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Current Affairs

English

Q:1 Who among the following inaugurated the 5th edition of Meghalaya Games 2024 on January 15th, 2024 at Tura, Meghalaya?

1. Amit Shah
2. Kiren Rijiju
3. Droupadi Murmu
4. Hemanta Biswas

Q:2 Vice President Jagdeep Dhankar and Union Minister Shri Kiren Rijiju recently graced the occasion as the Chief Guest at _____ foundation day of Indian Meteorological Department (IMD).

1. 160th
2. 150th
3. 130th
4. 120th

Q:3 Who among the following took over as Commandant, Indian Naval Academy Ezhimala on 15th January 2024?

1. Vineet McCarty
2. Rajeev Shukhla
3. Ranjan Gogoi
4. Shekhar Gupta

Q:4 The Indian Post Payment Bank (IPPB) which recently achieved a milestone of 8 crore customers was established in _____ by the Department of Posts, Ministry of Communication.

1. 2016
2. 2014
3. 2013
4. 2018

Q:5 Name the Operation recently launched by the Indian Army to neutralise terrorists on both sides of the Pir Panjal Range in Jammu and Kashmir.

1. Sarpvinash
2. Sarvashakti
3. Sarvavinash
4. Trinetra

Q:6 What is Makar Sankranti celebrated across India on January 14 every year called in Gujarat?

1. Paush Parbon
2. Uttarayan
3. Bhogali Bihu
4. Saen-Kraat

Q:7 The Indigenous variety of Dates of Kutch namely _____ received a Geographical Indication Tag from Controller General of Patents, Designs and TradeMarks(CGPDT) of India.

1. Kachchhi Kharek
2. Kachchhi Dates
3. Kharek Dates
4. Arabi Dates

Q:8 The Kalaram Temple recently visited by PM Narendra Modi has historical significance as agitation for Temple entry rights for Dalits were led by _____ from this Temple.

1. EV Ramaswami Naicker (Periyar)
2. BR Ambedkar
3. Jyotiba Phule
4. Atmaram Pandurang

Q:9 Researchers from University of Mizoram's Zoology department have discovered a new species of Coral Snake named Sinomicrurus Gorei from the Hilly areas of Mizoram also called as _____ locally.

1. Rulghihna
2. Rosiquino
3. Javehlinea
4. Histeromaccan

Q:10 On 15 January 2024, the _____ edition of Indian Army Day was observed to commemorate the occasion when Field Marshal KM Cariappa became the First Commander in Chief of the Indian Army.

1. 77th
2. 76th
3. 73rd
4. 70th

Answer Key

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| 1. (3) | 2. (2) | 3. (2) | 4. (4) | 5. (2) |
| 6. (2) | 7. (1) | 8. (2) | 9. (1) | 10. (2) |

Answers and Solutions

Q:1 The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **Droupadi Murmu**

The President of India Shrimati Droupadi Murmu recently inaugurated the 5th edition of Meghalaya Games 2024 on January 15th, 2024 at Tura. The event is being organised by Meghalaya State Olympic Association (MSOA) and District Administration of West Garo Hills.

Q:2 The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **150th**

The Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) celebrated its 150th Foundational Day on January 15th, 2024. Vice President Jagdeep Dhankar and Union Minister Shri Kiren Rijiju graced the occasion as Chief guest at the event. Various initiatives like Panchayat Mausam Seva, Mausam Gram, National Framework of Climate Services were launched at the event.

Q:3 The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **Rajeev Shukhla**

Vice Admiral Vineet McCarty commissioned into the Indian Navy on 1st July 1989 took over as Commandant, Indian Naval Academy Ezhimala on 15th January 2024. He is a graduate of Defence Services Staff College, Wellington in 2005 and National Defense College, New Delhi in 2017.

Q:4 The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **2018**

The Indian Post Payment Bank (IPPB) under the Department of Posts achieved a new milestone of Eight crore customers. More than eight crore Customers are benefitting from innovative and inclusive financial services of IPPB. The IPPB was launched on September 1, 2018.

Q:5 The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **Sarvashakti**

The Indian Army in a mission to flush out terrorists who ambushed Indian Troops in Rajouri and Poonch, launched a massive "Operation Sarvashakti" in Jammu and Kashmir. Under the Mission terrorists operating in both sides of Pir Panjal range will be neutralised by the Indian Armed Forces. The Indian Army's four soldiers were killed on December 21 in the terrorist attack in Dera ki Gali Area.

Q:6 The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **Uttarayan**

The celebrations of Makar Sankranti were held across many states of India on January 14. The festival is celebrated under many names across different states like Pongol in Tamil Nadu, Uttarayan in Gujarat, Lohri in Punjab, Khichdi Parwa in Bihar etc. The day marks the sun changing its direction and trajectory towards north thereby entering Makara or Capricorn Zodiac Sign.

Q:7 The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Kachchhi Kharek**

The Indigenous variety of Dates of Kutch namely "Kachchhi Kharek" received a Geographical Indication Tag from Controller General of Patents, Designs and TradeMarks (CGPDT) of India. Kachchhi Kharek becomes the second fruit of Gujarat to get a GI tag. The Dates in Kachchh are expected to be around 400-500 years old.

Q:8 The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **BR Ambedkar**

The Prime Minister of India Shri Narendra Modi recently visited the Kalaram Mandir located on the banks of River Godavari in the Panchvati area of Nashik in Maharashtra. The temple has historical significance as agitation for Temple entry rights for Dalits were led by Dr BR Ambedkar from Kalaram Temple.

Q:9 The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Rulghihna**

Researchers from University of Mizoram's Zoology department have discovered a new species of Coral Snake named Sinomicrurus Gorei from the Hilly areas of Mizoram. The snake species is named after British Indian Doctor Gore. The Species is locally called "Rulghihna" due to resemblance to Mizo Traditional amber necklace called "Thihna".

Q:10 The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **76th**

The Indian Army Day is observed annually on January 15 to commemorate the occasion when Field Marshal KM Cariappa became the First Commander in Chief of the Indian Army. It was on this day in 1949 when KM Cariappa took over Authority from British Commander in Chief General Francis Butcher.