conclusions :
(1) Some T are not J  (2) All T can be J
(3) Some K are not T is a possibility
(4) All M can be K
(5) All T can be K
(1) Only conclusion definitely 1 does not follow
(2) Only conclusion definitely 2 does not follow
(3) Only conclusion definitely 3 does not follow
(4) Only conclusion 4 definitely does not follow
(5) Only conclusion 5 definitely does not follow

Q.40. In each of the following question 3 statement is followed by 5 conclusion you have to decide which of the following conclusion is definitely false?

Statement :
All J are K. All J are M.
Some J are not T

Conclusions :
(1) Some M are not T  (2) Some M are K
(3) Some J can be K  (4) All K can be J
(5) All T can be M
(1) Only conclusion definitely 1 does not follow
(2) Only conclusion definitely 2 does not follow
(3) Only conclusion definitely 3 does not follow
(4) Only conclusion 4 definitely does not follow
(5) Only conclusion 5 definitely does not follow

Q.41-45. Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given below-

Nine people, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W and X lives in a building, but not necessarily in the same order. The building has nine floors the ground floor is numbered 1, the floor above it is numbered 2, and so on, and the topmost floor is numbered 9. Only one person lives on one floor. All of them have different interior color of their floor, i.e. black, yellow, green, red, orange, blue, grey, white and pink, but not necessarily in the same order.

S stays on a floor immediately above X’s floor. P does not have a green-colored interior. W has black-colored interior and stays on an even numbered floor. P stays on any even-numbered floor below the floor on which W stays. R has a grey-colored interior. The one who has an orange-colored interior stays on the fourth floor. T stays on the second floor and has a white-colored interior. The one who has a pink-colored interior stays on the third floor. There are two floors between the floors on which the people having the red and the black-colored interiors stay. There are three floors between the floors on which R and V stay. There is one floor between the floors on which U and V stay. U does not have the pink-colored interior. The one who has the blue interior stays on the topmost floor. U does not stay on the ground floor.

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Q.41. Who amongst the following has the green colored interior?
Q.42. Who amongst the following stays on the topmost floor?
(1) U (2) V (3) S (4) R (5) None of these

Q.43. P has of which of the following color interior?
(1) Orange (2) Pink (3) Yellow (4) Blue (5) None of these

Q.44. Who stays on the floor which is exactly between the floor on which W stays and the floor on which P stays?
(1) Q (2) V (3) R (4) U (5) None of these

Q.45. How many floors are there between the floor on which X stays and the floor on which R stays?
(1) One (2) Two (3) None (4) Three (5) More than three

Q.46-50. Study the information carefully and answer the following questions given below.

8 persons A, B, C, D, E, F, G and H are sitting in two parallel rows having four persons in each row, in such a way that there is an equal distance between the persons who sits adjacent to one another. Four of them are facing south and four of them are facing north. Therefore in the given seating arrangement each member seated in a row faces another member of the other row.

(1) They all earn different salaries, F is seated second to the right of the person whose salary is fourth highest.
(2) A’s salary is not 4th or 2nd highest. The person whose salary is 2nd highest is seated opposite to one who is third to the left of D.
(3) Salary of E is less than the salary of G and salary of B is more than the salary of C.
(4) The person whose salary is 3rd highest seated immediate right of C, who is not immediate near to the person whose salary is 4th highest.
(5) A is seated second to the left of the person whose salary is second lowest.
(6) The salary of C is not 4th highest. G is seated opposite to the one who is immediate near to A. H’s salary is third lowest.
(7) B sits neither immediate near nor opposite to F but immediate left of H. The person whose salary is lowest does not sit at any of the extreme ends of the rows.

Q.46. Who earns highest salary amongst them?
(1) A (2) B (3) D (4) F (5) G

Q.47. Who sits immediate left of E?
(1) F (2) D (3) A (4) G (5) C

Q.48. Who amongst the following sit at extreme ends of rows?
(1) FCAD (2) DBCG (3) FGCD (4) DEAF (5) None of these

Q.49. Which of the following statement is true regarding the given seating arrangement?
(1) C earns 4th highest salary.
(2) F is immediate to the left of G and earns highest salary.
(3) A earns third highest salary and seated opposite to the person who earns lowest salary.
(4) D earns third highest salary and seated opposite to B.
(5) More than one of the above is true.

Q.50. Which of the following group of person facing north?
(1) FHEA (2) CEAD (3) HCBF (4) DCGB (5) Cannot be determine

The size of additional fund allocated to MUDRA is ₹1 trillion.
Q.51-55. In the following passage there are blanks each of which has been numbered as well as filled with a word which may be appropriate in context of the passage or maybe not. If the word highlighted is incorrect and needs improvement then choose any one option suggested given below. But if the given word is correct and requires no change then mark (5) i.e. no change required as your answer.

The Dry Wash System involves using comparatively lesser quantity of water without saying (51) on the quality of cleaning. The entire kit consists of a dry foam polish, micro fibre cloths, wipers and towel hand gloves. The process starts off with dusting off (52) the car with excess dirt or dust after which the car is sprayed with the dry foam wash. This is the only place where the cleaning process involves water which is minimal. To put it in perspective, if the conventional process involves 20 litres of water, this system involves barely 500 ml. Once the foam is sprayed, it is allowed to settle and then spread across the entire exterior of the car using the hand towels.

The next process involves cleaning the body of the car with a micro fibre cloth, however, before the cleaning starts, windows, rear glass and the windshield are cleaned using wipers, after which the entire car is cleaned using the microfibre cloths. The time taken for the entire system is approximately 20 minutes which is barely (53) lesser than the conventional method since it needs a lot of water which needs to be dried up more than once, even using a micro fibre cloth. Here this sweep has to be done once, or at most, twice.

The system isn’t a completely waterless one, however, the amount of water saved is not just considerable, but substantial (54). Not only does it reduce the amount of operation costs at a dealership, it also reduces the water consumption involved in cleaning a vehicle. With Maruti Suzuki’s initiative across a number of workshops, the company not just plans to have a cost-effective method for workshops, but also, make this entire process more environment-friendly. At this World Environment Day, the company not just plans to have a cost-effective method for workshops, but, however, the amount of water saved is not just considerable, but, substantial (54). Not only does it reduce the amount of operation costs at a dealership, it also reduces the water consumption involved in cleaning a vehicle. With Maruti Suzuki’s initiative across a number of workshops, the company not just plans to have a cost-effective method for workshops, but also, make this entire process more environment-friendly. At this World Environment Day, the company not just plans to have a cost-effective method for workshops, but also, make this entire process more environment-friendly.

Q.51. Choose the correct option for (1)
   (1) moment (2) initiative (3) choice
   (4) changed (5) No change required

Q.52. Choose the correct option for (2)
   (1) in (2) with (3) by
   (4) for (5) No change required

Q.53. Choose the correct option for (3)
   (1) legally (2) considerably
   (3) favourably (4) annoyingly
   (5) No change required

Q.54. Choose the correct option for (4)
   (1) prequel (2) enervate (3) tentacle
   (4) confiscate (5) No change required

Q.55. Choose the correct option for (5)
   (1) moment (2) initiative (3) choice
   (4) changed (5) No change required

Q.56-63. Read each part of the sentence to find out if there is any error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The number of that part is the answer. If there is no error, mark your answer as (5).

Q.56. China announced that India’s and Pakistan’s (1)/ admission as full members to the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (2)/ will be into the political and security (3)/ grouping’s summit in Kazakhstan. (4)/ No Error (5)

Q.57. The Sri Lankan President blamed (1)/ lack of prevention measures (2)/ for the recent floods (3)/ that claimed over 200 lives.(4)/ No Error (5)

Q.58. Philippine airstrikes aimed militants (1)/ who are holding hostages as human shields in a southern city (2)/ killed 11 soldiers, as they conceded hundreds of gunmen (3)/ may have escaped a blockade.(4)/ No Error (5)

Q.59. The South African President should quit,(1)/ the Nelson Mandela Foundation has demanded, (2)/ ask the embattled leader to (3)/ listen to the voice of the people.(4)/ No Error (5)

Q.60. The People who use the internet excessively may (1)/ experience increased heart rate and blood pressure (2)/ when they go offline, similar at (3)/ withdrawal symptoms seen in drug addicts.(4)/ No Error (5)

Q.61. The Former Foreign Secretary has (1)/ been appointed a public policy fellow (2)/ at a think-tank in the US where he (3)/ will work on a project on the Sino-India ties.(4)/ No error (5)

Q.62. China’s controversial cybersecurity law require (1)/ international firms to store critical data within the country,(2)/ has come into effect amid complaints (3)/ from foreign businesses.(4)/ No Error (5)

Q.63. The Indian PM and the Russian President meeting for (1)/ an annual summit, the highlight of whose is expected to be (2)/ the signing of an agreement to build the last 2 units (3)/ of the nuclear power plant. (4)/ No Error (5)

35% of MUDRA’s additional fund is to be allocated to ‘Kishore’ category.
Q.64. What can be the correct sequence of the given passage?
(1) BEADFC (2) DGBEAC (3) CAFBED
(4) AEBGCD (5) BFCDAE
Q.65. Which sentence is odd one out?
(1) A (2) B (3) G (4) F (5) D
Q.66-70. In each sentence below four words have been printed in bold which are numbered (1), (2), (3) and (4). One one word may be wrongly spelt or inappropriate in context of the sentence. Find out the wrongly spelt or inappropriate word. If all the words are correctly spelt and are appropriate the answer is (5) i.e. “All correct”.
Q.66. Bahrain’s news agency said the tiny kingdom was cutting ties (1) with Doha over its insinence (2) on “shaking the security and stable (3) of Bahrain and meddling (4) in its affairs. All Correct (5)
Q.67. Experts say that the prevailing (1) market conditions seem to be the most favour (2) for homebuyers (3) and property investors (4) that have been seen for a long time. All Correct (5)
Q.68. To assine (1) a bias (2) to what was a fun and innocent segment (3) celebrating her incredible accomplishment (4) is frankly extremely cynical,” she said in a statement. All Correct (5)
Q.69. Riyadh cut diplomatic (1) ties and closed borders with its neighbour (2) to protect its national security (3) from the dangers of terrorism and extremism.(4) All Correct (5)
Q.70. A conventional (1) method would involve a high-pressure wash who (2) not only takes a considerable (3) time to clean, but also involves (4) wastage of a lot of water. All Correct (5)

During the past decade, we surveyed the leaders at the world’s largest companies annually through our Global Digital IQ Survey, tracking their evolving sentiments, priorities, and challenges of how they’re using technology to transform their own businesses. So what exactly has changed when it comes to digital? A lot.

In 2007, companies lacked a mobile strategy, let alone a mobile presence for engaging with their customers or for helping employees collaborate. Companies had not yet turned en masse to leverage social platforms like Facebook to advance their business goals. Consumer technology and its potential went largely ignored in the enterprise. Even the word “digital” now means something different. It used to be synonymous with “IT.” Nowadays, a company’s digital strategy practically drives the roadmap and goals of many departments, from marketing to sales to HR.

So one would expect that today’s companies have a much better Digital IQ than they did way back in 2007, right? The answer, surprisingly, is no. Our latest survey, which polled 2,216 executives at companies with annual revenue of more than $500 million, found executives’ confidence in their organization’s digital abilities is actually at the lowest it has been since we started tracking. Just 52% of executives rated their Digital IQ as strong, down 15% from the year before.

That said, companies and executives have improved at embracing digital transformation. CEOs recognize how much their digital strategy influences business goals. Back in 2007, only 40% of CIOs (Chief Information officers) were involved in strategic planning; now they’re regarded as some of the most integral members of the C-Suite. But actions speak louder than words, and despite this shift in recognition of the importance of digital, the average investment in emerging technologies grew just 1% over the 10-year period. In our most recent survey, executives say they look to digital initiatives primarily to increase revenue and reduce costs. These are worthy goals, of course, but it also means there’s less priority being placed on innovating and implementing the latest technologies into their products. So while management recognizes the importance of the digital transformation, technology has also accelerated at a breakneck speed, making it more difficult for businesses to keep up with the curve, much less stay ahead of it.

But they are trying. Senior leaders realize what the stakes are. The CEOs who aren’t prioritizing digital are either changing their tune, or being phased out: just 33% of executives in our 2007 survey said that their CEO was a champion for digital; that number has doubled to more than 68% today. CIOs, in addition, have gotten a prime seat...
at the table. In 2007, just 40% of executives said the CIO was significantly involved in strategic planning in 2007, while today they own some of the most important strategic initiatives for organizations across industries.

So how can companies translate these efforts into results going forward? The answer we found is simple, if a bit ironic: focus on the human experience. What we’ve learned, both through our surveys and in our own experience with clients, is that the human experience is vital to raising an organization’s Digital IQ. Businesses must think critically about how their digital initiatives will affect the experience of customers and employees, as even the most well-intentioned initiatives can have unforeseen impacts on people.

Top performers in our survey — those reporting revenue growth and profit margin increases above 5% for the past three years and expected revenue growth of at least 5% for the next three years — have a better understanding of the human experience that surrounds digital technology. These companies prioritize user experience specialists and creating better customer experience through their digital initiatives. Overall, the companies that give CIOs a seat at the table, make IT a part of their strategy, and realize that the fate of their IT investments and business goals are intertwined will be most ready to face the challenges of tomorrow — and the next decade.

Q.71. What was contemplated through the Global Digital IQ Survey about the leaders at the world’s largest companies annually?
A. they track their evolving sentiments.
B. they check their priorities.
C. they check their challenges of how they’re using technology to transform their own businesses.
(1) Both A and C  (2) Both B and C  (3) Both A and B  (4) Only C  (5) All A, B and C

Q.72. What was the global scenario in 2007, when companies lacked a mobile strategy?
(1) mobile presence for engaging with their customers was missing.
(2) the factor of helping employees to collaborate was missing.
(3) aiding various other international projects was called for.
(4) manipulating many kind of illustrative structures was missing.
(5) Both 1 and 2

Q.73. What does a company’s digital strategy practically do Nowadays?
(1) It drives the roadmap and goals of many departments.
(2) It helps in strategic planning.
(3) It focuses on the human experience.
(4) It doubles the capacity of HR.
(5) Both 2 and 3

Q.74. What is happening to the CEOs who aren’t prioritizing digital?
(1) They are either checking their reckoning or they are being forced to face the repercussions.
(2) They are either changing their tune or they are being phased out.
(3) They are either reporting revenue growth or they are lacking in earning the profit margin.
(4) Both 1 and 2  (5) Both 2 and 3

Q.75. What happened to the average investment in emerging technologies?
(1) It fell just 23% over the 10-year period.
(2) It was neutral with just 10.78% over the 07-year period.
(3) It grew just 1% over the 10-year period.
(4) Both 1 and 2  (5) Not mentioned in the passage

Q.76. Which of the following are regarded as some of the most integral members of the C-Suite?
(1) CIOs  (2) CEOs  (3) CDIOs
(4) Both 2 and 3 (5) All Except 1

Q.77. Choose the word most SIMILAR in meaning to the word printed in bold, as used in the passage.
Prioritize
(1) Excuse (2) Formulate (3) Emancipate (4) Exculpate (5) Stir

Q.78. Choose the word most SIMILAR in meaning to the word printed in bold, as used in the passage.
Unforeseen
(1) Unanticipated (2) Genuflect (3) Pounce (4) Anticipated (5) Unbiased

Q.79. Choose the word which is most nearly the OPPOSITE in meaning as the word printed in bold as used in the passage.
Breakneck
(1) very slow (2) Headlong (3) Quay (4) Subdued (5) Frequent

Q.80. Choose the word which is most nearly the OPPOSITE in meaning as the word printed in bold as used in the passage.
Lending with the help of Bank Rate is a practice of Rediscounting of bills.
Q81-85. Which of the Phrases (1), (2) (3) and (4) given below each sentence should replace the phrases printed in bold in the sentence to make it grammatically correct. If the sentence is correct as it is given and no correction is required, mark (5) as the answer.

Q.81. The Power Minister has taken up the challenge to rapidly make Varanasi a 100 per cent clean energy city to steal a march on Germany's Munich.
(1) taken up the challenged to rapidly
(2) took upping the challenge to rapidly
(3) taken up the challenge to rapid
(4) take up the challenge to rapidly
(5) No Correction Required

Q.82. Ahead of Raymond's AGM to consider sale of JK House to its promoters and extended families beneath "throwaway" prices, its CMD said his personal opinion would be to vote against the resolution.
(1) extend family over "throwaway" prices
(2) extended family across "throwaway" prices
(3) extends family into "throwaway" price
(4) extended family at "throwaway" prices
(5) No Correction Required

Q.83. Selling stake in Air India will be "very difficult" with its debt burden of Rs 52,000 crore and the government has to decided if there should be partial or full write off of debt.
(1) to decides if there should be partial
(2) to decide if there should be partial
(3) to decide if there should being partial
(4) to decide if they should be partially
(5) No Correction Required

Q.84. India and Russia have agreed to setting up joint ventures from manufacturing aircraft and automobiles as the two nations look to boost trade and economic ties.
(1) set joint venture in manufacturing
(2) set down joint venture at manufacturing
(3) set up joint ventures for manufacturing
(4) set up joined ventures manufacturing
(5) No Correction Required

Q.85. The US has approved a long-term application to export Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) from an offshore project, which is a joint venture between an Indian and an American company, in the Gulf of Mexico.
(1) who is a joint venture between an Indian
(2) whose is a joint venture between an Indian
(3) where is a joint venture along an Indian
(4) why is a joined venture between an Indian
(5) No Correction Required

Q.86-90. Read the following passage carefully and answer the questions given below it.

The GST, if fully enacted, will not just be one of the most significant economic reforms since 199(1) It will also be one of the most significant constitutional innovations since 1950. It radically rewrites the nature of Indian federalism. The enactment of a bill of this magnitude showed glimpses of what Indian democracy can be at its best. India needs more of the nectar of the high-minded constitutional deliberation we saw in parliament and less of low-minded social poison. Like many constitutional innovations, there is some leap of faith. Not all the institutional consequences can be fully known in advance.

Much will depend on how our larger politics develops. And much will depend on the new culture of negotiations that develops around institutions like the GST council. The GST amendment is a radical institutional departure. The GST council, arguably, makes the states significant decision partners in national-level macro-economic management. Indeed, the tough negotiations over the GST rate will reflect exactly the tension the chief ministers will face. Individually, each state would want a rate that gives it higher revenue and more spending; but collectively, they will have to be mindful of the aggregate national-level macro-economic impact on things like inflation. In short, the states will have to think nationally as well.

The equal voting weight given to every state enshrines their power in a new way; it almost accords states a new constitutional status. Most of the coordinating mechanisms involving states like the NDC have been moribund; this creates a genuinely empowered institution for cooperative federalism. How the states form interesting coalitions will keep many a game theorist busy. Finally, the biggest change it introduces is taking away the discretion of individual states on taxing a range of goods and services. Since states are collectively now part of decision-making (even though the Centre can veto), they will have to be careful about creating precedents that could spell trouble for the future. This is one of the attractions. On the one hand, it has the potential of cleaning up the political economy of producer taxes, which will no longer be subject to usual discretionary politics. On the other hand, this is exactly the provision that states like Tamil Nadu worry about. Does the GST cut down the states’ autonomy too much? Will there be a basic structure-based legal challenge to the amendment?
The claim that the GST cuts down the states’ autonomy is considerably overstated if looked at in a dynamic perspective. First, it is true that the states will not be able to use goods and services taxes to finance local practices. But for a while, they have considerable leeway on petroleum taxes that form a bulk of their revenue. Second, we are possibly underestimating the potential of non-goods and services-related revenue the states can deploy. In fact, one of the weaknesses of the current system was that the revenue efforts of most states were pretty meagre; they often took the easy way out. The degree to which states (and local governments) can deploy other kinds of taxes like property taxes is very much an open one. I would not underestimate the states’ creative capacities to find new sources of revenue if a distortionary mechanism is closed off. And in future, there could even be a debate on allowing some degree of state income taxes. Third, if the aggregate revenues go up because of the GST, that arguably creates a new kind of spending autonomy.

It is important not to gloss over our recent history on federalism. The autonomy of states was curtailed, not by restrictions on the revenue side, but by the spending mandates imposed by the Centre. The UPA’s centrally sponsored schemes were arguably far bigger violations of the state’s autonomy. The finance commission has restored some balance by increasing the share of the states. But the impact of this has been blunted a bit by already committed liabilities. And the fact of the matter is the Central government has been pushing unfunded mandates on states in a variety of ways. One of the down sides of the “rights” revolution, which will soon be extended to health, is its impact on states’ autonomy. Even a lot of other central legislation has implicitly imposed costs on the states without consulting them to the degree necessary. So it is a bit of bad faith to present the current story as one in which the states had autonomy to set their own priorities.

Q.86. How is the nature of Indian federalism explained?

A. It is explained by one of the most significant economic reforms.
B. It is explained by one of the most significant constitutional innovations.
C. It is explained by Indian democracy.

(1) Only A  (2) Only B  (3) Only C  (4) Only A and B  (5) None of these

Q.87. Regarding the GST amendment, how can everything depend on larger politics?

A. With the help of the new culture of negotiations
B. With the help of the constitutional innovations
C. With the help of the economic reforms

(1) Only A and C  (2) Only A and B  (3) Only A  (4) All A, B and C  (5) Not given in the passage

Q.88. How will the GST show its impact on each state?

A. By implementing the GST the states will want a rate that gives them higher revenue and more spending collectively
B. By implementing the GST the states will have to be mindful of the aggregate national-level macro-economic impact on things like inflation distinctly
C. By implementing the GST the states will have to think nationally as well

(1) Only A  (2) Only A and B'  (3) Only C  (4) Only A and C  (5) All A, B and C

Q.89. Which of the following point(s) perfectly explain(s) the autonomy of states curtailed by restrictions on the revenue side?

A. The states will not be able to use goods and services taxes to finance local practices.
B. The states will possibly underestimate the potential of non-goods and services-related revenue the states can deploy.
C. The states will aggregate their revenues because of the GST that arguably creates a new kind of spending autonomy.

(1) Only A  (2) Only B  (3) Only C  (4) Only A and C  (5) Not given in the passage

Q.90. Which of the following statements is NOT TRUE in the context of the passage?

A. India needs more of the nectar of the high-minded constitutional deliberation as the author saw in the last election and less of low-minded social poison.
B. A lot of other central legislation has inevitably imposed costs on the states without consulting them to the degree necessary.
C. The finance commission has restored some balance by increasing the share of the states.

(1) Only A  (2) Only B  (3) Only C  (4) All A, B and C  (5) None of these

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Q.91-95. In the following number series a wrong number is given find out the wrong number and mark as your answer.

Q.91. 27 31 63 74 199 235
(1) 31 (2) 74 (3) 199
(4) 63 (5) 27

Q.92. 410 512 640 800 1000 1250
(1) 512 (2) 1250 (3) 800
(4) 640 (5) 410

Q.93. 155 80 81 166 680 5504
(1) 155 (2) 81 (3) 5504
(4) 80 (5) None

Q.94. 2.4 4.2 5.4 6.3 7.27
(1) 5.4 (2) 4.2 (3) 6.3
(4) 7.27 (5) None of these

Q.95. 18 57 240 1212 7353
(1) 1212 (2) 7353 (3) 240
(4) 57 (5) None of these

Q.96-100. What approximate value should come at place of question mark (?) in the following questions.

Q.96. 4 \frac{1}{7} + 7 \frac{1}{3} + 4 \frac{2}{5} = ?
(1) 18 (2) 13 (3) 11
(4) 16 (5) 20

Q.97. 18.5% of 425 + 16.2% of 488 = ?
(1) 160 (2) 180 (3) 200
(4) 250 (5) None of these

Q.98. 824.998 ÷ 14.048 ÷ 24.954 = ?
(1) 5 (2) 3 (3) 6
(4) 10 (5) 15

Q.99. 19.068 × 18.345 × ? = 11538.9337
(1) 30 (2) 40 (3) 45
(4) 50 (5) 35

Q.100. \frac{11}{16} \times \frac{4}{17} + \frac{7}{38} = ?
(1) 50 (2) 55 (3) 45
(4) 60 (5) 35

Q.101-105. Read the following information carefully to answer the questions asked.

In a bag there are balls of four different colours Red, Blue, Green and Yellow in which 3 balls are of Red colour and 5 balls are of green colour.

Q.101. If the number of blue balls are double of that of number of yellow colour and the probability of getting two balls of Red colour when two balls are taken out one by one without replacement is \frac{3}{136} . Find the number of yellow colour balls.
(1) 6 (2) 4 (3) 2
(4) 5 (5) None of these

Q.102. If the probability of getting either Red or green ball when one ball is taken out from bag is \frac{4}{11} . Find the total number of balls in the bag?
(1) 15 (2) 17 (3) 22
(4) 25 (5) None of these

Q.103. If the total number of balls in bag is 18 and three balls are taken out one by one without replacement. Find the probability of getting all balls are of same colour?
(1) \frac{41}{204} (2) \frac{23}{102}
(3) \frac{53}{408} (4) Can't be determined
(5) None of these

Q.104. If the probability of getting two consecutive blue balls is \frac{2}{35} . Find the number of yellow balls?
(1) 2 (2) 3 (3) 4
(4) 5 (5) Can't be determined

Q.105. If the number of Red balls is equal to number of yellow balls and number of blue balls are equal to number of green balls. If four balls are taken out one after another without replacement find the probability that all balls are of different colours?
(1) \frac{91}{364} (2) \frac{85}{364} (3) \frac{45}{364}
(4) \frac{51}{364} (5) None of these

Q.106-110. Read the following information carefully and answer the questions.

A declaration by a lender to a borrower for non-payment of the remaining amount is known as Charge off.
Following table chart shows the discount offered in different time slot and on different bill amount on Wednesday in KFC.

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Q.106. If Sheena and Raima goes to KFC at 3 pm and their bill amount was 1140. Then what they need to pay?
(1) Rs. 1022 (2) Rs. 855 (3) Rs. 994 (4) Rs. 960 (5) Rs. 1020

Q.107. If Ram goes to KFC at 6 pm and his total bill without discount was Rs. 2040. Then find the net discount percent approximately?
(1) 20% (2) 30% (3) 40% (4) 22% (5) 25%

Q.108. Billing amount of Rajesh at 9 pm was Rs. 3775. If an GST of 12% is applicable on discounted bill. Find the amount Rajesh needs to pay.
(1) 2592.4 (2) 2755.2 (3) 2577.2 (4) 2853.5 (5) None of these

Q.109. If Sachin has to consume a food worth Rs. 1800. Then his bill at 8 p.m. will be approximately what percent of his bill at 6 p.m.?
(1) 80% (2) 72% (3) 88% (4) 97% (5) Can't be determined

Q.110. If Neeta goes to KFC at 8:30 pm paid a total bill of Rs. 1730 after discount. Find her bill without discount?
(1) Rs. 2350 (2) Rs. 2250 (3) Rs. 2300 (4) Rs. 2400 (5) None of these

Q.111. In the following question find the value of Q1 and Q2 and state the correct relationship between them?

Q.112. \( Q_1 \) A bus travels 750 metres in 45 seconds. Find its speed.
(1) \( Q_1 < Q_2 \) (2) \( Q_1 > Q_2 \) (3) \( Q_1 = Q_2 \) or Relationship can't be established

Q.113. \( Q_1 \) A train whose length is 250 meters cross a pole in 18 seconds. Find its speed.
(1) \( Q_1 < Q_2 \) (2) \( Q_1 > Q_2 \) (3) \( Q_1 < Q_2 \) (4) \( Q_1 > Q_2 \) (5) \( Q_1 = Q_2 \) or Relationship can't be established

Q.114. \( Q_1 \) A shopkeeper buys some mangoes at rate of 15 mangoes for Rs. 10 and sold all at rate of 12 mangoes for Rs. 9. Find his profit percent.
(1) \( Q_1 > Q_2 \) (2) \( Q_1 < Q_2 \) (3) \( Q_1 < Q_2 \) (4) \( Q_1 > Q_2 \) (5) \( Q_1 = Q_2 \) or Relationship can't be established

Q.115. \( Q_1 \) A shopkeeper gives 1 article free on purchase of 5 articles. Find equivalent discount percentage?
(1) \( Q_1 > Q_2 \) (2) \( Q_1 < Q_2 \) (3) \( Q_2 < Q_2 \) (4) \( Q_1 < Q_1 \) (5) \( Q_1 = Q_2 \) or Relationship can't be established

Q.116-120. Read the following information carefully to answer questions.

Following pie chart shows the breakdown of income and expenditure of India during financial year 2017.

Breakdown of Revenues for FY17-18

The classification of loan based on various risks like repayment risk, borrower’s credit history etc. is known as Loan Grading.
25% of MUDRA’s additional fund is to be allocated to ‘Tarun’ category.

Q. 116. If total revenue was 2500 crore where as total expenditure was 3000 crore. Find the income from corporate tax was approximately what percentage of the expenditure on subsidies?
   (1) 58%  (2) 63%  (3) 158%
   (4) 125%  (5) Can’t be determined

Q. 117. If the budget deficit was 20% and Revenue generated from customs were 180 crore. Find expenditure on central sector Scheme?
   (1) 244 crore  (2) 264 crore  (3) 275 crore
   (4) 255 crore  (5) None of these

Q. 118. Find the Budget deficit if expenditure on defence services was 28 cr. more than the income from Non tax revenue?
   (1) 10%  (2) 20%
   (3) 25%  (4) Can’t be determined
   (5) None of these

Q. 119. Find the central angle of expenditure on central sector scheme among all expenditures?
   (1) 39.6°  (2) 43.56°  (3) 36°
   (4) 42°  (5) None of these

Q. 120. If Revenue from Non tax Revenue on subsidies was 15 crore more than expenditure on subsidies find wheather Budget is Surplus or deficit and by how much percentage?
   (1) Surplus of 25%
   (2) Deficit of 25%
   (3) Surplus by percentage is not determined
   (4) Deficit but percentage is not determined
   (5) Can’t be determined

Q. 121-125. Read the following information carefully and decide wheather the given data is sufficient to answer the questions?

Q. 121. Find the speed of train?
   I. Train cross another train double of its length and half of its speed coming from opposite direction in 48 seconds.
   II. Trains crosses a platform whose length is 150 metres is 72 seconds.
   (1) Only I is sufficient
   (2) Only II is sufficient
   (3) Any I is sufficient
   (4) Both I and II are sufficient.
   (5) Both I and II together are not sufficient.

Q. 122. Find the two digit number?
   I. Sum of their digits is 9?
   II. Number is divisible by 9.
   III. The number is perfect square number.
   (1) Only I  (2) Only III
   (3) I & II together  (4) Any II are sufficient
   (5) All together are not sufficient.

Q. 123. Find the speed of boat in still water?
   I. Boat goes 15 km upstream & these comes to its original position taking a total of 3 hrs.
   II. With the stream boat goes 250 mitres in 1 minute.
   (1) Only I
   (2) Only II
   (3) Either I or II
   (4) Both I & II are together sufficient.
   (5) Both I or II are together not sufficient.

Q. 124. Find the Area of quadrilateral.
   I. Its diagonals are perpendicular to each other.
   II. Angle at one of its vertex is of 60°
   III. Its one side is 10 cm.
   (1) I & II together
   (2) II & III together
   (3) I & III together
   (4) All three are together sufficient.
   (5) All three together are not sufficient.

Q. 125. Find the present age of Ramesh.
   I. Ramesh age is 3 years more than the twice of age of Suresh.
II. Suresh is 4 years younger to Mohan.
III. Mohan has celebrated his 12th birthday last year.
(1) Any II are sufficient
(2) Only I & III are sufficient.
(3) Only II and III are sufficient.
(4) All 3 are sufficient.
(5) None of these

Q.126. A and B start a business by investing Rs. 45000 and Rs. 60000 respectively. After 6 months B left and C joined. If after one and half year C claims \( \frac{4}{17} \) of total profit. Then how much money invested by C?
(1) 20000 (2) 15000 (3) 30000
(4) 45000 (5) None of these

Q.127. A bus was going from Lucknow to Varanasi. After running for 2 hours it met with an minor accident and its speed decreased by 25% hence it got late by 30 minutes. Had this accident happened after 40 km. the delay would have been of just 20 minutes. Find the distance between Lucknow and Varanasi?
(1) 240 km. (2) 250 km. (3) 275 km.
(4) 280 km. (5) Can not be determined

Q.128. A mixture contains sprit and water in the ratio 7:12. What part of the mixture must taken out and replaced with sprit for the resultant mixture to have sprit and water in the ratio 7:8?
(1) \( \frac{7}{38} \) (2) \( \frac{7}{35} \) (3) \( \frac{11}{38} \)
(4) \( \frac{7}{45} \) (5) None of these

Q.129. The sum of ages of Arun and Brijesh is 48 years, Arun is 4 years older than Charu . The ratio of the age of Brijesh and Charu is 4 : 7. What was the age of Arun 5 years back?
(1) 35 yrs. (2) 25 yrs. (3) 27 yrs.
(4) 20 yrs. (5) None of these

Q.130. Ram and Raghu can complete a work together in 5 days. If Ram work twice fast as he work and Raghu work by one third of his efficiency than work will be completed in 3 days. Find in how many days Ram will finish the work.
(1) 6 (2) 6.25 (3) 6.5
(4) 7 (5) 7.25

Q.131-135. In the following table the information about Rohit attempting problems in SBI Po Mock and marks scored by him. For every correct answer of Reasoning and Data Interpretation question 2 marks are added and for every correct answer of English, General Awareness and computer question 1 mark is added. For every un-attempted question 12.5% of assigned marks and for every wrong answer 25% of assigned marks are deducted.

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1. Rohit has scored 36% marks and ratio between the attempted and un-attempted questions is 19:12.
2. The number of wrong answer in General Awareness is one-third of the score of Reasoning and is 3 less than the correct answer of English.
3. None of the questions in the Computer section are un-attempted.

Q.131. Find the total number of question answered wrong by Rohit?
(1) 30 (2) 25 (3) 27
(4) 26 (5) 23

Q.132. If all un-attempted questions are attempted correctly by Rohit then find the net socre of Rohit.
(1) 174 (2) 173 (3) 184
(4) 126 (5) 93

Q.133. What is the respective ratio between the score of Rohit in Computer and English?
(1) 1 : 4 (2) 2 : 3 (3) 4:1
(4) 3:2 (5) 9 : 3

Q.134. Marks score by Rohit in Reasoning is how much percent less then marks of Data Interpretation?
(1) 16.66% (2) 14.66% (3) 14.28%
(4) 30% (5) 50%

Q.135. If Rohit has not answered all the question which he attempted wrong then find by what percent approximately Rohit marks will be more than his present score?
(1) 6% (2) 5% (3) 10%
(4) 8% (5) 9%

Final lump sum amount that is due is called Balloon payment.
Q.136-140. From a college a student can do graduation, post-graduation and Doctor of Philosophy. Every year in Doctor of Philosophy only those 300 students of Engineering are admitted who have done graduation and post-graduation both from this college only. Graduation and Post-graduation can be done in three streams Engineering, Management and Mass Communication. Every year 2000 students are admitted for graduation, post-graduation and Doctor of Philosophy if the ratio between the candidates who took admission in graduation and post-graduation every year is 21:13. If 550 students took admission in Engineering and remaining students are in 2:3 between Mass Communication and Management. Only 25% of management students take admission in post-graduation and 37.5% of Mass communication students take admission in post-graduation.

Q.136. Find the ratio between the number of engineering students who took admission in graduation and post-graduation.
(1) 11:10   (2) 10:11   (3) 11:9   (4) 9:11   (5) None of these

Q.137. The Students of Mass Communication is what percent of total students in the college.
(1) 13.75%   (2) 11.75%   (3) 12.75%   (4) Cannot be determined   (5) None of these

Q.138. Find the difference between the numbers of students of mass communication in graduation and post-graduation.
(1) 175   (2) 117   (3) 125   (4) Cannot be determined   (5) None of these

Q.139. To complete graduation in engineering it take 4 years and to complete graduation in other stream it take 3 years. If every year only 10% of the students get promoted to next class then find what number of student graduate every year.
(1) 153   (2) 174   (3) 125   (4) Cannot be determined   (5) None of these

Q.140. Find the total number of student of Management who took admission in this college every year.
(1) 300   (2) 375   (3) 325   (4) Cannot be determined   (5) None of these
Q.141. What is the threshold limit decided by the Government up to which Aadhar Card is mandatory?
(1) 10000  (2) 25000  (3) 50000
(4) 100000  (5) 500000

Q.142. Recently which country has ratified Automatic Exchange of Financial Account Information (AEOI) with India and 40 other countries?
(1) Switzerland  (2) France  (3) Israel
(4) Denmark  (5) Norway

Q.143. Who will receive a lifetime achievement award from the world's oldest literary organisation, PEN Center?
(1) Harper Lee  (2) Suzanne Collins
(3) Tom Wolfe  (4) J.K.Rowling
(5) Margaret Atwood

Q.144. The 2018 Winter Olympics is going to be held in which country?
(1) China  (2) Singapore
(3) Russia  (4) South Korea
(5) India

Q.145. What does 'D' stands for in the "TADA" Act?
(1) Disorder  (2) Defensive  (3) Disruptive
(4) Destruction  (5) Demolition

Q.146. Who has been named the Best Actor (Male) for his performance in the Tamil film "Irudhi Suttru" at the Filmfare Awards South 2017?
(1) Rana Duggubati  (2) R Madhavan
(3) Allu Arjun  (4) Ramcharan
(5) Mahesh Babu

Q.147. Who laid the foundation stone of a Super Specialty Hospital of BRS Health & Research Institute at Udupi, Karnataka?
(1) Pranab Mukherjee  (2) Narendra Modi
(3) J.P.Nadda  (4) Siddaramaiah
(5) Vajubhai Rudabhai Wala

Q.148. Mahesh Sharma, Minister of State (Independent charge) for Culture & Tourism launched the implementation of the “National Mission on Cultural Mapping of India” in-
(1) Sikkim  (2) Tamil Nadu
(3) Uttarakhand  (4) Uttar Pradesh
(5) Assam

Q.149. Who has inaugurated Know India Programme (KIP) for NRI and PIO youth?
(1) Pranab Mukherjee  (2) Narendra Modi
(3) Sushma Swaraj  (4) Smriti Irani
(5) Uma Bharti

Q.150. Who has won the Stuttgart Open men's singles title?
(1) Roger Federer  (2) Lucas Pouille
(3) Rafael Nadal  (4) Novak Djokovich
(5) Andy Murray

Q.151. In order to complete India's Navigation system, ISRO is all set to send a backup satellite which will replace-
(1) IRNSS-1A  (2) IRNSS-1B
(3) IRNSS-1C  (4) IRNSS-1D
(5) IRNSS-1E

Q.152. Recently PM Modi inaugurated the Mass Rapid Transport in-
(1) Karnataka  (2) West Bengal
(3) Tamil Nadu  (4) Kerala
(5) Andhra Pradesh

Q.153. The Indonesia Open men's singles title 2017 is won by which country?
(1) India  (2) Indonesia
(3) Japan  (4) China  (5) Malaysia

Q.154. According to the International Cricket Council (ICC), the next edition of ICC World T20 will be held in-
(1) 2017  (2) 2018  (3) 2019
(4) 2020  (5) 2021

Q.155. Recently Vedanta Group has signed a 700 crore MoU with which state to set up a steel plant in the state?
(1) Uttarakhand  (2) Jharkhand
(3) Bihar  (4) Telangana
(5) Himachal Pradesh

Q.156. After the merger of BMB and its associate banks with SBI, the total number of branches of SBI is stood at-
(1) 24000  (2) 26000  (3) 28000
(4) 30000  (5) 32000

Q.157. The Chettuva Mangrove forest which has been recently declared as Bird Sanctuary is located in which state?
(1) Andhra Pradesh  (2) Kerala
(3) Tamil Nadu  (4) Telangana
(5) Karnataka

Q.158. Recently with which country, India has signed a $10 Billion pact for Infra projects?
(1) South Korea  (2) Japan  (3) USA
(4) Russia  (5) France

Q.159. What is the upper limit up to which an Insurance Ombudsman can Award, for any dispute related to life, health or general insurance policy?
(1) 1 Lakh  (2) 5 Lakh  (3) 10 Lakh
(4) 20 Lakh  (5) 30 Lakh

Marginal Standing Facility is a credit window of RBI, introduced on 9th May 2011.
Q.160. Who received the Frost & Sullivan India Digital Transformation Award 2017 for its SIP Trunking service in the "New Products and Services category"?
(1) Reliance Communications
(2) Bharti Airtel
(3) Idea
(4) Telenor India
(5) Dish TV

Q.161. Axa Re, who received approval from IRDAI to open branches in India, belongs to which country?
(1) Sweden
(2) Turkey
(3) Germany
(4) France
(5) Australia

Q.162. Recently with whom The Union Cabinet has given its ex-post facto approval to the Agreement on Merchant Shipping?
(1) Turkey
(2) Germany
(3) Spain
(4) Russia
(5) Cyprus

Q.163. Which University has been ranked among the top ten universities in the country by a British Company Quacquarelli Symonds in its list released for 2018?
(1) IISC
(2) Jamia Millia Islamia
(3) Jawahar Nehru University
(4) Aligarh Muslim University
(5) Delhi University

Q.164. According to the global financial services provider HSBC, India's growth is likely to remain unchanged at:
(1) 7.1 %
(2) 7.2 %
(3) 7.3 %
(4) 7.4 %
(5) 7.5 %

Q.165. Who has been conferred the WHO Director-General's Special Recognition Award for accelerating India's tobacco control initiatives and taking bold measures to protect people against hazards of tobacco use?
(1) Nitish Kumar
(2) Sarbananda Sonowal
(3) J.P.Nadda
(4) Pinarayi Vijayan
(5) N Chandrasekhar Rao

Q.166. Recently who has been inducted into the ICC Cricket Hall of Fame?
(1) Lasith Malinga
(2) Kusal Perera
(3) Thisara Perera
(4) Muttiah Muralidaran
(5) Kumar Sangakara

Q.167. Who has been chosen for the player of the year 2016 award by the All India Football Federation?
(1) Sunil Chhetri
(2) Jeje Lalpekhlua
(3) Subrata Pal
(4) Gurpreet Singh Sandhu
(5) Cavin Lobo

Q.168. Roland Garros Title is also known as:
(1) Wimbledon
(2) US Open
(3) Australian Open
(4) Singapore Open
(5) French Open

Q.169. The “Gorumara National Park” is located in the Indian State of
(1) Arunachal Pradesh
(2) Himachal Pradesh
(3) West Bengal
(4) Goa
(5) None of these

Q.170. Which bank has appointed B.K. Manjunath as its non-executive chairman for a period of three years?
(1) Ratnakar Bank Ltd.
(2) Lakshmi Vilas Bank
(3) Dena Bank
(4) Vijaya Bank
(5) Dhanlakshmi Bank

Q.171. Miguel D’Escoto died. He was former president of:
(1) ILO
(2) WHO
(3) IMF
(4) UN General Assembly
(5) World Bank

Q.172. According to the BMI research, what is India’s rank in the top five consumer markets in Asia in 2017?
(1) 1
(2) 2
(3) 3
(4) 4
(5) 5

Q.173. Which country along with UN Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC) have launched a partnership fund that will support sustainable development projects across the developing world?
(1) USA
(2) China
(3) Russia
(4) Japan
(5) India

Q.174. The Kohala Hydropower Project is in which of the following countries?
(1) Pakistan
(2) India
(3) Bangladesh
(4) Afghanistan
(5) Nepal

Q.175. Mount Kinabalu is the highest mountain of which of the following countries?
(1) Malaysia
(2) China
(3) India
(4) Vietnam
(5) Thailand

Q.176. Kuchipudi, an Indian classical Dance form, belongs to
(1) Manipur
(2) West Bengal
(3) Kerala
(4) Andhra Pradesh
(5) Uttar Pradesh

Q.177. Sunder Pichai, as the CEO, is successfully running an organisation named as
(1) Facebook
(2) Microsoft
(3) Google
(4) Paytm
(5) Twitter
Trading of securities outside the stock exchanges is known as Dabba Trading.

Q.178. Which of the following company has launched a new social deposit scheme called 'Hrudaya'?
   (1) LIC
   (2) NICL
   (3) Bandhan Microfinance
   (4) Annapurna Microfinance
   (5) ESAF Microfinance

Q.179. 'Open Market Operation' is a part of
   (1) Income Policy
   (2) Fiscal Policy
   (3) Credit Policy
   (4) Labour Policy
   (5) None of these

Q.180. “Tarapur Atomic Power Station” located in which State?
   (1) Gujarat
   (2) Uttar Pradesh
   (3) Maharashtra
   (4) Karnataka
   (5) None of these

Q.181. Which of the following is a storage device?
   (1) Tape
   (2) Hard Disk
   (3) Floppy Disk
   (4) Pen Drive
   (5) All of the above

Q.182. For which of the following tasks would PIM software be most useful?
   (1) Drafting A Memo
   (2) Maintaining A Schedule
   (3) Calculating A Budget
   (4) Keeping Track Of Recipes
   (5) Maintaining A Program

Q.183. In computer networks, the two local area networks can be joined by using _______.
   (1) Routers
   (2) Backbones
   (3) Bridges
   (4) Gateways
   (5) Switch

Q.184. A ____________ is a small program that helps to automate a frequently used series of commands in most productivity software tools.
   (1) Template
   (2) Macro
   (3) Utility
   (4) Wizard
   (5) Cookies

Q.185. Which of the following statements about printed circuit boards is not true?
   (1) They may contain integrated circuits
   (2) They are used in laptops
   (3) They are found in desktop computers
   (4) They are all made of the same material
   (5) They are used in mouse

Q.186. What type of job may involve fixing syntax errors?
   (1) Software development
   (2) Graphic design
   (3) Video editing
   (4) Content production
   (5) None of these

Q.187. Which of the following statements about BitTorrent is false?
   (1) It is peer-to-peer (P2P) file sharing protocol
   (2) It was designed as a replacement for the HTTP protocol
   (3) It allows users to download single files from multiple servers at one time
   (4) It supports resuming downloads that have been paused or stopped
   (5) None of these

Q.188. What is the primary function of an ISP?
   (1) To host websites
   (2) To provide Internet security services
   (3) To provide Internet access
   (4) To deliver software updates
   (5) To provide Proxy server

Q.189. How many bits are transferred each second over a steady 2 Mbps connection?
   (1) Two hundred
   (2) Two thousand
   (3) Two million
   (4) Two billion
   (5) Two Byte

Q.189. Which of the following statements about jQuery is not true?
   (1) It is a JavaScript library.
   (2) It is designed to be compatible with multiple web browsers.
   (3) It is processed on the web server instead of the web browser.
   (4) It can produce animations within web pages.
   (5) None of these

Q.190. In modern operating systems, the __________ feature has dramatically improved user productivity.
   (1) copy and paste
   (2) command-line interface
   (3) multitasking
   (4) intrusion detection
   (5) None of these

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   (1) copy and paste
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   (3) multitasking
   (4) intrusion detection
   (5) None of these
Q.192. A command-line interface tells you it is waiting for the next command by using a __________.
(1) dialog box (2) menu (3) prompt (4) system call (5) None of these

Q.193. A service provided by the OS for programmers is referred to as a(n) __________.
(1) context (2) interrupt (3) shortcut (4) system call (5) Program call

Q.194. Which is not required to send and receive e-mail messages?
(1) an e-mail address (2) e-mail software (3) Internet access (4) a Word processor (5) None of these

Q.195. Real-time communication is possible by using __________.
(1) a mailing list server (2) e-mail software (3) Gopher (4) instant messaging (5) All

Q.196. A search engine __________.
(1) is software required to send e-mail messages. (2) is a program that searches e-mail attachments for viruses. (3) is a program that searches a database of web pages for keywords.

Q.197. In the formula box, click the formula box or highlight the formula and press the ______ key to switch between an absolute and relative cell reference.
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Q.200. In MS-Access, what are the different views to display a table?
(1) Datasheet View (2) Design View (3) Pivot Table & Pivot Chart View (4) All of the above (5) None of these

Malabar Naval exercise is a joint naval exercise between India, USA and Japan.
The amount of initial corpus in MUDRA is US$ 2.9 million.

- **Q.11 (4)** Input: 2744 , 10648 , 12167 , 1728 , 13824 , 15625
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- **Q.12 (3)       Q.13 (2)     Q.14 (3)     Q.15 (1)**

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For other options Exculpate(V)-show or declare that (someone) is not guilty of wrongdoing.

Stir(N)-Fuss

Pounce(V)-spring forward suddenly

Quay(N)-harbour

Subdued(Adj)- of a person or their manner) quiet and rather reflective.

Inadvertent(Adj)-accidental

Formidable(Adj)-daunting

Answer lies at 1st paragraph of the passage.

It can be understood that The GST radically rewrites the nature of Indian federalism.

And the GST is considered as one of the most significant economic reforms and it is also one of the most significant constitutional innovations.

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Statement (A) should not be taken as the answer because this act should be done ‘individually’ as per the passage but the statement says ‘collectively’.

Statement (B) should not be taken as the answer because this act should be done ‘collectively’ as per the passage but the statement says ‘distinctly’

Therefore the correct answer is statement (C)

In the 4th paragraph of the passage, it shows the autonomy of states was not curtailed by the restrictions of the revenues side.

T-Bills are the secured instruments of the Money Market.
According to Indian constitution a Finance Commission will be appointed by President of India.

### Quantitative Aptitude

**Q. 91. (4)**

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**Q. 96. (2)**

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\begin{align*}
1+7+4 &= 12 \\
\frac{4+1+2}{7+3+5} &= \frac{17}{105} \\
12+1 &= \frac{32}{105} \\
&\approx 13
\end{align*}
\]

**Q. 97. (1)**

\[78.625+79.056 = ? \approx 160\]

**Q. 98. (2)**

\[? \approx \frac{625}{14 \times 25} \approx 3\]

**Q. 99. (5)**

\[? \approx \frac{11539}{19 \times 18} \approx 35\]

**Q. 100. (3)**

\[\begin{align*}
\frac{27}{16} &= \frac{84}{17} = \frac{38}{7} = ? \\
? &= 45
\end{align*}\]

**Q. 101. (1)**

Let yellow = x, then Blue = 2x

\[
\frac{3 \times 2}{(8 + 3x)(7 + 3x)} = \frac{3}{136} = \frac{3 \times 2}{17 \times 16}
\]

3x = 9, 2x = 6

**Q. 102. (3)**

\[
\begin{align*}
\frac{3}{x} + \frac{5}{x} &= \frac{4}{11} \\
\frac{8}{x} &= \frac{4}{11} \times 2 \\
x &= 22
\end{align*}
\]

**Q. 103. (4)**

As we cannot find number of Blue and Yellow balls individually, answer will be can not be determined.

**Q. 104. (2)**

\[
\frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{3} \times \frac{3}{14} = \frac{12}{15} \times \frac{2}{14}
\]

Hence total Blue balls = 4

Total balls = 15

Yellow balls = 15 – (4 + 3 + 5) = 3 balls

**Q. 105. (3)**

\[
P(E) = \frac{3C_4 \times 5C_1 \times 3C_1 \times 5C_1}{16C_4}
\]

\[
= \frac{3 \times 5 \times 3 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2}{16 \times 15 \times 14 \times 13} = \frac{45}{364}
\]

**Q. 106. (3)**

Bill 1140 - 500+640

To be paid - 90% of 500 + 55% of 640

450 + 544 = Rs. 994

**Q. 107. (5)**

2040 = 500+1000+540

Total discount = 20% of 500 + 25% of 1000 + 30% of 540

= 100+250+162 = 512

Overall discount % = \[\frac{512}{2040} \times 100 = 25\%\]

**Q. 108. (2)**

\[\frac{112}{100} (350+750+1050+310) = 2755.2\]

**Q. 109. (4)**

Bill at 6 p.m. = 1360

Bill at 8 p.m. = 1210

Required percent = \[\frac{1210}{1360} \times 100 = 88\%\] (approx)

**Q. 110. (4)**

70% of 500 + 75% of 1000 + 70% of x = 350 + 750 + 7x

350 + 750 + 7x = 1730

7x = 1730 – 1100

7x = 630

x = 900

Hence her total bill was 500 + 1000 + 900 = Rs. 2400

**Q. 111. (3)**

By property

\[Q_1 = 2 \times 34.5 = 69^\circ\]

\[Q_2 = 70^\circ\]

Hence = Q_1 < Q_2

**Q. 112. (5)**

\[Q_1 = 65, Q_2 = \text{Can't be determined}\]

Hence we can not establish any relationship.
In Indian constitution Finance Commission is described under section 280.

Area = \(10 \times 10 \times \cos 30^\circ\).

Q.115.(2) Profit\% = Make number of articles equal = 60
\[\text{CP} = 40 \quad \text{SP} = 45\]
\[
p\% = \frac{5}{40} \times 100 = 12.5\%
\]
\[Q_2 = (\text{discount \%}) = \frac{1}{5+1} \times 100\%
\]
\[= 11\frac{1}{9}\%
\]
\[Q_1 > Q_2
\]

Q.116.(3) \(19\%\) of 2500 \times 100 = 158% 
10% of 3000 \times 100 = 300%

Q.117.(2) \(\frac{180}{9} \times 100 = 120 \times \frac{11}{100} = 2.25\) crore. = 264 crore

Q.118.(4) Can't be determined

Q.119.(1) \(11 \times \frac{18}{5} = 39.6\%
\]

Q.120.(3) 10\% of R-10\% of I = 15 crore
Clearly Budget is Surplus but we can't determine by how much.

Q.121.(4) \(S + \frac{S}{2} = \frac{L + 2L}{48} \quad \text{--------- (I)}\)
\[S = \frac{L + 150}{72} \quad \text{--------- (II)}\]
As two equations and two variables are there.

Q.122.(5) All three together are not sufficient as there are two such numbers 36 and 8.

Q.123.(4) \(\frac{15}{U} + \frac{15}{D} = 3 \quad \text{--------- (I)}\)
\[D = \frac{250}{60} \times \frac{15}{5} \quad \text{--------- (I)}\]
Here there are two equation and two variables hence both together are sufficient.

Q.124.(4) All statements are necessary to find that quadrilateral will be a Rhombus with angle 60\%.
India is the first country in the world to contribute in United Nation Trust Fund.
Q.1. Three persons A, B and C whose salaries together amount to Rs. 2880, spend 80%, 85% and 75% of their salaries respectively. If their savings are 8 : 9 : 20 respectively. Find B’s salary?
(A) Rs. 640  (B) Rs. 480  
(C) Rs. 960  (D) Rs. 1280

Q.2. In an examination 70% of candidates passed in statistics, 65% in Mathematics, 27% failed in both the subjects and 496 passed in both the subjects. Find the total number of candidates.
(A) 400  (B) 800  
(C) 600  (D) 900

Q.3. The population of a town is 8,000. If the males increases by 5% and females by 8%, the population would be 8520. Find the number of males in that town.
(A) 3000  (B) 4000  
(C) 5000  (D) 6000

Q.4. During one year the population of a village is increased by 5% and during the next year it diminished by 5%. If at the end of the second year the population was 1596, what was it at the beginning of the first?
(A) 800  (B) 1200  
(C) 1500  (D) 1600

Q.5. The total car production in India is 5880000, out of which 3,00,0000 are made by Maruti Suzuki. Out of every 1000 Maruti Suzuki cars 98 are black in colour but only 5.3% of the total car population is black. Find the percentage of non Maruti Suzuki cars that are black.
(A) 6.125%  (B) 0.6125%  
(C) 61.25%  (D) 0.06125%

Q.6. A man who makes a profit of 25% by selling an article at Rs. 4.25/kg lowers his price so as to gain only 17p/kg. In what ratio must his sales be increased so that his total profit may be the same as before?
(A) 1 : 6  (B) 1 : 5  
(C) 1 : 4  (D) 1 : 3

Q.7. A shopkeeper sold articles at Rs. 266 each after giving 5% discount on labelled price. Had he not given the discount, he would have earned a profit of 12% on the cost price. What was the cost price of each articles?
(A) 0.75y+0.25  (B) (4yz) / (3z+y)  
(C) xy/3z  (D) 0.75x+0.25z

Q.8. The marked price for a pair of articles is 60% above the cost price. A trader sells the pair of articles after giving a discount of k%. Now he raises the marked price by k% and gives a discount of (k+5)%. If the profit earned in the second case is twice that of the first case, find the value of k.
(A) 20  (B) 25  
(C) 10  (D) 15

Q.9. The amount of sugar at the rate of Rs. 6100 per quintal which should be added to 126 quintals of sugar costing Rs. 2850 per quintal so that 20% may be gained by selling the mixture at Rs. 4800 per quintal will be-
(A) 38 quintal  (B) 49 quintal  
(C) 69 quintal  (D) 71 quintal

Q.10. If the selling price of an articles is five time the discount offered and if the percentage of discount is equal to the percentage profit, find the ratio of the discount offered to the cost price.
(A) 11 : 30  (B) 1 : 5  
(C) 1 : 6  (D) 7 : 30

Q.11. When a manufacturer reduced an article’s selling price by 50%, the number of articles sold radically increased by 600%. Initially the manufacturer was getting only 140% profit. What is the percentage increase of his profit?
(A) 10%  (B) 14%  
(C) 0%  (D) 15%

Q.12. P sells an article to Q at a profit of 10% who in turn sells it to R. at a profit of 15% who in turn sells it to S at a profit of 25% and S sells it to T at 35% profit. If cost price of T’s articles is Rs. 853875. What is the cost price of A’s articles?
(A) Rs. 450000  (B) Rs. 360000  
(C) Rs. 500000  (D) Rs. 400000

Q.13. A car travelled 75% of the way from town P to town Q by travelling for x hours at an average speed of y km/h. It travels at an average speed of z km/h for the remaining part of the journey. What is the average speed of the entire journey?
(A) 0.75y+0.25  (B) (4yz) / (3z+y)  
(C) xy/3z  (D) 0.75x+0.25z
Q.14. Train-I left off at 4 p.m. and travelled at a constant speed of $p$ kmph. Train -II left off at 5 : 30 p.m. and by the same route as that of train-I at a constant speed of $q$ kmph. How many hours after 5 : 30 p.m. will the train-II overtake train-I?

(A) $\frac{3p}{2}$ hours  
(B) $\frac{3}{2q}$ hours  
(C) $\frac{3p}{2(p - q)}$ hours  
(D) $\frac{3p}{2(q - p)}$ hours

Q.15. A boat covers a certain distance downstream in a river in 3 hours. It covers the same distance upstream in $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours. If the speed of the boat is 19.5 km./h, then the speed of the water is:

(A) 2 kmph  
(B) 2.5 kmph  
(C) 1.5 kmph  
(D) 3 kmph

Q.16. Two boast P and Q start towards each other from two places, 216 km apart speed of the boat P and Q in still water are 12 kmph and 15 kmph respectively. If P proceeds down and Q up the stream, they will meet after.

(A) 9 hours  
(B) 8 hours  
(C) 10.8 hours  
(D) 12 hours

Q.17. The speed of a motor-bike in travelling a certain distance is inversely proportional to the square root of time taken by the bike. The bike takes $\frac{7}{9}$ hours to the same distance at a speed of 60 km/hr, then find the time taken by motorbike to travel the same distance at 40 km./hr.

(A) 2 hours  
(B) 3 hours  
(C) 4 hours  
(D) $\frac{7}{9}$ hours

Q.18. Three persons A, B, C travelled distance in the ratio 1 : 2 : 3. If the ratio of the time of travel is 3 : 2 : 1, then the ratio of their speeds is-

(A) 1 : 3 : 9  
(B) 9 : 1 : 3  
(C) 3 : 1 : 2  
(D) 1 : 9 : 3

Q.19. A train travelling with a uniform speed crosses two bridges of lengths 300 m and 240 m in 21 second and 18 seconds respectively. The speed of the train in m/s is-

(A) $\frac{50}{3}$ m/s  
(B) $\frac{100}{3}$ m/s  
(C) $\frac{66}{3}$ m/s  
(D) $\frac{66}{2}$ m/s

Q.20. Two pipes of length 1.5 m and 1.2 m are to be cut into equal pieces without leaving any extra length of pipes. The greatest length of the pipe pieces of same size which can be cut from these two lengths will be –

(A) 0.13 m  
(B) 0.4 m  
(C) 0.3 m  
(D) 0.41 m

Q.21. A man divided Rs. 150000 among his three sons, four daughters and wife each daughter got thrice the amount given to each son. His wife got Rs. 800 less than amount given to each son. How much total amount did all the sons get?

(A) Rs. 27285  
(B) Rs. 29245  
(C) Rs. 32045  
(D) Rs. 28275

Q.22. The product of two numbers is 63. If one number equals to “The number of wings of a bird plus 2 times the number of planet in solar system is divided by the number of wheels of a cycle”. Then the other number is

(A) 18  
(B) 9  
(C) 7  
(D) 21

Q.23. Rahul and Rohit each have certain number of oranges. Rahul says to Rohit,”If you give me 10 of your oranges, I will have twice the number of oranges left with you”. Rohit replies,”If you give me 10 of your oranges, I will have the same number of oranges as left with you”. What is the number of oranges with Rahul and Rohit, respectively?

(A) 50, 20  
(B) 70, 50  
(C) 20, 50  
(D) 50, 70

Q.24. Total number of natural numbers being the perfect square whose square root is equal to the sum of the digits of the perfect square is –

(A) 0  
(B) 1  
(C) 2  
(D) 12

Q.25. In two types of brass, the ratios of Copper to Zinc are 8:3 and 15:7 respectively. If the two types of brass be melted and mixed in the ratio 5:2 a new type of brass is obtained. The ratio of Copper to Zinc in this new type of brass is

(A) 3:2  
(B) 2:3  
(C) 3:4  
(D) 5:2

Q.26. An hour-long test has 100 problems. If a student completes 30 problems in 25 minutes, then the required time (in seconds) he has taken on average for computing each of the remaining problems is

(A) 70 seconds  
(B) 50 seconds  
(C) 40 seconds  
(D) 30 seconds
Q.27. A and B have their annual average income Rs. 80,000. B and C have their annual average income Rs. 75,000. C and A have their annual average income Rs. 78,000. The annual income of A is ?
(A) Rs. 81000  (B) Rs. 82000  
(C) Rs. 83000  (D) Rs. 84000

Q.28. In the first 10 overs of a cricket game, the run rate was only 4.2. The run rate in the remaining 40 overs to give the target of 281 runs is-
(A) 6.475  (B) 5.973  
(C) 5.25  (D) 5.975

Q.29. The average (arithmetic mean) amount of savings of 12 students is Rs. 600. Five of the students have no savings at all and each of the others have at least Rs. 350 including Shree, who has exactly Rs. 1350. The largest amount, in Rs., that any one student could have is
(A) 3750  (B) 4100  
(C) 4450  (D) 4350

Q.30. If \( x = \sqrt{5}, y = \sqrt{3}, z = \sqrt{4} \) then correct relationship is –
(A) \( x > y > z \)  (B) \( y < z < x \)  
(C) \( x < z > y \)  (D) None of these

Q.31. If \( xyz = 1 \) then find the value of
\[
\frac{1}{1+x+y^{-1}} + \frac{1}{1+y+z^{-1}} + \frac{1}{1+z+x^{-1}}
\]
(A) 1  (B) 0  
(C) \( xyz \)  (D) \( x+y+z \)

Q.32. If \( \frac{7^x + 7^y + 7^z + 7^x + 7^y + 7^z + 7^x + 7^y + 7^z}{7^x + 7^y} \)
\[
= \frac{3^x + 3^y + 3^z}{3^x + 3^y + 3^z + 3^x + 3^y + 3^z + 3^x + 3^y + 3^z} = 2^n
\]
then find the value of \( n \).
(A) 1  (B) 0  
(C) 2  (D) 3

Q.33. An amount of Rs. 12820 due 3 years hence is fully repaid in three annual instalments starting after 1 year. The first instalments is half of the second instalment and second instalment is two third of the third instalment. If the rate of interest is, 10 % per annum compounded annually. Find the first instalment?
(A) 2000  (B) 4000  
(C) 5000  (D) 6000

Q.34. Rs 1500 is invested for 5 years in scheme A which offers 14% p.a. simple interest. The amount received with some extra money is invested in scheme B for 2 years at the rate of 20% p.a compound interest (compounded annually). If the compound interest received from scheme B is Rs 1408/-, what was the additional money invested in scheme B?
(A) 650  (B) 450  
(C) 500  (D) 750

Q.35. In 3 years Rs 3000 amounts to Rs 3993 at \( x \)% compound interest, compounded annually. The value of \( x \) is
(A) 10  (B) 8  
(C) 5  (D) 12.33

Q.36. Working 7 hours in a day, 4 men can do a piece of work in 8 days. Working 8 hours in a day, the required number of men to perform the same work in 4 days will be-
(A) 8  (B) 4  
(C) 7  (D) 9

Q.37. P can do \( \frac{1}{4} \)th of work in 10 days, Q can do \( \frac{1}{2} \)rd of work in 40 days and R can do \( \frac{1}{3} \)rd of work in 13 days. Who will complete the work first?
(A) P  (B) Q  
(C) R  (D) Both P and R

Q.38. The time taken by 4 men to complete a job is double the time taken by 5 children to complete the same job. Each man is twice as fast as a woman. How long will 12 men, 10 children and 8 women take to complete a job, given that a child would finish the job in 20 days.
(A) 4 Days  (B) 3 Days  
(C) 2 Days  (D) 1 Days

Q.39. A and B together can complete a piece of work in 12 days. They worked together for 5 days and then A alone finished the rest work in 14 days. A alone can complete the work in.
(A) 24 days  (B) 22 days  
(C) 20 days  (D) 18 days

Q.40. If \( x \) and \( y \) are non zero rational unequal numbers, then
\[
\frac{(x + y)^2 - (x - y)^2}{x^2y - xy^2}
\]
is equal to-
(A) \( \frac{1}{xy} \)  (B) \( \frac{1}{x - y} \)  
(C) \( \frac{4}{x - y} \)  (D) \( \frac{2}{x - y} \)

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Q.41. If \( 2^x = 3^y = 6^z \), then \( \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} \) is equal to -

(A) 0 \hspace{1cm} (B) 1 \\
(C) \frac{3}{2} \hspace{1cm} (D) \frac{1}{2}

Q.42. If \( 5x^2 - 13xy + 6y^2 = 0 \) then \( x : y = ? \)

(A) 3 : 5 or 2 : 1 \hspace{1cm} (B) 5 : 3 or 1 : 2 \\
(C) 2 : 1 \hspace{1cm} (D) 3 : 5

Q.43. If \( \frac{a-x}{a} + \frac{2a-x}{2a} = \frac{3a-x}{3a} \) then what is the value of \( x \) ?

(A) \( \frac{1}{3a} \) \hspace{1cm} (B) 0 \\
(C) \frac{5a}{6} \hspace{1cm} (D) \frac{6a}{7}

Q.44. A train covers 1830 km. distance. The speed of the train is more than twice the time taken to cover the distance by 1. What is the respective ratio of speed of the train and the time taken to cover the distance?

(A) 30 : 61 \hspace{1cm} (B) 61 : 30 \\
(C) 25 : 51 \hspace{1cm} (D) 51 : 25

Q.45. ABCD is a cyclic quadrilateral. The diagonal BD bisects the angle B and D. Then \( \angle BAD \) is

(A) Acute angle \hspace{1cm} (B) Obtuse angle \\
(C) A right angle \hspace{1cm} (D) Cannot be determined

Q.46. A sphere has the same curved surface area as a cone of height 12 cm. and base radius 5 cm. Find the radius of sphere. (Approx)

(A) 6 cm. \hspace{1cm} (B) 4 cm. \\
(C) 5 cm. \hspace{1cm} (D) 3 cm.

Q.47. A triangle \( \triangle ABC \) is divided by a line HK parallel to BC into two parts AHK and HKCB of areas 9 cm\(^2\) and 16 cm\(^2\) respectively if \( BC = 7 \) cm, find HK.

(A) 4.2 cm \hspace{1cm} (B) 3.5 cm \\
(C) 4 cm \hspace{1cm} (D) 5.525 cm

Q.48. In what ratio will the volumes of a cylinder, a cone and a sphere, if each has the same diameter and height?

(A) 1 : 3 : 2 \hspace{1cm} (B) 2 : 3 : 1 \\
(C) 3 : 1 : 4 \hspace{1cm} (D) 3 : 2 : 1

Q.49. If \( \sec x + \cos x = 2 \), then the value of \( \sec^6 x + \cos^6 x \) will be:

(A) 0 \hspace{1cm} (B) 1 \\
(C) 2 \hspace{1cm} (D) \sqrt{3}

Q.50. If \( A \) is an acute angle and \( \cot A + \csc A = 3 \), then the value of \( \sin A \) is

(A) 0 \hspace{1cm} (B) 1 \\
(C) 3/5 \hspace{1cm} (D) 4/5

Q.51. If \( a = \sqrt{x + 2 + \sqrt{x - 2}} \), then the value of \( a^2 - ax \) is

(A) 0 \hspace{1cm} (B) 1 \\
(C) -1 \hspace{1cm} (D) 2

Q.52. The two banks of a canal are straight and parallel. A, B, C are three persons out of whom A stands on one bank and B and C on the opposite bank. B finds \( \angle ABC \) is 30\(^o\), while C finds that \( \angle ACB \) is 60\(^o\). If B and C are 100 meters apart, the breadth of the canal is:

(A) \( 20\sqrt{3} \) m \hspace{1cm} (B) \( 25\sqrt{3} \) m \\
(C) \( \frac{20}{\sqrt{3}} \) m \hspace{1cm} (D) \( \frac{25}{\sqrt{3}} \) m

Q.53. Two circles of diameters 10 cm and 6 cm have the same centre. A chord of the larger circle is a tangent of the smaller one. The length of the chord is:

(A) 4 cm \hspace{1cm} (B) 8 cm \\
(C) 7 cm \hspace{1cm} (D) 6 cm

Q.54. The average monthly salary of A and B is Rs. 25000, the average monthly salary of B & C is Rs. 32000 and the average monthly salary of A and C is Rs. 28000. What is B’s monthly salary?

(A) Rs. 29800 \hspace{1cm} (B) Rs. 32000 \\
(C) Rs. 30000 \hspace{1cm} (D) Rs. 29000

Q.55. If \( x = \frac{1}{2 + \sqrt{3}}, y = \frac{1}{2 - \sqrt{3}} \) the value of 8xy \((x^2+y^2)\) is:

(A) 110 \hspace{1cm} (B) 112 \\
(C) 196 \hspace{1cm} (D) 156

Q.56. The chord of a circle is equal to its radius. The angle subtended by this chord at the minor arc of the circle is:

(A) 60\(^o\) \hspace{1cm} (B) 120\(^o\) \\
(C) 150\(^o\) \hspace{1cm} (D) 135\(^o\)
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At the time of establishment, the authorized capital of AIIB was 150 Bn Dollar.

Q.57. If \(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = ab + bc + ca\) then the value of \(\frac{a+c}{b}\) is
(A) 0 (B) 1 (C) 2 (D) 3

Q.58. Two circles with centres at O and P have radii 8 cm and 4 cm respectively touches each other externally. The length of their common tangent is:
(A) 8 \(\sqrt{2}\) cm (B) 8 cm (C) 8.5 cm (D) 8 \(\sqrt{3}\) cm

Q.59. What is the minimum value of \(\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta + \sec^2 \theta + \tan^2 \theta + \cot^2 \theta\)?
(A) 5 (B) 7 (C) 3 (D) 9

Q.60. Large solid metallic cylinder whose radius and height are equal to each other is to be melted and 48 identical solid balls form the liquid metal so formed. What is the ratio of the radius of a ball to the radius of the cylinder?
(A) 4 : 1 (B) 1 : 4 (C) 8 : 1 (D) 1 : 8

Q.61. The ratio between the adjacent sides of a parallelogram is 1:2, the area of which is 1000 sq unit. If the altitude on the greatest side is 20 units, then find the altitude on the smallest one?
(A) 25 cm (B) 40 cm (C) 50 cm (D) 20 cm

Q.62. If \(\frac{\cos x}{1 + \cos x} = n\) and \(\frac{\sin x}{\sin y} = m\), then what is the value of \((m^2 - n^2) \sin^2 y - (A) 1 - m^2 (B) 1 - n^2 (C) n^2 (D) m^2\)

Q.63. The base of a right pyramid is a square of a side 16 m long. If its height be 15 cm, then the area of the lateral surface is?
(A) 520 (B) 544 (C) 540 (D) 534

Q.64. M is the midpoint of line segment PQ whose length is 30 cm, if three circle having diameter PQ, PM and QM are drawn at the same side of the line. Find the radius of the circle which can touch all the three circles?
(A) 15 cm (B) 3\(\pi\) cm (C) 20 cm (D) 10 cm

Q.65. A kite is in a shape of a square with a diagonal 36 cm is attach to an equilateral triangle of base 5 cm. Find the price of paper required to make 1000 such kites if the cost of paper is Rs. 4m²?
(A) Rs. 268 (B) Rs. 267.58 (C) Rs. 263.53 (D) Rs. 254.53

Q.66. Three circles of diameter 21 cm is bounded by a thread such that all the circles touches each other externally at a point. Find the length of the thread?
(A) 130 cm (B) 129 cm (C) 84\(\pi\) cm (D) 96\(\pi\) cm

Q.67. If \(\frac{\cos x}{\cos y} = n\) and \(\frac{\sin x}{\sin y} = m\), then what is the value of \((m^2 - n^2) \sin^2 y\)?
(A) 1-m² (B) 1-n² (C) n² (D) m²

Q.68. If AD, BE and CF are medians of \(\triangle ABC\), then which one of the following statements is correct?
(A) \(AD + BE + CF < AB + BC + CA\) (B) \(AD + BE + CF > AB + BC + CA\) (C) \(AD + BE + CF = AB + BC + CA\) (D) \(AD + BE + CF = 2(AB + BC + CA)\)

Q.69. The medians of a triangle ABC meet at G. If the area of the triangle be 120 sq. cm. then the area of \(\triangle GBC\) is -
(A) 30 sq. cm (B) 40 sq. cm (C) 50 sq. cm (D) 60 sq. cm

Q.70. Suppose AB is diameter of a circle whose centre is at O and C be any point on the circle. If CD = 12 cm, and AD = 16 cm, then BD is -
(A) 9 cm (B) 10 cm (C) 12 cm (D) 8 cm

Q.71. A, B and C are three points on a circle. The tangent at C meets BA produced at T. Given \(\angle ATC = 36^\circ\) and \(\angle ACT = 48^\circ\), the angle subtended by AB at the centre of the circle is -
(A) 48° (B) 36° (C) 96° (D) 20°

Q.72. A, B and C started a business with investment in the ratio of 5 : 4 : 6 respectively. After one year B withdrew half of his capital and A increased his capital by 40% of his investment. After two years in what ratio should the earned profit be distributed among A, B and C respectively?
(A) 1 : 2 : 1 (B) 2 : 1 : 2 (C) 2 : 2 : 1 (D) 1 : 2 : 2
Q.73. The present ages of A, B and C are in the ratio of 4 : 7 : 11 respectively. The present age of B, C and D are in the ratio of 14 : 22 : 33 respectively. Which of the following represents the ratio of the present ages of A, B, C and D respectively?
(A) 8 : 22 : 14 : 33    (B) 4 : 7 : 14 : 22
(C) 8 : 14 : 22 : 33    (C) 7 : 19 : 21 : 33

Q.74. G is the centroid of the equilateral \( \Delta ABC \). If \( AB = 15 \) cm then find the length of \( AG \) is:
(A) \( \frac{10\sqrt{3}}{2} \)    (B) \( 5\sqrt{3} \)
(C) \( \frac{15\sqrt{3}}{2} \)    (D) \( 15\sqrt{3} \)

Q.75. The sum of three numbers is 98. If the ratio of the first to the second is 2 : 3 and that of the second to the third is 5 : 8, then the second number is
(A) 20    (B) 30
(C) 38    (D) 48

Q.76. If the sum of the digits of an even number is divisible by 9, the number is always divisible by-
(A) 24    (B) 12
(C) 18    (D) 27

Q.77. In the three numbers, first is twice the second and thrice the third. If the average of the three numbers is 44, the first number is-
(A) 72    (B) 24
(C) 36    (D) 44

Q.78. Two numbers are such as the square of one is 224 less than 8 times the square of the other. If the numbers be in the ratio of 3:4, their values are
(A) 12,16    (B) 6, 8
(C) 9, 12    (D) None of these

Q.79. If \( a = \left( \sqrt{2} - 1 \right)^{2} \), then the value of \( a^{2} - \frac{1}{a^{2}} \) is
(A) 2    (B) 3
(C) 2\( \sqrt{3} \)    (D) 4

Q.80. Ram and Shyam work on a job together for four days and complete 60% of it. Then Ram leaves the job and the remaining work is completed by Shyam in 8 days. How long would Ram take to complete the entire job alone?
(A) 6 days    (B) 8 days
(C) 10 days    (D) 11 days

Q.81. Four litres are drawn from a cask full of wine; it is then filled with water. Four litres of mixture are again drawn and the cask is again filled with water. The quantity of wine now left in the cask is to that of wine in it as 36 : 13. How much wine does the cask hold?
(A) 20 litres    (B) 28 litres
(C) 36 litres    (D) 50 litres

Q.82. Four friends Saurabh, Basant, Rahul and Manish have 96 chocolates, which they distributed among themselves in such a way that if 3 is added to the number of chocolates Saurabh have, and if 3 is subtracted from the number of chocolates Basant have, if the number of chocolates Rahul have is divided by 3 and number of chocolates Manish have is multiplied by 3 then all the friends have equal number of chocolates. Find the number of chocolates Rahul have?
(A) 30    (B) 15    (C) 54    (D) 60

Q.83. Incomes of x and y are in the ratio 4 : 3. Their expenditure are in the ratio 12 : 7. Both saves Rs. 3200 at the end of the month, then the income of x is:
(A) 6000    (B) 5000    (C) 2000    (D) 8000

Q.84. An employer reduces the number of his employees in the ratio of 8 : 7 and increases their wages in the ratio of 15 : 16. If the original wage bill was Rs. 16400. Find the ratio in which the wage bill is decreased.
(A) 15 : 14    (B) 17 : 19
(C) 21 : 20    (D) 20 : 21

Q.85. If \(1^{3}+2^{3}+..............+9^{3} = 2025\), then the approximate value of \((0.11)^{3}+(0.22)^{3}+..............(0.99)^{3}\) is -
(A) 0.2695    (B) 2.695
(C) 3.695    (D) 0.3695

Q.86. Circle is inscribed in an equilateral triangle of side \(a\) what is the area of the square which is inscribed in this circle?
(A) \(a^{2}/3\)    (B) \(a^{2}/4\)    (C) \(a^{2}/6\)    (D) \(a^{2}/8\)

Q.87. Sum of the square of three consecutive natural numbers is 2030. Then what is the middle number.
(A) 25    (B) 26    (C) 27    (D) 28

Q.88. The diameter of a circle circumscribing a square is 10 cm. Its side will be -
(A) 5 cm    (B) \(5\sqrt{2}\) cm
(C) 10 cm    (D) \(10\sqrt{2}\) cm

Q.89. ABC is a triangle with base AB. D is a point on AB such that AB = 5 and BD = 3. What is the ratio of the area \(\Delta ADC\) to the area of \(\Delta ABC\)?
(A) \(\frac{3}{2}\)    (B) \(\frac{3}{5}\)    (C) \(\frac{2}{3}\)    (D) \(\frac{2}{5}\)
The lower limit of deposit under NSC is Rs. 100.

Q.90-94. Study the given graph and answer the following questions.

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Q.90. During which year the percentage increase in production was lowest as compared to previous year?
   (A) 2007 (B) 2008 (C) 2010 (D) 2011

Q.91. Percentage decrease in production from 2008 to 2009 is -
   (A) $11\frac{1}{9}$% (B) $12\frac{2}{3}$% (C) $11\frac{1}{3}$% (D) $11\frac{2}{9}$%

Q.92. During which year the percentage increase in production was highest as compared to the previous year?
   (A) 2006 (B) 2007 (C) 2008 (D) 2010

Q.93. The production in 2006 in comparison to the production in 2005 was -
   (A) 175% more (B) 200% more (C) 150% more (D) 100% more

Q.94. The percentage increase in production from 2005 to 2011 is -
   (A) 1000% (B) 500% (C) 200% (D) 250%

Q.95. The heighest difference between cost and revenue is in the years.
   (A) 2009 (B) 2007 (C) 2005 (D) 2012

Q.96. In which year was the heighest growth in revenue noticed.
   (A) 2008 (B) 2009 (C) 2007 (D) 2010

Q.97. The percentage decrease in the profit percentage from 2007 to 2008 is approximately.
   (A) 50% (B) 75% (C) 65% (D) 30%

Q.98-100. Study the following pie graph carefully to answer these questions-

Average Monthly Expenditure of an organisation under various heads.

(Total Expenditure Rs. 18,50,000)

- Canteen, 8%
- Medical to staff, 6%
- Electricity, 12%
- Telephone, 15%
- Transport, 10%
- Water, 11%
- Salary, 20%
- Loans to staff, 18%

Q.98. What is the difference between the expenditure on salary to staff and loans to staff?
   (A) Rs.37,200 (B) Rs.37,000 (C) Rs.35,700 (D) Rs.35,000

Q.99. What was the total expenditure on electricity and water together?
   (A) Rs.4,25,000 (B) Rs.4,22,500 (C) Rs.4,25,500 (D) Rs.4,25,800

Q.100. A shopkeeper allow two successive discount of 10% and 20% on a marked price of Rs. 5000 of a bicycle. He had to give a further discount equal to 20% of his cost price on his new selling price as a result of which he made neither a profit nor a loss. Find the cost price of the bicycle.
   (A) Rs. 3000 (B) Rs. 3600 (C) Rs. 4500 (D) Rs. 4000
Q.1.(C) Ratio between expenditures of A, B and C

= 80% : 85% : 75%

savings ratio = 20% : 15% : 25%

20% : 15% : 25% = 8 : 9 : 20

\( \frac{1}{5} \) of A’s salary : \( \frac{3}{20} \) of B’s salary = 8 : 9

A’s salary : B’s salary = \( \frac{3 \times 8 \times 5}{20 \times 9} = 2 : 3 \)

\( \frac{3}{20} \) of B’s salary : \( \frac{1}{4} \) of C’s salary = 9 : 20

B’s salary : C’s salary = 3 : 4

A : B : C = 2 : 3 : 4

B’s salary = \( \frac{3}{9} \times 2880 = 960 \)

Q.2.(B) Failed candidates in statistics

= (100–70)% = 30%

Failed candidates in Mathematics = (100–65)% = 35%

Total passed candidates = 100–[35%+30%–27%]

= 62%

62% = 496

100% = \( \frac{496}{62} \times 100 = 800 \)

Q.3.(B) \( x \times \frac{105}{100} + (8000 - x) \times \frac{108}{100} = 8520 \)

105x+8000×108−108x = 8520×100

−3x=852000−864000

−3x = −12000

x = 4000

Q.4.(D) Required population

= \( 1596 \times \frac{100}{100 + 5} \times \frac{100}{100 - 5} \)

= \( 1596 \times \frac{100}{105} \times \frac{100}{95} = 1600 \)

Q.5.(B) Total no. of Maruti Suzuki cars = 3000000

No. of non-Maruti Suzuki cars = 5880000–300000 = 2880000

Now, no of black Maruti Suzuki cars

= \( 3000000 \times \frac{98}{1000} = 294000 \)

No. of black cars out of total cars

= \( 5880000 \times \frac{5.3}{100} = 311640 \)

So, no of non-Maruti suzuki black cars

= 311640–294000 = 17640

Required% = \( \frac{17640}{2880000} \times 100 = 0.6125\% \)

Q.6.(B) Let number of articles sold originally = 100 kg.

S.P. = 4.25×100 = Rs. 425

C.P. = \( \frac{425 \times 100}{125} = Rs. 340 \)

C.P. per kg = Rs. 3.40

Profit = 425–340 = 85

(3.40+0.17)x–3.40x = 85

0.17x = 85

x = 500

Required ratio = 100 : 500 = 1 : 5

Required cost price

= \[ \frac{100 \times 100 \times 266}{(100 - 5)(100 + 12)} \]

= \[ \frac{100 \times 100 \times 266}{95 \times 112} \]

= 250

Q.8.(B) Let the C.P. = Rs. 100

Then,

\[ 2 \left[ 160 \left( \frac{100 - k}{100} \right) - 100 \right] \]\n
\[ = \frac{2 \left[ 160 \left( \frac{100 + k}{100} \right) \left( \frac{100 - (k + 5)}{100} \right) - 100 \right]}{100} \]

\[ = \frac{2 \left[ 16000 - 160k - 10000 \right]}{100} \]

\[ = \frac{2 \left[ 6000 - 160k \right]}{100} \]
Commercial paper is an unsecured instrument of “Money Market”.

Let the cost price of A’s article = Rs. \( x \)
Cost price of E’s article = \( 1.1 \times 1.15 \times 1.25 \times 1.35 \times x \)
\[
\frac{853875}{1.1 \times 1.15 \times 1.25 \times 1.35} = x
\]
x = 400000

Q.12(D)

Let the speed of current = \( y \) kmph
Distance = 216 km
Relative speed = \( 12 + y + 15 - y \) = 27
Required time = \( \frac{216}{27} = 8 \) hours
Q.17.(C) Let the speed of the motorbike = v kmph and time taken by the motorbike = T hours

According to question

\[ v \propto \frac{k}{\sqrt{T}} \]

\[ v = \frac{k}{\sqrt{T}} \quad \text{--------- (A)} \]

\[ \frac{60}{\sqrt{16}} = \frac{60}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{3k}{4} \]

k = 80

from given condition

\[ \frac{40}{\sqrt{16}} = 2 \]

\[ T = 4 \text{ hours} \]

Q.18.(A) Distance = 1 : 2 : 3

Time = 3 : 2 : 1

we know that,

\[ \text{speed} = \frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Time}} = \frac{1}{3} : \frac{1}{1} : \frac{3}{9} \]

= 1 : 3 : 9

Q.19.(B) Let speed of the train be s m/s and its length be l m.

According to question,

\[ \frac{l + 300}{s} = 21 \]

\[ \frac{l + 300}{21} = s \quad \text{--------- (I)} \]

\[ \frac{l + 200}{18} = s \quad \text{--------- (II)} \]

from (I) and (II)

\[ \frac{l + 300}{21} = \frac{l + 200}{18} \]

\[ 6l + 1800 = 7l + 1400 \]

l = 400

from (A)

\[ \frac{400 + 300}{21} = 8 \]

\[ \Rightarrow s = \frac{700}{21} = \frac{100}{3} \]

0.3 m

Q.20.(C) Let each son get Rs. x each daughter get Rs. 3x and wife got = Rs. (x-800)

According to question

\[ 3x + 4 (3x) + (x-800) = 150000 \]

\[ 3x + 12x + x = 150800, \quad 16x = 150800 \]

x = Rs. 9425

Sum of son’s amount = 3x = 3 × 9425 = Rs. 28275

Q.22.(C) 7

Q.23.(B) 70, 50

Q.24.(B) 1 and 81

Q.25.(D) 5:2

Q.26.(D) Rs. 83000

Q.28.(D) 5.975

Q.29.(B) 4350

Q.30.(B) y < z < x

Q.31.(A) 1

Q.32.(D) 3

Q.33.(A) 2000

Q.34.(A) 650

Q.35.(A) 10%

Q.36.(C) 7

Q.37.(C) R

Q.38.(D) 1 Day

Q.39.(A) 24 days

Q.40.(C) \[(a+b)^2 - (a-b)^2 = 4ab\]

\[ \frac{(x+y)^2 - (x-y)^2}{x^2y - xy^2} = \frac{4xy}{xy(x-y)} = \frac{4}{x-y} \]

Q.41.(A) \[ 2^2 = 3^v = 6^z = k \]

\[ 2 = k^{\frac{1}{v}} \]
New name of “No Frill Account” is Basic saving bank deposit account.

\[ 6 = k^{1/2} \]
\[ 2 \times 3 = 6 \]
\[ k^{1/2} \times k^{1/2} = k^{-1/2} \]
\[ \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{-1}{z} \]
\[ \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z} = 0 \]

Q.42(A) \[ 5x^2 - 13xy + 6y^2 = 0 \]
\[ 5x^2 - \frac{13xy}{y^2} + \frac{6y^2}{y^2} = 0 \]
\[ 5x^2 - \frac{10x - 3x}{y} + \frac{6}{y} = 0 \]
\[ 5x\left( \frac{x}{y} - 2 \right) - 3 \left( \frac{x - 2}{y} \right) = 0 \]
\[ \frac{x}{y} - 2 \left( \frac{5x}{y} - 3 \right) = 0 \]

\[ x = 2 \text{ or } \frac{3}{5} \]

Q.43(D) \[ \frac{a - x}{a} + \frac{2a - x}{2a} = \frac{3a - x}{3a} \]
\[ 1 - \frac{x}{a} + 1 - \frac{x}{2a} = 1 - \frac{x}{3a} \]
\[ \frac{x}{a} + \frac{x}{2a} - \frac{x}{3a} = 1 + 1 - 1 \]
\[ \frac{7x}{6a} = 1 \]
\[ x = \frac{6a}{7} \]

Q.44(B) Distance = speed \times time
Ratio = 61 \times 30
61 \times 30 = 1830

Q.45(C) \[ \angle B + \angle D = 180^\circ \]
\[ \angle B \div \angle D = 90^\circ \]

Q.46.(B)
Q.47.(A)
Q.48.(C)
Q.49.(C) \[ \sec x + \cosh = 2 \]
\[ 1 + \cos^2 x = 2 \cos x \]
\[ \cos^2 x - 2 \cos x + 1 = 0 \]
\[ (\cos x - 1)^2 = 0 \]
\[ \cos x = 1 \]
\[ \sec^{6\alpha} + \cos^{6\alpha} x = 1 + 1 = 2 \]

Q.50.(C) \[ \cot A + \cosec A = 3 \]
\[ \frac{\cos A}{\sin A} + \frac{1}{\sin A} = 3 \]
\[ \cos A + 1 = 3 \sin A \]
\[ \cos^2 A = 9 \sin^2 A + 1 - 6 \sin A \]
\[ 1 - \sin^2 A = 9 \sin^2 A + 1 - 6 \sin A \]
\[ 10 \sin^2 A - 6 \sin A = 0 \]
\[ 10 \sin^2 A = 6 \sin A \]
\[ \sin A = \frac{6}{10} = \frac{3}{5} \]

Q.51.(C) \[ \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 2} + \sqrt{x - 2}}{\sqrt{x^2 - 2}} \]
\[ = \frac{x + 2 + x - 2 + 2 \sqrt{x^2 - 2} \times \sqrt{x - 2}}{x + 2 - x - 2} \]
\[ = \frac{2x + 2 \sqrt{x^2 - 4}}{4} = \frac{x + \sqrt{x^2 - 4}}{2} \]
\[ a^2 - ax = a(a-x) \]
\[ = \frac{x + \sqrt{x^2 - 4}}{2} \left( x + \sqrt{x^2 - 4} - 2x \right) \]
\[ = \frac{-x^2 + x^2 - 4}{4} = -1 \]
Full form of ATS is Anti-terrorism squad.
Opposite of “INFLATION” is Deflation.

Q.68.(A) In \(\triangle ABD\)
\[AD + BD > AB \quad \text{(I)}\]
In \(\triangle BEC\)
\[BE + CE > BC \quad \text{(II)}\]
In \(\triangle AFC\)
\[CF + AF > AC \quad \text{(III)}\]
From (I) + (II) + (III)
\[AD + BE + CF + BD + CE + AF > AB + BC + AC\]
\[AD + BE + CF > \frac{(AB + BC + AC)}{2}\]
\[(AD + BE + CE) < AB + BC + AC\]

Q.69.(B)
\[\triangle GBC = \triangle ABC\]
\[\frac{120}{3} = 40 \text{ cm}^2\]

Q.70.(A)
Let \(BD = x\)
\[AC = \sqrt{16^2 + 12^2} = \sqrt{256 + 144} = 20\]
\[BC = \sqrt{144 + x^2} = \frac{1}{2} \times 20 \times \sqrt{144 + x^2} = \frac{1}{2} \times 12(16 + x)\]
\[10 \times \sqrt{144 + x^2} = 6(16 + x)\]
\[100 \times (144 + x^2) = 36(256 + x^2 + 32x)\]
\[3600 + 25x^2 = 2304 + 9x^2 + 288x\]
\[16x^2 - 288x + 1296 = 0\]
\[x^2 - 18x + 81 = 0\]
\[x = 9 \text{ cm}\]

Q.71.(C)
\[\angle ATC = 36^\circ \times \angle ACT = 48^\circ\]
\[\angle TAC = 180^\circ - 36^\circ - 48^\circ = 96^\circ\]
\[\angle CAB = 84^\circ\]
\[\angle OAC = \angle OCA = 42^\circ\]
\[\angle OAB = \angle OBA = 42^\circ\]
\[\angle AOB = 180^\circ - 84^\circ = 96^\circ\]

Q.72.(B)

Q.73.(C)
\[A : B : C = 4 : 7 : 11\]
\[B : C : D = 14 : 22 : 33\]
\[A : B : C : D = 8 : 14 : 22 : 33\]

Q.74.(B)
Length of \(AD = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \times 15 = \frac{15\sqrt{3}}{2} \text{ cm}\)
So length of \(AG = \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{15\sqrt{3}}{2} = 5\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}\)

Q.75.(B)

Q.76.(C)
\[(x-y) = 9\]
\[\Rightarrow 2(x+y) = 18\]

Q.77.(A)

Q.78.(B)
Let number be \(3x\) and \(4x\)
\[8 \times 9x^2 - 16x^2 = 224\]
\[\Rightarrow 56x^2 = 224\]
\[x = 2\]
6, 8

Q.79.(A)
\[a = \left(\sqrt{2} - 1\right)^\frac{1}{2}\]
\[a^2 = \left(\sqrt{2} - 1\right)^{-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} - 1}\]
\[\frac{1}{a^2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} - 1}\]
Cooperative banks are governed by Banking regulation act 1949 & Cooperative society act 1965.

\[ a^2 - \frac{1}{a^2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} - 1} - \sqrt{2} - 1 \]
\[ = \frac{1 - (2 + 1 - 2\sqrt{2})}{\sqrt{2} - 1} = \frac{2(\sqrt{2} - 1)}{(\sqrt{2} - 1)} = 2 \]

Q.80.(C)
Q.81.(B)
Q.82.(C)
Q.83.(D)
Q.84.(A) Required ratio = \(8 \times 15 : 7 \times 16\)
\[ = 120 : 112 = 15 : 14 \]
Q.85.(B)
Q.86.(C) Length of an equilateral triangle is = \(a\)
Radius of incircle = \(x = \frac{a\sqrt{3}}{2} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{a}{2\sqrt{3}}\)
Diameter of incircle = \(2 \times \left( \frac{a}{2\sqrt{3}} \right) = \frac{a}{\sqrt{3}}\)

Let side of the square be \(x\).
\[ \frac{a^2}{3} = x^2 + x^2 \]
Area of the square \(x^2 = \frac{a^2}{6}\)

Q.87.(B) Let the consecutive even number is are \(n, n+1, n+2\)
\(n^2 + (n+1)^2 + (n+2)^2 = 2030\)
\(n^2 + n^2 + 2n + 4n + 4n = 2030\)
\(3n^2 + 6n - 2025 = 0\)
\(n^2 + 2n - 675 = 0\)
\(n^2 + 27n - 25n - 675 = 0\)
\((n+27)(n-25) = 0\)
\(n = 25\)

Q.88.(B)

\[ \text{In } \triangle ABC, AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 \]
\[ \Rightarrow AC^2 = 2AB^2, \Rightarrow 2AB^2 = 100 \]
\[ \Rightarrow AB = \frac{10}{\sqrt{2}} = 5\sqrt{2} \text{ cm.} \]

Q.89.(D)

\[ \triangle ABC, AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 \]
\[ \Rightarrow AC^2 = 2AB^2, \Rightarrow 2AB^2 = 100 \]
\[ \Rightarrow AB = \frac{10}{\sqrt{2}} = 5\sqrt{2} \text{ cm.} \]

Q.90.(D) 2011
Q.91.(A) Required% = \(\frac{900 - 800}{900} \times 100 = 11\frac{1}{9}\%\)
Q.92.(A) 2006
Q.93.(D) Production in 2006 was = \(\frac{400}{200} \times 100 = 200\%\), \(\Rightarrow 100\%\) more

Q.94.(B) Req.% = \(\frac{1200 - 200}{200} \times 100 = 500\%\)
Q.95.(A) 2009
Q.96.(B) 2009
Q.97.(D) 30%
Q.98.(B) Req.difference

\[ = 18,50,000 \times \left( \frac{20}{100} - \frac{18}{100} \right) \]
\[ = 18,500 \times 2 = \text{Rs.} 37,000 \]
Q.99.(C) Req. expenditure = \(18,50,000 \times \left( \frac{12}{100} + \frac{11}{100} \right) \]
\[ = 18500 \times 23 = \text{Rs.} 4,25,500 \]
Q.100.(D)

\[ 5000 \times \frac{90}{100} - \frac{80}{100} = x \times \frac{120}{100} \]
\[ x = \text{Rs.} 3000 \]
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TOP NOTCH CAPTIVATORS OF THE MONTH

1. Incumbent Governor of Manipur, Najma Heptulla, was appointed as the Chancellor of Jamia Millia Islamia.

2. Sanjiv Singh has taken over as the Chairman of country’s biggest company Indian Oil Corporation (IOC).

3. Bollywood actor Jacqueline Fernandez was awarded with the International Humanitarian Award in Editor's Choice category of Asian Voice Charity Awards.

4. Israeli author David Grossman has won the Man Booker International Prize for his novel “A Horse Walks into a Bar.”

5. John G Avildsen, who won an Oscar for directing the 1976 "Rocky", starring Sylvester Stallone, has passed away.

6. Railway Minister Suresh Prabhu flagged off the much-awaited Tejas Superfast Express from Mumbai to Karmali in Goa.

7. India and Spain signed seven agreements, including cyber security and technical cooperation in civil aviation.

8. Kerala’s first metro line was flagged off by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

9. Veteran Nepalese politician Sher Bahadur Deuba was elected as Nepal’s Prime Minister for the fourth time.

10. The World Bank will extend a loan of USD 36 million to improve the efficiency of public expenditure management in Himachal Pradesh.
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