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**Q:1** The first ever international cricket match with double super over was played between \_\_\_\_\_.

1. India and Afghanistan
2. England and New Zealand
3. India and New Zealand
4. Australia and West Indies

**Q:2** Smart Cities Expo 2024 held from January 17 to 19, 2024 was organized in which city?

1. Kolkata
2. Bangalore
3. Surat
4. New Delhi

**Q:3** IREDA has signed an MoU to collaborate on co-lending and loan syndication for a variety of Renewable Energy projects across India with which bank?

1. Bank of Baroda
2. Indian Overseas Bank
3. State Bank of India
4. Indian Bank

**Q:4** Which company has received the ICAI Award for Outstanding Financial Reporting for the fiscal year 2022-23?

1. Power Finance Corporation
2. NTPC Limited
3. Power Grid Corporation of India
4. REC Limited

**Q:5** The Ministry of Railways has set the target to make Railways environmentally friendly by \_\_\_\_\_.

1. 2040
2. 2035
3. 2030
4. 2027

**Q:6** How many children will be awarded the Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar 2024 by the President of India Smt Droupadi Murmu?

1. 18
2. 21
3. 16
4. 19

**Q:7** The textile ministry has shown greenlight to how

many technical textiles projects worth 103 crores at the 8th NTTM Meeting?

1. 11
2. 14
3. 13
4. 17

**Q:8** Who inaugurated the Young Scientist Conference at IISF(India International Science Festival) 2023?

1. Kiren Rijju
2. Narendra Modi
3. Dharmendra Pradhan
4. Smriti Irani

**Q:9** During the India International Science Festival 2023 a Joint Committee of Science and Technology (JCST) meeting was held between India and \_\_\_\_\_.

1. United Kingdom
2. Germany
3. France
4. Switzerland

**Q:10** Name the science literature festival held as a part of the India International Science Festival 2023.

1. India Sci-fest 2023
2. Vigyanika 2023
3. C.V. Raman Science Fest 2023
4. Scientifica 2023



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### Answer Key

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

### Answers and Solutions

**Q:1** The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **India and Afghanistan**.

India vs Afghanistan third T20I match played on 17th Jan 2024 created history to become the first international match that went to the second super over after the first super over tie. This happened due to the changes in ICC rules after the super over tie in the cricket world cup 2019 final between England and New Zealand. Before that, if the super over tied, the winner was decided by the boundary count.

**Q:2** The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **New Delhi**.

The 9th Smart Cities India Expo, held from January 17 to 19, 2024, at Pragati Maidan in New Delhi, showcases the achievements of the Smart Cities Mission. The National Pavilion features impactful projects such as Indore Smart City's Chappan Dukaan, Surat Smart City's Connecting Past with Future, Udaipur Smart City's Area-Based Development, and Prayagraj Smart City's Digitization of Manuscripts.

**Q:3** The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **Indian Overseas Bank**.

IREDA and Indian Overseas Bank (IOB) have signed an MoU to collaborate on co-lending and loan syndication for a variety of Renewable Energy projects across India. The agreement encompasses co-lending and co-origination support for all Renewable Energy projects, streamlining loan syndication and underwriting processes, managing Trust and Retention Account (TRA) for IREDA borrowers, and working towards fixed interest rates over a 3-4-year period for IREDA borrowings.

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

REC Limited, a leading NBFC under the Ministry of Power, receives the ICAI Award for Excellence in Financial Reporting for FY 2022-23 in the 'Financial Services Sector (Other than Banking and Insurance)' category. The award, presented by the Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh, acknowledges REC's outstanding accounting practices, disclosure policies, presentation of financial statements,

and compliance with Indian Accounting Standards and regulations.

**Q:5** The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **2030**.

The Ministry of Railways aims to make Indian Railways environmentally friendly by 2030, implementing significant measures to address global warming and combat climate change. These measures include railway electrification, enhancing energy efficiency in locomotives, trains, and installations, obtaining green certification for stations, and transitioning to renewable energy sources. The strategy is geared towards achieving net-zero carbon emissions, and Indian Railways has undertaken substantial initiatives to embrace environmentally sustainable practices.

**Q:6** The correct answer is **option 4** i.e. **19**.

President of India Smt Droupadi Murmu to Award 19 Exceptional Children with Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar 2024 at Vigyan Bhawan on January 22. Prime Minister Modi to Interact with Awardees on January 23. Minister Smriti Irani to Congratulate the Awardees for Excellence in Art and Culture, Bravery, Innovation, Science & Technology, Social Service, and Sports. The Awards Recognize Outstanding Achievements in the Age Group 5-18 Years. Special Efforts Made to Increase Nominations, Using Artificial Intelligence and NCPDR Recommendations for Selection Process.

**Q:7** The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **11**.

Union Minister Piyush Goyal, at the 8th NTTM Meeting, stressed collaborative efforts for indigenous technical textiles. The Ministry approved 11 projects worth INR 103 crores, spanning Protech, Meditech, Mobitech, Buildtech, Smart Textiles, and Sustainable Textiles. A key project focuses on high-strength carbon fiber for strategic applications, contributing to India's self-reliance.

**Q:8** The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Kiren Rijju**.

Kiren Rijju Inaugurates Young Scientist Conference at IISF 2023, Emphasizes Role of Young Scientists in India's Future. The Union Cabinet Minister highlighted the YSC's pivotal role in nurturing aspiring researchers, connecting science with society, and addressing global challenges like climate change.

**Q:9** The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **France**.

The second Indo-French Joint Committee of Science and Technology (JCST) meeting focused on enhancing the



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Indo-French scientific partnership. Co-chaired by Prof Abhay Karandikar and Dr Claire Giry, the committee discussed leveraging the successful CEFIPRA model for collaborations in emerging technologies.

**Q:10** The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **Vigyanika 2023**.

The Science Literature Festival 'Vigyanika 2023' is an integral part of the India International Science Festival 2023. The inaugural ceremony highlighted the festival's commitment to fostering scientific awareness, featuring distinguished guests like Prof. Ranjana Aggarwal, Dr. Dinakar M. Salunke, Dr. Subhra Chakraborty, and Shri. A Jayakumar.

