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**Q:1** Which among the following cricketer was recently convicted of rape of a minor?

1. Sandeep Lamichane
2. Mohammed Masood
3. Arjun Singh
4. Aryan Dutt

**Q:2** When did the PATRIOT PAC-3 Surface to Air defence guided missile system enter into service with the US army?

1. 2005
2. 1997
3. 2001
4. 2004

**Q:3** The International Financial Institution European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) approved a 4 billion euro capital increase for reconstruction projects in \_\_\_\_\_.

1. Ukraine
2. Philippines
3. Syria
4. Palestine

**Q:4** Name the new lizard species discovered in China which was confused with close Iguana relative, Calotes Versicolor for years.

1. Wang's Garden Lizard
2. Calotes Wangi
3. Both 1 and 2
4. None

**Q:5** The Composite Regional Centre (CRC) Samba-Jammu is an initiative by \_\_\_\_\_.

1. NITI AAYOG
2. CSIR
3. DePWD
4. DPIIT

**Q:6** On December 28, 2023 Union Minister for Power and New & Renewable Energy Shri RK Singh inaugurated POWERGRID Vishram Sadan in \_\_\_\_\_.

1. Patna
2. Bengaluru
3. Mumbai
4. Kanpur

**Q:7** Where is the foundation stone for the Interdisciplinary Centre for Energy Research (ICER) building recently laid down by the Union Minister for Power and New Renewable Energy?

1. IIT Kanpur
2. IIT Madras
3. IISc Bengaluru
4. IIT Bombay

**Q:8** Who among the following presided over the Induction ceremony of Missile Cum Ammunition Barge LSAM 10?

1. Cmde Rajeev Khandelwal
2. Cmde MV Raj Krishna
3. Cmde Veer Kashyap
4. Cmde Jayant Dixit

**Q:9** Who among the following delivered a Lecture at the Kapila Vatsyayan Memorial Lecture, recently hosted by Kala Nidhi division of the Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts (IGNCA)?

1. Ritendra Sharma
2. Ram Bahadur Rai
3. Jitendra Singh
4. Hriday Singh

**Q:10** Recently Union Minister Shri Piyush Goyal released "E-commerce Exports Handbook for MSMEs" in New Delhi. The Handbook is prepared by?

1. DGCI
2. DGFT
3. DST
4. DPIIT



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#### Answer Key

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

#### Answers and Solutions

**Q:1** The correct answer is **option 1** i.e. **Sandeep Lamichane**

Nepal's star Cricketer Sandeep Lamichhane has been recently convicted for rape of a 17 year old girl in Kathmandu hotel. He has also represented teams in International franchise Tournaments like BBL, IPL etc.

**Q:2** The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **2001**

Russia issued a warning to Japan on the export of Patriot PAC-3 anti-aircraft missiles to the United States. Japan ended a ban on military Exports imposed in 1947 after World War 2 after the export of Missiles to the US. The PATRIOT PAC-3 entered into service with the US army in 2001.

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

The European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) approved a 4 billion euro capital increase for reconstruction projects in Ukraine. It is the third big investment in the history of EBRD and will double EBRDs investment in Ukraine. India became the 69th shareholder of EBRD in 2018.

**Q:4** The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **Both 1 and 2**

Researchers in China have recently discovered a new species of lizard named Calotes Wangi or Wang's Garden Lizard. It was confused for a close iguana relative for years found in Southern China and Vietnam.

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

The Lieutenant Governor of UT of Jammu and Kashmir Shri Manoj Singh inaugurated the Composite Regional Centre (CRC) for Skill Development, Rehabilitation and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities at Samba, Jammu. It is an initiative of the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DePWD) under the Ministry of Social Justice.

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

Union Minister for Power and New & Renewable Energy Shri RK Singh inaugurated POWERGRID Vishram Sadan in Bengaluru. Similar Vishram Sadans have been built by POWERGRID at AIIMS Delhi, IGIMS Patna, DMCH Darbhanga, KGMU Lucknow, Guwahati and Vadodara.

**Q:7** The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **IISc Bengaluru**

Union Minister Shri RK Singh laid the foundation stone for Interdisciplinary Centre for Energy Research (ICER) building at IISc Bengaluru. It is a significant step in scientific advancement for shaping the future of energy research and sustainable technologies.

**Q:8** The correct answer is **option 2** i.e. **Cmde MV Raj Krishna**

The Fourth Barge of 08x Missile Cum Ammunition Barge project namely MCA LSAM 10 was inducted at Naval Dockyard, Mumbai for NAD (karanja). The Induction ceremony for the LSAM 10 was presided over by Cmde MV Raj Krishna.

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

The Kapila Vatsyayan Memorial Lecture was recently hosted by Kala Nidhi division of the Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts (IGNCA). The event was held on the topic "Understanding India Through Indic Perspective". Dr Ritendra Sharma delivered this insightful Memorial Lecture.

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

Union Minister Shri Piyush Goyal released "E-commerce Exports Handbook for MSMEs" in New Delhi. The Handbook is prepared by the Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT). The initiative supports objectives of Foreign Trade Policy 2023 and will act as a guide for MSMEs in expanding their Exports.