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Q:1 Who among the following becomes the first female Premier League referee?

1. Rebecca Welch
2. Antonia De silva
3. Joseph Hungary
4. Julie Cartrez

Q:2 Which among the following schemes provided data for employment related statistics to MoSPI?

1. EPF
2. PMJAY
3. PMF
4. AIM

Q:3 Under the Viability Gap Funding (VGF) scheme 4000 Mwh of the BESS projects are to be developed by _____.

1. 2040
2. 2025
3. 2030
4. 2035

Q:4 New species of Bacteria named "Pantoea Tagorei" has been discovered from soil samples collected at _____.

1. Khetri Mines
2. KGF
3. Jharia Coal Mine
4. Sonbhadra Mine

Q:5 The researchers at _____ have marked a major milestone towards achieving near limitless clean energy at scale by reportedly producing Nuclear Fusion Ignition for the first time.

1. CERN
2. NIF
3. NASA
4. IGTF

Q:6 Who conducted the 2nd National Level Stakeholder Workshop on Wildlife Health and One Health Collaboration?

1. CZO
2. WII
3. NTCA
4. ICAR

Q:7 Which among the following airports has been named as the World's Most Beautiful Airport in a recent announcement from UNESCO's Prix Versailles 2023?

1. Kempegowda Airport, Bangalore
2. Indira Gandhi International Airport, Delhi
3. CSM International Airport, Mumbai
4. Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, Hyderabad

Q:8 Name the first malaria vaccine that got Prequalification status by WHO in June 2022.

1. RTS,S/AS01
2. R21/Matrix-M
3. R45, SFGM
4. R567 VACCI

Q:9 Rare Rainbow Clouds scientifically known as _____ have been witnessed by residents in the Arctic for over a month.

1. Cumulonimbus Clouds
2. Cirrostratus Clouds
3. Polar Stratospheric Clouds
4. Stratocumulus Clouds

Q:10 Researchers aboard Exploration Vessel _____ have found the first in situ fossilised megalodon tooth in deep sea.

1. Nautilus
2. Zirconia
3. Nuisen
4. Zakima



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Answer Key

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

Answers and Solutions

Q:1 The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Rebecca Welch**

Rebecca Welch became the first female referee of the Premier League in the match between Fulham and Burnley. She has handled matches in the second tier Championship and FA cup.

Q:2 The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **EPF**

As per the official data released by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI), the formal sector employment has seen a decline in the months of October. The data for employment related statistics is sourced from three major schemes namely Employees Provident Fund (EPF) Scheme, Employees state Insurance (ESIC) scheme and National Pension Scheme (NPS).

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

The Government of India has approved the scheme for Viability Gap Funding (VGF) for development of Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS). Under the scheme 4000 mwh of BESS projects are to be developed by 2030-31.

Q:4 The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **Jharia Coal Mine**

The researchers from Visva Bharati University, Kolkata have discovered a new species of bacteria "Pantoea Tagorei", named after Nobel Laureate Rabindranath Tagore. The species has been discovered from soil samples collected at Jharia Coal Mines.

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

The researchers at National Ignition Facility (NIF), US have marked a major milestone towards achieving near limitless clean energy at scale by reportedly producing Nuclear Fusion Ignition for the first time. The repeated Ignition was achieved by using laser beams, diamond and Gold.

Q:6 The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **CZO**

The Central Zoo Authority (CZO) successfully conducted the 2nd National Level Stakeholder Workshop on Wildlife Health and One Health Collaboration. The workshop was chaired by Union Minister Ashwini Chaubey. The workshop is aimed at the development of the National Referral Centre for Wildlife (NRC-W).

Q:7 The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Kempegowda Airport, Bangalore**

The Bangalore Kempegowda International Airport has been named as the World's Most Beautiful Airport in a recent announcement from UNESCO's Prix Versailles 2023. The terminal 2 of the airport has won the World Special Prize for an Interior 2023.

Q:8 The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **R21/Matrix-M**

The World Health Organisation grants pre-qualification to the second Malaria vaccine R21/Matrix-M. The first vaccine that got pre-qualification in June 2022 was RTS,S/AS01. Malaria is a disease transmitted by Parasites like Mosquitoes and mostly children in the African region are affected by it.

Q:9 The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **Polar Stratospheric Clouds**

Rare Rainbow Clouds scientifically known as Polar Stratospheric Clouds have been witnessed by residents in the Arctic. The phenomenon was observed over various locations including Norway, Sweden, Scotland and Finland.

Q:10 The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Nautilus**

Oceanographers from the USA in collaboration with Zoologist from Germany's SNSB- Bavarian State Collection of Zoology have made a groundbreaking discovery of the first in situ fossilised megalodon tooth in deep sea. The researchers were surveying the area aboard the Exploration Vessel Nautilus and filmed the In situ before collection.