

- 1. The Reserve Bank of India has launched which app to help the visually challenged identify the denomination of currency notes?
- a) INSIGHT
- b) Surya
- c) MANI
- d) ABLE
- **2.** The National Green Corps scheme was revived in which state/UT after almost a decade?
- a) Gujarat
- b) Madhya Pradesh
- c) Pondicherry
- d) Jammu and Kashmir
- **3.** Which city will be hosting the 3rd Khelo India youth games?
- a) Guwahati
- b) New Delhi
- c) Bengaluru
- d) Hyderabad
- 4. Which state government has decided to celebrate Arun Jaitley's birth anniversary as a state function every year?
- a) Gujarat
- b) Haryana
- c) Bihar
- d) Himachal Pradesh
- **5.** Which metro station in Delhi was renamed as Supreme Court metro station?
- a) Rajiv Chowk
- b) Mandi House
- c) Indraprastha
- d) Pragati Maidan
- **6.** What will be the maximum retirement age of Chief of Defence Staff (CDS)?
- a) 70
- b) 72
- c) 69
- d) 65

- 7. Which state has been declared 'disturbed' for another six months under AFSPA?
- a) Assam
- b) Nagaland
- c) Jammu & Kashmir
- d) Arunachal Pradesh
- **8.** Which country recorded highest number of child births on January 1, 2020?
- a) India
- b) China
- c) South Africa
- d) Brazil
- **9.** Which state government has decided to deliver sand at the customers' door steps?
- a) Karnataka
- b) Telangana
- c) Chhattisgarh
- d) Andhra Pradesh
- **10.** Which state government has decided to set up five new medical colleges?
- a) Gujarat
- b) Madhya Pradesh
- c) Telangana
- d) Madhya Pradesh
- 11. Who launched 'Meri Dilli, Mera Sujhav' Campaign?
- a) Manoj Tiwari
- b) Smriti Irani
- c) Rajnath Singh
- d) PM Narendra Modi
- 12. Who was appointed as the new chancellor of Queen's University Belfast in Ireland?
- a) Barack Obama
- b) Michelle Obama
- c) Hillary Clinton
- d) Queen Elizabeth II
- 13. The US aviation regulator has warned American airlines from operating in the airspace of which nation?
- a) Pakistan
- b) Russia
- c) Ukraine
- d) China
- 14. Which state government has unveiled the world's 2nd tallest statue of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel?
- a) Madhya Pradesh
- b) Jharkhand
- c) Gujarat
- d) Chhattisgarh

- 15. Which state has launched a study campaign to turn it into an educational hub at national & international level?
- a) Gujarat
- b) Rajasthan
- c) Madhya Pradesh
- d) Telangana
- **16**. Indian Railways has launched which helpline number for passengers?
- a) 140
- b) 115
- c) 125
- d) 139
- 17. Which state government has launched 'Cyber Safe Women' initiative?
- a) Telangana
- b) Maharashtra
- c) Gujarat
- d) Delhi
- **18**. Which city is hosting the 107th Indian Science Congress (ISC)?
- a) Hyderabad
- b) Chennai
- c) Kolkatta
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- **20**. Who has been appointed as India's new Army chief?
- a) Manoj Mukund Naravane
- b) Anil Kumar Sood
- c) Devesh Chandra
- d) SS Chandrashekhar
- **21.** Who has taken charge as India's first Chief of Defence Staff?
- a) Bikram Singh
- b) Bipin Rawat
- c) VK Singh
- d) Deepak Kapoor
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- c) 125
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- 23. Which state has topped the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Index for 2019-20?
- a) Odisha
- b) Karnataka
- c) Kerala
- d) Goa
- 24. Which city has been adjudged as the cleanest for the 4th time in the latest cleanliness survey of the union government?
- a) Indore
- b) Bhopal
- c) Surat
- d) Rajkot
- 25. Which state secured first position in the recently released 'India State of Forest Report 2019' for the highest growth in forest area in the country?
- a) Uttar Pradesh
- b) Jharkhand
- c) Karnataka
- d) Andhra Pradesh
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- 27. Which Indian female chess player recently won the World Rapid Championship title?
- a) Koneru Hampy
- b) Pragya Vajpayee
- c) Ankita Bhambri
- d) Nutan Awasthi
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- a) Once Upon A Time in Hollywood
- b) Joker
- c) Chernobyl
- d) 1917
- 30. Who won the Best Actress in a Motion Picture-drama award in the Golden Globe 2020 Awards?
- a) Renée Zellweger
- b) Scarlett Johansson

- c) Charlize Theron
- d) Cynthia Erivo
- 31. Which series won the Golden Globe in Best Television Series Drama category?
- a) Big Little Lies
- b) The Crown
- c) Succession
- d) The Morning Show
- 32. Padma Vibhushan awardee T N Chaturvedi passed away on January 5, 2020 at the age of 90 years. He had served as the Governor of which state?
- a) Tamil Nadu
- b) Maharashtra
- c) Karnataka
- d) Kerala
- 33. Which court upheld the West Bengal Madrasa Service Commission Act?
- a) Kolkata HC
- b) Delhi HC
- c) Madras HC
- d) Supreme Court
- 34. Who has become the seventh batsman in the world to hit 6 sixes in an over?
- a) Leo Carter
- b) John Morrison
- c) Berry Headly
- d) Geoff Howarth
- 35. When is International Braille Day observed?
- a) 2nd January
- b) 3rd January
- c) 4th January
- d) 5th January
- 36. Which country recently elected Umaro Cissoko as its new President?
- a) Ghana
- b) Indonesia
- c) Nigeria
- d) Guinea-Bissau
- 37. The constitution bench formed to hear pleas seeking review of Supreme Court's landmark Sabarimala verdict will comprise how many judges?
- a) Seven
- b) Eight
- c) Nine
- d) Six
- 38. Who has been elected as Jharkhand Assembly Speaker?
- a) Ravindra Nath Mahto

- b) Arjun Munda
- c) Jagarnath Mahto
- d) Ramchandra Chandravanshi
- 39. Which state has launched a new portal to strengthen public participation in the governance process?
- a) Rajasthan
- b) Jharkhand
- c) Maharashtra
- d) Himachal Pradesh
- **40**. The Khelo India Youth Games-2020 will officially advocate for which among the following issues?
- a) Water conservation
- b) Climate emergency
- c) Afforestation
- d) Elimination of single-use plastic
- 41. Which gulf country has approved issuance of 5-Year multi-entry tourist visa for people belonging to all nationalities?
- a) Saudi Arabia
- b) Qatar
- c) UAE
- d) Oman
- 42. Which state has decided to insurance coverage of Rs 5 lakh to Ganga Sagar pilgrims?
- a) Bihar
- b) West Bengal
- c) Jharkhand
- d) Uttar Pradesh
- 43. What is the name of former Speaker of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly and senior AIADMK leader who recently passed away?
- a) P H Pandian
- b) MK Stalin
- c) P Dhanpal
- d) Rahul Sachdeva
- 44. Which animal species has been most adversely impacted by Australia's wildfire?
- a) Kangaroo
- b) Koala
- c) Mandook
- d) Polar Bear
- 45. India's first Human Space Flight Infrastructure Centre will be established in which state?
- a) Gujarat
- b) Maharashtra
- c) Jharkhand
- d) Karnataka

- 46. Which Indian player recently won the Hastings International Chess Congress?
- a) YK Joshi
- b) P Mangesh Chandran
- c) Angad Dev Patel
- d) Ramnath Chandrapal
- 47. Which court issued the death warrant against Nirbhaya Case Convicts?
- a) Saket Court
- b) Delhi High Court
- c) Patiala House Court
- d) Supreme Court
- 48. Who is ranked at the top of Forbes India's list of 20 people to watch in the 2020s?
- a) Eliud Kipchoge
- b) Hassan Minhaj
- c) Greta Thunberg
- d) Mahua Moitra
- 49. India has issued a travel advisory, advising Indian nationals to avoid all non-essential travel to which nation?
- a) Israel
- b) Turkey
- c) Iraq
- d) Syria
- 50. Which Indian weightlifter has been banned for four years after being found guilty of doping?
- a) Sarbjeet Kaur
- b) Sathish Sivalingam
- c) Pardeep Singh
- d) Vikas Thakur
- **51**. Which country launched missiles at US troops in Iraq?
- a) Ukraine
- b) Iran
- c) Turkey
- d) Yemen
- 52. Vikram Sarabhai Children Innovation Center will be set up in which state?
- a) Telangana
- b) Karnataka
- c) Andhra Pradesh
- d) Gujarat
- 53. Ukrainian Boeing 737-800 crashed in which nation on January 8, 2020, killing all onboard passengers?
- a) India
- b) Russia

- c) Afghanistan
- d) Iran
- 54. Which state government has sanctioned Rs 234 cr for construction of Shaheed Ashfaqullah Khan zoo?
- a) Haryana
- b) Uttar Pradesh
- c) Andhra Pradesh
- d) Odisha
- 55. Which city hosted the 5th Asia Pacific Drosophila Research Conference?
- a) New Delhi
- b) Patna
- c) Hyderabad
- d) Pune
- 56. India's first Turtle Rehabilitation Centre is set to come up in which city?
- a) Chambal
- b) Hisar
- c) Bhagalpur
- d) Pune
- 57. When will Union Budget 2020-21 be presented?
- a) January 31st
- b) February 1st
- c) February 2nd
- d) February 5th
- 58. Which bank has launched new residential builder finance with buyer guarantee scheme?
- a) RBI
- b) SBI
- c) OBC
- d) BOI
- 59. When is the first penumbral lunar eclipse of 2020?
- a) January 15th
- b) January 10th
- c) January 18th
- d) January 22nd
- 60. Which country has developed a laser-based aerial defense system?
- a) Iran
- b) North Korea
- c) Israel
- d) Turkey
- 61. When is Pravasi Bharatiya Divas celebrated every year?
- a) 9th January
- b) 8th January

- c) 7th January
- d) 6th January
- 62. Which Indian-origin writer was recently honoured with the UK Children's Book Award?
- a) Amarjit Kaur
- b) Jasbinder Bilan
- c) Sharanjeet Chahal
- d) Minhas Verma
- 63. Which famous personality recently revealed that he is suffering with Lyme disease?
- a) Ranveer Singh
- b) Kylie Minogue
- c) Pedro Russell
- d) Justin Bieber
- 64. Which city will host the 2022 Commonwealth Games?
- a) New Delhi
- b) Moscow
- c) Birmingham
- d) Colombo
- 65. Which university has set up a panel to probe violence inside campus?
- a) AMU
- b) BHU
- c) Jamia
- d) JNU
- 66. Which Indian telecommunications company has launched its Wi-Fi calling service for voice and video?
- a) Reliance Jio
- b) Airtel
- c) Vodafone
- d) Mtnl
- 67. Which state has launched 'Amma Vodi' scheme to provide financial assistance to BPL mothers for the education of their children?
- a) Tamil Nadu
- b) Telangana
- c) Andhra Pradesh
- d) Madhya Pradesh
- 68. Which court has ordered a stay on NCLAT's order reinstating Cyrus Mistry as the executive chairman of Tata Sons?
- a) Delhi High Court
- b) Supreme Court
- c) Allahabad Court
- d) Bombay High Court

- 69. When is World Hindi Day celebrated every year?
- a) 8th February
- b) 10th January
- c) 14th March
- d) 20th September
- 70. Which of the following Indian cities will host the International Naval Program 'Milan' to be held in March 2020?
- a) Mumbai
- b) Goa
- c) Visakhapatnam
- d) Coimbatore
- 71. Who among the following was recently elected as the President of Croatia?
- a) Zoran Milanovic
- b) Kolinda Grabar
- c) Zoast Hernadi
- d) Viktor Orban
- 72. Which Indian origin person was recently appointed as the judge of Chicago?
- a) Rabia Sheikh
- b) Samiya Naseem
- c) Amrit Pal
- d) Maninder Singh
- 73. Which state's assembly will move a motion to support CAA?
- a) Kerala
- b) West Bengal
- c) Uttar Pradesh
- d) Gujarat
- 74. When is Census India-2021 scheduled to begin?
- a) April 1st
- b) March 31st
- c) January 31st
- d) February 1st
- 75. When is Britain officially scheduled to leave the European Union?
- a) March 31st
- b) January 31st
- c) February 1st
- d) March 1st
- 76. The Income Tax Department has launched a 24x7 control room to monitor black money in which state/ UT?
- a) Maharashtra
- b) Delhi
- c) Chandigarh
- d) Karnataka

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- b) Abhijit Banerjee
- c) Kaushik Basu
- d) Jagdish Bhagwati
- **89.** Which communication satellite will be launched by ISRO on January 17?
- a) GSAT 30
- b) INSAT 5
- c) GSAT 15
- d) Cartosat 3B
- **90.** How many films have been nominated in the Best Picture category for Oscars 2020?
- a) Seven
- b) Nine
- c) Six
- d) Eight
- **91.** What was the name of Oman's Sultan who passed away recently?
- a) Qaboos bin Said
- b) Abdullah Ali
- c) Zayed bin Sultan
- d) Ayyubid Al Hassan

- 92. The Directorate General of Civil Aviation has mandated all drone users to register their gadgets by which date?
- a) March 31st
- b) February 1st
- c) February 2nd
- d) January 31st
- 93. Which court annulled Pervez Musharraf's death penalty, calling the special tribunal's ruling as unconstitutional?
- a) Islamabad HC
- b) Sindh HC
- c) Lahore HC
- d) Peshawar HC
- **94.** When is National Youth Day observed in India every year?
- a) 14th January
- b) 12th January
- c) 10th January
- d) 11th January
- 95. What is the name of Iran's only woman Olympic medalist who recently announced to leave the country?
- a) Mariam Toshi
- b) Zahira Ibrahim
- c) Sadaf Rajabi
- d) Kimia Alizadeh
- **96.** What is the new name of Kolkata Port Trust?
- a) Atal Port Trust
- b) Patel Port Trust
- c) Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Port
- d) Veer Savarkar Port
- 97. Kerala has invoked which article to challenge CAA in the Supreme Court?
- a) Article 32
- b) Article 131
- c) Article 352
- d) Article 371
- 98. Who won ICC 2019 Spirit of Cricket award?
- a) Rohit Sharma
- b) Ben Stokes
- c) Kane Williamson
- d) Virat Kohli
- 99. When is Indian Army Day observed every year?
- a) 13th January
- b) 14th January

- c) 15th January
- d) 16th January
- 100. Who has been selected as the best cricketer of the year 2019 by ICC?
- a) Virat Kohli
- b) Ben Stokes
- c) Rohit Sharma
- d) Pat Cummins
- 101. Which country's President has decided to increase estate workers daily wage to Rs 1000 from March 1, 2020?
- a) India
- b) Malaysia
- c) Sri Lanka
- d) Bangladesh
- 102. Who among the following has recently been selected as the new Director General of CRPF?
- a) JP Tyagi
- b) AP Maheshwari
- c) RR Rodrigs
- d) Vimal Manuja
- 103. Which state's city Malappuram is one of the fastest growing urban areas in the world, as per the rankings of the Economist Intelligence Unit?
- a) Tamil Nadu
- b) Madhya Pradesh
- c) Kerala
- d) Karnataka
- **104.** When is the foundation day of India Meteorological Department observed?
- a) January 15th
- b) January 14th
- c) January 10th
- d) January 21st
- 105. Which cricketer has been left out from BCCI's annual player contract list for 2020?
- a) MS Dhoni
- b) Ravindra Jadeja
- c) R Ashwin
- d) Hardik Pandya
- 106. Yashaswini scheme for women entrepreneurship was launched in which state?
- a) Karnataka
- b) Maharashtra
- c) Goa
- d) Kerala

- 107. Which scheme was launched in Goa to ensure wellness and welfare of women on January 11, 2020?
- a) Swasthya Sakhi Project
- b) Nari Shakti initiative
- c) Rageshwari scheme
- d) Sakhi Suraksha scheme
- 108. Which country's Prime Minister has resigned along with his cabinet soon after President's call for constitutional amendments?
- a) France
- b) Russia
- c) Germany
- d) Italy
- 109. What is the name of PCRA's recently launched campaign for fuel conservation?
- a) Saksham
- b) Pragati
- c) Akshay
- d) Vishesh
- 110. Which e-commerce company recently announced an investment of USD 1 billion for digitalization of small and medium enterprises in India?
- a) Flipkart
- b) Wallmart
- c) Amazon
- d) Alibaba
- 111. Who is the first Indian women officer to lead an all-men contingent during the Army Day parade on January 14, 2020?
- a) Captain Swati Pandey
- b) Captain Kritika Gosain
- c) Captain Sanjana Chaudhary
- d) Captain Tanya Shergill
- 112. The United States has signed the first phase of a trade deal with which nation?
- a) China
- b) India
- c) Pakistan
- d) Japan
- 113. When will Pariksha Pe Charcha-2020 event be held?
- a) January 20th
- b) January 22nd
- c) January 23rd
- d) January 30th
- 114. India and World Bank have signed a USD 88m loan agreement to improve inland water transport services of which among the following states?
- a) Meghalaya

- b) Bihar
- c) Assam
- d) Tripura
- 115. Which Indian advocate was recently appointed as the Queen's Counsel?
- a) Fali S Nariman
- b) KK Venugopal
- c) Soli Sorabjee
- d) Harish Salve
- 116. Oleksiy Honcharuk has resigned as the Prime Minister of which nation?
- a) Ukraine
- b) Poland
- c) Sweden
- d) Switzerland
- 117. Which Tribal refugee community will now be given permission to settle in Tripura following the signing of a historic agreement on January 16, 2020?
- a) Jayantia
- b) Bru-Reang
- c) Rengma-Bodo
- d) Deori-Garo
- 118. What is the ranking of Indian Passport in Henley Passport Index 2020?
- a) 40
- b) 52
- c) 66
- d) 84
- 119. Which country recently passed a law to make 'ethnic unity' mandatory?
- a) India
- b) China
- c) Tibet
- d) Bangladesh
- 120. The Union Health Ministry has issued a travel advisory to passengers travelling to which nation over the spread of Coronavirus?
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- a) Parasite
- b) Bombshell
- c) The Irishman
- d) Once Upon a Time...in Hollywood
- **132.** Who won best actor award in a drama series at the SAG Awards 2020?
- a) Steve Carell
- b) Billy Crudup
- c) David Harbour
- d) Peter Dinklage
- **133.** Which state has introduced a draft bill that proposes the creation of three state capitals?
- a) Telangana
- b) Maharashtra
- c) Uttar Pradesh
- d) Andhra Pradesh
- **134.** Who has been elected as the 11th BJP National President?
- a) Rajnath Singh
- b) Nitin Gadkari
- c) Jagat Prakash Nadda
- d) Narendra Singh Tomar
- **135.** India successfully test-first which nuclear capable missile on January 19?
- a) Wajra-VI
- b) Astra-8
- c) K-4
- d) SN-19
- 136. Which state's CM has launched a guarantee card promising 24x7 electricity and cleaning drinking water supply among other guarantees?
- a) Maharashtra
- b) Delhi
- c) Uttar Pradesh
- d) Madhya Pradesh
- **137.** Which state has decided to provide stalls to divyangs for opening of shops at prime locations?
- a) Uttar Pradesh
- b) Rajasthan
- c) Jharkhand
- d) Telangana

- **138.** The deadly Coronavirus spread widely in which nation in January 2020?
- a) Japan
- b) China
- c) South Korea
- d) India
- 139. Who has been elected as the new President of Archery Association of India?
- a) Arjun Munda
- b) Kiren Rijiju
- c) Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore
- d) Vijay Goel
- **140.** Which International organization has predicted reduced growth forecast of 5.8 percent for India in 2020?
- a) World Bank
- b) IMF
- c) ADB
- d) UNDP
- **141.** Which nation threatened to quit the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons deal?
- a) Israel
- b) Russia
- c) US
- d) Iran
- **142.** Andhra Pradesh government has proposed to make which among the following cities as its Judicial capital?
- a) Amaravati
- b) Vijayawada
- c) Kurnool
- d) Visakhapatnam
- 143. The One Nation One Ration Card Scheme will be implemented across India on which date?
- a) February 1st
- b) March 31st
- c) July 31st
- d) June 1st
- **144.** The Indian Air Force has inducted the first squadron of which aircraft?
- a) MiG-37
- b) Sukhoi-30
- c) Rafale
- d) HAL-Tejas
- **145.** When is National Girl Child Day celebrated?
- a) January 21st
- b) January 22nd

- c) January 24th
- d) January 25th
- **146.** Who will be the Chief Guest at India's 71st Republic Day?
- a) Jair Bolsonaro
- b) Donald Trump
- c) Vladimir Putin
- d) Boris Johnson
- **147.** India was ranked at which position in the Carbon Disclosure Project 2019?
- a) Sixth
- b) Fifth
- c) Seventh
- d) Eighth
- **148.** Which country topped the Carbon Disclosure Project 2019?
- a) Germany
- b) France
- c) United States
- d) Japan
- 149. Which Indian actress won the Crystal Award 2020 at the 50th World Economic Forum?
- a) Priyanka Chopra
- b) Alia Bhatt
- c) Deepika Padukone
- d) Dia Mirza
- **150.** Which country has elected Katerina Sakellaropoulou as its first woman President?
- a) Ethiopia
- b) Greece
- c) Italy
- d) Ireland
- **151.** Which city is hosting the 50th World Economic Forum event?
- a) Davos
- b) Vienna
- c) Shanghai
- d) Madrid
- **152.** What is the name of the human robot that has been developed by ISRO to send to space?
- a) Vyommitra
- b) Vayusana
- c) Pragya
- d) Suryavanshi
- 153. ISRO has identified how many astronauts for its upcoming manned mission-
- Gaganyaan?
- a) Five
- b) Three

- c) Two
- d) Four
- **154.** Which country launched e-passport facility on January 22, 2020?
- a) India
- b) Bangladesh
- c) Myanmar
- d) Sri Lanka
- **155.** Which deadly virus outbreak in China killed 9 people and infected over 400 people?
- a) Coronavirus
- b) Platuvirus
- c) Hadilvirus
- d) Moronvirus
- **156.** Which Indian city recently secured first position in JLL City Momentum Index 2020?
- a) Delhi
- b) Mumbai
- c) Kolkata
- d) Hyderabad
- 157. Which of the following countries was recently declared as Reciprocating Territory by India?
- a) UAE
- b) South Africa
- c) Jordan
- d) Bangladesh
- 158. Which global institution recently released World Investment Trends Monitor-2019 report?
- a) UN
- b) WEF
- c) World Bank
- d) UNCTAD
- **159.** Which country successfully phased out most potent ozone-depleting chemical- HCFC
- 141 b?
- a) China
- b) India
- c) Pakistan
- d) Bangladesh
- **160.** Who launched the One Trillion Trees Initiative?
- a) WEF
- b) UN
- c) US
- d) UNEP

- **161.** The ICJ has ordered which nation to take urgent steps to protect Rohingya Muslims?
- a) Bangladesh
- b) India
- c) China
- d) Myanmar
- 162. Which nation had filed a suit against Myanmar for its alleged role in the Rohingya genocide case at the ICJ?
- a) France
- b) The Gambia
- c) Australia
- d) Bangladesh
- **163.** Subhash Chandra Bose's birth anniversary is celebrated every year on which day?
- a) 23rd January
- b) 22nd January
- c) 21st January
- d) 20th January
- **164.** India was ranked at which position in the recently released EIU's Global Democracy Index-2019?
- a) 40
- b) 51
- c) 63
- d) 77
- 165. How many people are unemployed and not getting any work in the world as per the ILO's 'World Employment and Social Outlook Trends 2020'?
- a) 50 millon
- b) 97 million
- c) 176 million
- d) 188 million
- 166. India's External Affairs Minister S Jaishanker recently inaugurated Mahatma Gandhi International Convention Center in which country?
- a) China
- b) Russia
- c) Niger
- d) Sudan
- **167.** Challa Sreenivasulu Setty has become the Managing Director of which bank?
- a) SBI
- b) BOI
- c) BOB
- d) PNB
- **168.** The World Archery has conditionally lifted the suspension imposed on which among the following bodies?
- a) AAA

- b) AII
- c) AAI
- d) AIG
- **169.** When is National Girl Child Day observed every year?
- a) 16th January
- b) 11th October
- c) 24th January
- d) 26th February
- 170. How many children were honoured with the Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar 2020?
- a) 49
- b) 51
- c) 57
- d) 38
- 171. Which state's Disaster Mitigation & Management Centre won the Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar 2020?
- a) Kerala
- b) Uttarakhand
- c) Odisha
- d) Gujarat
- **172.** What is India's rank in the Global Talent Competitive Index-2020?
- a) 40
- b) 55
- c) 68
- d) 72
- **173.** What is India's ranking in the recently released Corruption Perception Index-2019?
- a) 57
- b) 65
- c) 73
- d) 80
- 174. Which Indian state recently launched Mukhyamantri Krishak Durghatna Kalyan Yojana?
- a) Uttar Pradesh
- b) Andhra Pradesh
- c) Madhya Pradesh
- d) Rajasthan
- 175. Which country will be the guest of honour at the New Delhi World Book Fair 2022?
- a) United Kingdom
- b) Spain

- c) France
- d) Australia
- **176.** Which country will attend the Munich Security Conference for the first time in 56 years?
- a) South Korea
- b) Russia
- c) China
- d) North Korea
- **177.** India's first e-waste clinic has opened in which city?
- a) Pune
- b) Bhopal
- c) Chennai
- d) Indore
- **178.** Which country has amended visitor visa rules to stop birth tourism?
- a) Canada
- b) Germany
- c) United Kingdom
- d) United States
- 179. How many children were honoured with the Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar 2020?
- a) 49
- b) 51
- c) 57
- d) 38
- **180.** Which Indian actress won the Crystal Award 2020 at the 50th World Economic Forum?
- a) Priyanka Chopra
- b) Alia Bhatt
- c) Deepika Padukone
- d) Dia Mirza
- **181.** What is the name of the human robot that has been developed by ISRO for its space mission?
- a) Vyommitra
- b) Vayusana
- c) Pragya
- d) Suryavanshi
- **182.** Which film won the Best Film Award at the 26th Annual Screen Actors Guild Awards?
- a) Parasite
- b) Bombshell
- c) The Irishman
- d) Once Upon a Time...in Hollywood
- **183.** Which state has introduced a draft bill that proposes the creation of three state capitals?
- a) Telangana

- b) Maharashtra
- c) Uttar Pradesh
- d) Andhra Pradesh
- 184. Which state's Disaster Mitigation & Management Centre won the Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar 2020?
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- b) Uttarakhand
- c) Odisha
- d) Gujarat
- **185.** Who launched the One Trillion Trees Initiative?
- a) WEF
- b) UN
- c) US
- d) UNEP
- **186.** Who has been elected as the new President of Archery Association of India?
- a) Arjun Munda
- b) Kiren Rijiju
- c) Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore
- d) Vijay Goel
- **187.** Which country successfully phased out most potent ozone-depleting chemical- HCFC 141 b?
- a) China
- b) India
- c) Pakistan
- d) Bangladesh
- **188.** India successfully test-fired which nuclear capable missile on January 19?
- a) Wajra-VI
- b) Astra-8
- c) K-4
- d) SN-19
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- b) 55
- c) 68
- d) 72

- **191.** Who among the following actresses has been selected for the Padma Shri award 2020?
- a) Deepika Padukone
- b) Kangana Ranaut
- c) Alia Bhatt
- d) Katrina Kaif
- **192.** Who won the maximum awards at the 62nd annual Grammy Awards?
- a) Billie Eilish
- b) Lizzo
- c) Lady Gaga
- d) Lil Nas X
- **193.** Which album won the award for 'Best Rock Album' at the Grammy 2020 awards?
- a) Amo
- b) Social Cues
- c) In the End
- d) Trauma
- **194.** Which state has launched 'Shiv Bhojan' scheme for the poor?
- a) Madhya Pradesh
- b) Jharkhand
- c) Uttar Pradesh
- d) Maharashtra
- **195.** What is the name of NBA player who recently died in a helicopter crash?
- a) Stephen Paul
- b) Russel Westbrook
- c) James Harden
- d) Kobe Bryant
- **196.** Which state's insurgent groups signed a peace accord with the Indian Government on January 27, 2020?
- a) Jharkhand
- b) Chattisgarh
- c) Assam
- d) Nagaland
- **197.** The Union Government has offered to sell its 100 percent stake in which airlines?
- a) Vistara
- b) Air India
- c) Air Asia
- d) Indigo
- 198. Which state's Chief Electoral Officer has won the ECI award for providing accessibility to vote to persons with disabilities during Lok Sabha Elections 2019?
- a) Punjab
- b) Maharashtra
- c) Uttar Pradesh
- d) Delhi

- **199.** When is National Voter's Day celebrated in India?
- a) 24th January
- b) 25th January
- c) 26th January
- d) 27th January
- **200.** Which state's cabinet passed a resolution to abolish the Legislative Council on January 27, 2020?
- a) Telangana
- b) West Bengal
- c) Andhra Pradesh
- d) Maharashtra
- **201.** The Supreme Court has allowed the National Tiger Conservation Authority to relocate which nation's cheetah to a suitable habitat in India?
- a) Iran
- b) Malaysia
- c) Australia
- d) Namibia
- **202.** The Indian Navy has launched 'Operation Vanilla' to provide disaster relief to which country?
- a) Mauritius
- b) Madagascar
- c) Sri Lanka
- d) The Maldives
- 203. Under US President Donald Trump's new middle-east plan, which city will remain as Israel's undivided capital?
- a) Tel Aviv
- b) Haifa
- c) Jerusalem
- d) Ashdod
- **204.** Sheikh Khalid has been appointed as the new Prime Minister of which nation?
- a) Qatar
- b) Saudi Arabia
- c) Kuwait
- d) UAE
- **205.** Which nation has decided to provide formal education to Rohingya refugee children?
- a) Malaysia
- b) India
- c) Nepal
- d) Bangladesh
- **206.** Which nation has passed a bill authorizing sanctions against Chinese officials who meddle in the process of selection of Dalai Lama's successor?
- a) Nepal

- b) India
- c) US
- d) UK
- **207.** Which Indian sportsperson joined the Bharatiya Janata Party recently?
- a) PV Sindhu
- b) Manika Batra
- c) Saina Nehwal
- d) Mithali Raj
- **208.** Which airlines has suspended all its flights to China after the coronavirus outbreak?
- a) British Airways
- b) Qatar Airways
- c) Air India
- d) Emirates
- **209.** Which state or union territory's tableau was adjudged the best at the Republic Day Parade 2020?
- a) Assam
- b) Gujarat
- c) Jammu and Kashmir
- d) Meghalaya
- 210. The Supreme Court has fixed how much time to wrap up all cases of gender discrimination at religious places?
- a) 21 days
- b) 10 days
- c) 20 days
- d) 15 days
- **211.** Saudi Arabia has refused to allow which nation's citizens to visit the nation?
- a) Iran
- b) Yemen
- c) Israel
- d) Russia
- **212.** What is the name of portal government recently released to speed up construction works of national highways?
- a) TEZ
- b) SPEED
- c) GATI
- d) MARG
- **213.** When is Lala Lajpat Rai's birth anniversary observed every year?
- a) 25th January
- b) 26th January
- c) 27th January
- d) 28th January

- **214.** Which Indian city is organising Global Potato Conclave 2020?
- a) New Delhi
- b) Chandigarh
- c) Gandhinagar
- d) Agra
- 215. Which Indian theater personality has been selected for French honour of 'Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters'?
- a) Priya Chauhan
- b) Vani Tyagi
- c) Sanjana Kapoor
- d) Aarti Khanna
- **216.** Which state has become the 4th state to pass resolution demanding scrapping of CAA?
- a) Karnataka
- b) Maharashtra
- c) Madhya Pradesh
- d) West Bengal
- **217.** The Central Government has targeted to install 175 Giga Watt renewable energy in India by which year?
- a) 2030
- b) 2022
- c) 2021
- d) 2023
- 218. Which famous India actor will feature in Man Vs Wild episode with popular adventurer Bear Grylls?
- a) Shah Rukh Khan
- b) Salman Khan
- c) Akshay Kumar
- d) Rajinikanth
- 219. India's Gita Sabharwal has been appointed as the UN Resident Coordinator in which nation?
- a) Maldives
- b) Thailand
- c) Vietnam
- d) Kenya
- **220.** When is World Leprosy Day observed every year?
- a) 25th January
- b) 26th February
- c) 10th January
- d) 30th January
- **221.** Whose death anniversary is observed on January 30?
- a) Indira Gandhi
- b) Mahatma Gandhi

- c) Bhagat Singh
- d) Subhas Chandra Bose
- **222.** The Indian Navy launched which operation to help cyclone hit Madagascar?
- a) Operation Vanilla
- b) Operation Gems
- c) Operation Water
- d) Operation Candy
- **223.** Which Indian city has the world's worst traffic, as per the Global Traffic Index?
- a) New Delhi
- b) Beijing
- c) Tokyo
- d) Bengaluru
- **224.** Which Indian state recently reported first confirmed case of Coronavirus?
- a) West Bengal
- b) Assam
- c) Kerala
- d) Bihar
- 225. Which nation is the second biggest weapon producer after the US, as per SIPRI annual report?
- a) India
- b) Russia
- c) Germany
- d) China
- **226.** Which Parliament has deferred its vote on anti-CAA resolution?
- a) UK Parliament
- b) US House of Representatives
- c) European Parliament
- d) UN General Assembly

1. (c) MANI

The Reserve Bank of India launched 'MANI' mobile app to help the visually challenged identify the denomination of currency notes on January 1, 2019.

2. (d) Jammu and Kashmir

The National Green Corps scheme has been revived for Jammu and Kashmir. The scheme was revoked for almost a decade. Under this scheme, the J&K pollution control board will provide financial assistance to 3,742 Eco Clubs of registered schools in both the regions of the Union Territory along with 96 Eco Clubs of registered colleges.

3. (a) Guwahati

The third Khelo India youth games will be held in Guwahati, Assam from January 10-22, 2019. Over 6500 athletes are expected to take part in the event.

4. (c) Bihar

Bihar government recently decided that former Union Finance minister Arun Jaitley's birth anniversary (December 28) will be celebrated as a state function every year. Arun Jaitley was passed away at All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Delhi on August 24.

5. (d) Pragati Maidan

The Delhi government on December 31, 2019 announced that Pragati Maidan metro station will be renamed as the Supreme Court metro station. The proposal to change the name of the metro station was submitted by the Supreme Court in September 2019.

6. (d) 65

The government of India has amended some rules Indian Army's service rules. According to these changes Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) will be retired at the age of 65. At present, the army chief can hold his post for a maximum period of 62 years or three years (whichever is earlier).

7. (b) Nagaland

The Ministry of Home Affairs has declared the entire Nagaland state a "disturbed" are under AFSPA. AFSPA will empower security forces to conduct various proceedings anywhere and arrest anyone without any prior notice.

8. (a) India

India recorded birth of 67,385 numbers of kids on January 01, 2020. India is followed by China (46,299) and Nigeria (26,039). This number is 17% of total kids born in the world.

9. (d) Andhra Pradesh

The Andhra Pradesh Government has announced that it will deliver sand at customers' door steps. As a pilot project, the government will begin the initiative on an experimental basis.

10. (a) Gujarat

Gujarat government has decided to set up five new medical colleges and attach 300 bed hospitals in the state. The new Medical colleges will be set up at Godhara, Veraval, Jamkhambhaliya, Botad and Morbi.

11. (b) Smriti Irani

Union WCD Minister Smriti Irani launched 'Meri Dilli, Mera Sujhav' Campaign on January 3, 2020 to gather suggestions from the people of the national capital to formulate BJP's manifesto for the upcoming Delhi Assembly polls.

12. (c) Hillary Clinton

Former US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton has been appointed the new chancellor of Queen's University in Belfast, Ireland. Clinton has become the university's first female chancellor. Her term will be for five years. She has been a regular visitor to Northern Ireland since the first visit of Bill Clinton as the President of United States in 1995.

13. (a) Pakistan

The US Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has warned the American airlines and their pilots operating in Pakistan's airspace, stating that there is risk involved due to high extremist or militant activity.

14. (c) Gujarat

Gujarat CM Vijay Rupani unveiled the second tallest statue of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel in the world at Ahmedabad on January 3, 2020. The 50 feet tall bronze statue weighs about 70000 kg. It was unveiled at the Sardardham campus near Vaishnodevi circle in Ahmedabad. India's tallest statue of Sardar Vallabhbhai is the Statue of Unity at Kevadiya in Narmada district of Gujarat.

15. (a) Gujarat

The education department of Gujarat has launched 'Study in Gujarat' campaign to make Gujarat State an educational hub at national and international level.

16. (d) 139

The Indian Railways has launched an integrated helpline number- 139 for quick grievance redressal and enquiries by passengers during their train journeys. The new number will replace all the existing helpline numbers.

17. (b) Maharashtra

The Maharashtra government has launched a 'cyber safe women' campaign across the state to educate women and children regarding cybercrimes.

18. (d) Bengaluru

The 107th Indian Science Congress (ISC) will be held from January 3-7, 2020 at the University of Agricultural Sciences in Bengaluru, Karnataka. The 107th Indian Science Congress aims to bridge the gap between farmer and tech-developers.

19. (c) MANI

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20. (a) Manoj Mukund Naravane

Lieutenant General Manoj Mukund Narwane, the Deputy Chief of the Indian Army, has become the next Chief of the Indian Army. He has replaced Bipin Rawat. Naravane was commissioned in Sikh Light Infantry Regiment on June 1980.

21. (b) Bipin Rawat

General Bipin Rawat has been named as the first Chief of Defence Staff of India. He will serve as the principal military advisor to the Union Defence Minister. He will be responsible for the administration of all three armed services including the army, navy and the air force.

22. (d) 139

The Indian Railways has launched an integrated helpline number- 139 for quick grievance redressal and enquiries by passengers during their train journeys. The new number will replace all the existing helpline numbers.

23. (c) Kerala

Kerala topped the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Index for the year 2019-20, which was released recently by NITI Aayog. Chandigarh topped the Union Territories list, while J&K and Ladakh were ranked at the bottom of the index.

24. (a) **Indore**

Indore was adjudged as the cleanest city in India for the fourth time in a row in the cleanliness survey released by the Union Government on December 31, 2019. While Bhopal stood second in first quarter results, Rajkot was ranked second in the second quarter results.

25. (c) Karnataka

The 'India State of Forest Report 2019' ranked Karnataka (1,025 km), Andhra Pradesh (990 km) and Kerala (823 km) as the top three states with the highest growth in forest area.

26. (a) India

India recorded birth of 67,385 numbers of kids on January 01, 2020. India is followed by China (46,299) and Nigeria (26,039). This number is 17% of total kids born in the world.

27.(a) Koneru Humpy

India's female chess player Koneru Hampi won the title by defeating China's Lei Tingji in the World Rapid Chess Championship in the tiebreaker's series (Armageddon). Koneru Hampi has been awarded the 'Arjuna Award' in the year 2003 and 'Padma Shri' in the year 2007.

28. (a) Guwahati

The third Khelo India youth games will be held in Guwahati, Assam from January 10-22, 2019. Over 6500 athletes are expected to take part in the event.

29. (d) 1917

The Best Feature Film award (Drama) was given to '1917' while the Best Actor Award was given to Joaquin Phoenix for 'Joker'. The first Golden Globe Award was given in 1944. This time 77th edition of this award was held.

30. (a) Renée Zellweger

The film 1917 won the Best Picture-Drama' award, Renée Zellweger won best actress for her role in 'Judy' and Joaquin Phoenix won the best actor at the 77th Golden Globe Awards. The Golden Globe Awards 2020 were conferred on January 5, 2020 at the Beverly Hilton Hotel in Beverly Hills, California.

31. (c) Succession

Succession, a British-American comedy-drama television series won the 2020 Golden Globe award in Best Television Series – Drama category. The series is created by Jesse Armstrong.

32. (c) Karnataka

Former Karnataka Governor T N Chaturvedi passed away on January 6, 2020 at the age of 90 years. He had served as the Comptroller and Auditor General of India from 1984-1989. He was awarded the Padma Vibhushan in 1991.

33. (d) Supreme Court

The Supreme Court on January 6, 2020 upheld the West Bengal Madrasa Service Commission Act, 2008. This paves the way for appointment of teachers in the madrassas in the state.

34. (a) Leo Carter

New Zealand batsman Leo Carter recently hit 6 sixes in an over. He is the 7th player in the

world to do so. Earlier, Gary Sobers, Ravi Shastri, Yuvraj Singh, Herschelle Gibbs, Ross Vitali and Hazratullah Zazai have made this record.

35. (c) 4th January

International Braille Day is observed on January 4 every year. This day is celebrated on the occasion of the birthday of Louis Braille. According to the United Nations, about 39 million people are blind in the world.

36. (d) Guinea-Bissau

Former Prime Minister and Military General Umaro Cissoko has recently been elected as the President of Guinea-Bissau. He will replace José Mário Vaz. He won the presidential election with 53.55 percent of votes.

37. (c) Nine

The Supreme Court has constituted a new nine-judge bench to hear pleas seeking review of its previous judgement on the Sabarimala issue. The bench will take up all the review petitions from January 13, 2020.

38. (a) Ravindra Nath Mahto

JMM's Ravindra Nath Mahto was unanimously elected as the new speaker of Jharkhand Legislative Assembly on January 7, 2020. He was administered the oath of the office by Protem Speaker Stephen Marandi.

39. (d) Himachal Pradesh

The state government of Himachal Pradesh launched Himachal MyGov portal in Shimla on January 7, 2020. The portal has been launched to strengthen public participation in the governance process. It is expected to serve as an innovative platform to build a partnership between the citizens and the government with the help of technology.

40. (d) Elimination of single-use plastic

The third edition of the Khelo India Youth Games-2020 will advocate for the elimination of single-use plastics by emphasizing on responsible use of plastic material and proper collection and disposal of plastic waste. The Khelo India Youth Games-2020 will be held in Guwahati, Assam from January 10-22, 2020.

41. (c)UAE

The cabinet of United Arab Emirates (UAE) has approved the issuance of a five-year multientry tourist visa for all people visiting the country. The move aims to boost UAE's tourism economy and affirm its position as a global tourist destination.

42. (b) West Bengal

The West Bengal government has decided to provide insurance coverage of Rs five lakh each to the Ganga Sagar pilgrims. This was announced by West Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee. The Chief Minister also announced that the state administration has done all necessary arrangements for drinking water supply and accommodation facilities for the devotees.

43. (a) PH Pandian

PH Pandian, former Speaker of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly and senior AIADMK leader passed away recently. P H Pandian was a former MLA and MP. He was also the

Deputy Speaker of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly between 1980-84 and the Speaker from 1985 to 1989. He was also a senior leader of the AIADMK.

44. (b) Koala

It is believed that fifty percent Koalas have been killed in Australia's Wildfires. Koala is an arboreal herbivorous marsupial native to Australia. The forests of Australia have been burning for the last four months and about 50 crore wild animals have been killed.

45. (d) Karnataka

Human Space Flight Infrastructure Centre will be established by the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) in Challakere, Karnataka. This training center will be constructed in 400 acres at a cost of Rs 2700 crore.

46. (b) P Mangesh Chandran

India's P. Mangesh Chandran has won the prestigious 95th Hastings International Chess Congress title in Hastings, England. He defeated India's Grandmaster Deep Sengupta in the eighth round.

47. (c) Patiala House Court

Patiala House Court issued a death warrant against four convicts of the Nirbhaya case on January 7, 2020. The four convicts Akshay, Mukesh, Vinay and Pawan will be hanged on January 22, 2020 at 7 am.

48. (b) Hassan Minhaj

The US-based political commentator and comedian Hassan Minhaj was ranked first in Forbes India's list of 20 people to watch in the 2020s. Kanhaiya Kumar, Prashant Kishor, and Mahua Moitra have also found a place in the list. Environmental Activist Greta Thunberg was ranked 15th on the list.

49. (c) Iraq

The Union Ministry of External Affairs has issued a travel advisory, advising Indian nationals to avoid all non-essential travel to Iraq until further notification. The Indians living in Iraq have also been advised to stay alert and avoid travel within the nation.

50. (a) Sarbjeet Kaur

Indian weightlifter Sarbjeet Kaur has been banned from the sport for four years after being found guilty of a doping violation. The weightlifter had won the 71kg event at the women's national weightlifting championships in February 2019.

51. (b) Iran

Iran launched over a dozen surface-to-surface ballistic missiles at the US troops stationed at air bases in Iraq. This was announced by the Pentagon on January 7, 2020. Iran's military response comes in retaliation to the slaying of its top General Qassem Soleimani.

52. (d) Gujarat

Vikram Sarabhai Children Innovation Center (VSCIC) will be set up soon in Gujarat. The centre will work towards identifying children with ideas and then nurture and support them.

53. (d) Iran

The Ukrainian Boeing-737-800 plane crashed at the Imam Khomeini Airport in Tehran on January 08, 2020. It was carrying 167 passengers and 9 crew members. The series of Boeing have faced several accidents and crashes in the past.

54. (b) Uttar Pradesh

The UP government on January 07, 2020 sanctioned Rs 234 crore for the establishment of Shaheed Ashfaqullah Khan Zoological Garden. This zoo will be established in Gorakhpur. The decision was taken in a cabinet meeting held in the leadership of CM Yogi Adityanath.

55. (d) Pune

Pune hosted the 5th Asia Pacific Drosophila Research Conference. India is hosting this conference for the first time. It is being organized by the Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Pune. The purpose of this biennial program is to advance dialogue with the remaining global researchers of Drosophila researchers in the Asia-Pacific region.

56. (c) Bhagalpur

India's first turtle rehabilitation center will be inaugurated in Bhagalpur Forest Division, Bihar in January 2020. This rehabilitation center is the first of its kind where all arrangements are being made for rehabilitation of freshwater turtles.

57. (b) February 1st

Union Budget 2020-21 will be presented on February 1, 2020. The budget session will begin from January 31 and will be held in two phases till 3 April.

58. (b) SBI

The State of Bank of India launched a 'residential builder finance with buyer guarantee' scheme to revive the Indian real estate sector on January 8, 2020. Under the scheme, the largest public sector bank will issue a guarantee for completion of select residential projects to customers availing home loans from it.

59. (b) January 10th

The first lunar eclipse of the year 2020 will be visible on January 10, 2020. The penumbral lunar eclipse will be visible in India and other countries across Asia, Europe and Africa, except the United States, as it will be daytime there.

60. (c) Israel

Israel's Defense Ministry announced on January 8, 2020 that it has made a breakthrough in technology and created a laser-based aerial defense system.

61. (a) 9th January

Pravasi Bharatiya Divas is celebrated every year on January 9 as Mahatma Gandhi returned to India from South Africa. The first celebration of this day started in 2003.

62. (b) Jasbinder Bilan

Indian-origin writer Jasbinder Bilan has been awarded the UK Children's Book Award for her debut novel Asha and the Spirit Bird. In this novel, the writer has narrated her childhood biography in the context of the Himalayan Mountains.

63. (d) Justin Bieber

Canadian pop singer Justin Bieber recently revealed that he is battling with Lyme disease. He revealed in an instagram post that he has been diagnosed with this chronic infection for past some time.

64. (c) Birmingham

The Commonwealth Games 2022 will be held in Birmingham. It is the third time when England will host the event. These games will be held between July 27 to August 7, 2020.

65. (d) JNU

The Jawaharlal Nehru University has set up a five member panel to probe the recent violent incident in the campus. The committee will be headed by Prof Sushant Mishra. It will probe security lapses, if any, and recommend steps for students' safety and submit its report at the earliest.

66. (a) Reliance Jio

Reliance Jio has launched its Wi-Fi calling service for both voice and video calling platforms. Reliance Jio's Wi-Fi service will be known as VoWiFi.

67. (c) Andhra Pradesh

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68. (b) Supreme Court

The Supreme Court ordered a stay on NCLAT's order reinstating Cyrus Mistry as the executive chairman of Tata Sons. The court also issued a notice to Mistry.

69. (b) **10 January**

World Hindi Day is celebrated every year on January 10. Former Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh announced to celebrate World Hindi Day in 2006. The first World Hindi Conference was organized in Nagpur on January 10, 1976.

70. (c) Visakhapatnam

The International Naval Program 'Milan' will be held in Visakhapatnam in March 2020. Milan 2020 is an international exercise of the Indian Navy. Its goal is to increase professional contacts between navies and learn from each other's strengths. Earlier, Visakhapatnam had organized International Fleet Review in 2016.

71. (a) Zoran Milanovic

Former Prime Minister of Croatia, Zoran Milanovic, has recently won the presidential election on 09 January 2020.

72. (b) Samiya Naseem

Samiya Naseem of Indian origin has been recently appointed as the judge of Chicago. She will soon take the charge. US Attorney General William Barr appointed her on the post of the judge of Chicago.

73. (d) Gujarat

The Gujarat Assembly will move a motion to support the Citizen Amendment Act(CAA) in a one-day special session. The session has been convened as per the provision in article 176 of the constitution.

74. (a) April 1st

Census India-2021 will begin on April 1, 2020 and will end on September 30, 2020. The census will be conducted through a mobile phone application, moving away from the traditional pen and paper.

75. (b) January 31st

The UK MPs finally approved the Brexit deal on January 9, 2020 by 330-231 votes, paving the way for Britain's smooth exit from the European Union on January 31. The move is historic, as the deal was stuck in the British Parliament for over a year.

76. (b) Delhi

The Income-Tax Department has launched a 24x7 control room to monitor black money and illegal inducements in poll-bound Delhi. The department has launched a toll-free number-1800117574 – where people can inform the department about any misuse of money power.

77. (c) Succession

Succession, a British-American comedy-drama television series won the 2020 Golden Globe award in Best Television Series – Drama category. The series is created by Jesse Armstrong.

78. (d) 1917

The Best Feature Film award (Drama) was given to '1917' while the Best Actor Award was given to Joaquin Phoenix for 'Joker'. The first Golden Globe Award was given in 1944. This time 77th edition of this award was held.

79. (b) Hassan Minhai

The US-based political commentator and comedian Hassan Minhaj was ranked first in Forbes India's list of 20 people to watch in the 2020s. Kanhaiya Kumar, Prashant Kishor, and Mahua Moitra have also found a place in the list. Environmental Activist Greta Thunberg was ranked 15th on the list.

80. (c) Nine

The Supreme Court has constituted a new nine-judge bench to hear pleas seeking review of its previous judgement on the Sabarimala issue. The bench will take up all the review petitions from January 13, 2020.

81. (d) Karnataka

Human Space Flight Infrastructure Centre will be established by the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) in Challakere, Karnataka. This training center will be constructed in 400 acres at a cost of Rs 2700 crore.

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83. (b) SBI

The State of Bank of India launched a 'residential builder finance with buyer guarantee' scheme to revive the Indian real estate sector on January 8, 2020. Under the scheme, the largest public sector bank will issue a guarantee for completion of select residential projects to customers availing home loans from it.

84. (a) Sarbjeet Kaur

Indian weightlifter Sarbjeet Kaur has been banned from the sport for four years after being found guilty of a doping violation. The weightlifter had won the 71kg event at the women's national weightlifting championships in February 2019.

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90. (b) Nine

The Best Picture category of Oscars 2020 has a total of nine nominations including Marriage Story, The Irishman, Joker, Once Upon a Time in Hollywood, Little Women and the Golden Globe winner 1917.

91. (a) Qaboos bin Said

Oman's longest-serving ruler, Sultan Qaboos bin Said passed away on January 10, 2020. Haitham bin Tariq al-Said was sworn in as the new Sultan of Oman on January 12, 2020.

92. (d) January 31st

The Directorate General of Civil Aviation has asked all the people possessing and flying

drones to register their gadgets by January 31, 2020. The Ministry of Civil Aviation said in a public notice that those who fail to register their drones by then will have to face appropriate action under the Indian Penal Code.

93. (c) Lahore HC

A three judge bench of the Lahore High Court unanimously declared all actions against former Pakistani President Pervez Musharraf right from the initiation of the complaint to the special court's final ruling as "unconstitutional".

94. (b) 12 January

The National Youth Day is observed annually on January 12 to commemorate Swami Vivekananda's birth anniversary. The day aims to promote optimistic thought among the youth of the nation.

95. (d) Kimia Alizadeh

Iran's Kimia Alizadeh recently announced that she is leaving the nation forever through her instagram account. She is the only woman from Iran to win an Olympic medal. She had bagged bronze at the 2016 Rio Olympics.

96. (c) Shyama Prasad Mukherjee

Kolkata Port Trust has been renamed as Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Trust by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee was a popular politician and barrister.

97. (b) Article 131

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99. (c) 15 January

Indian Army Day is celebrated on January 15 every year. India is celebrating 72nd Army Day on January 15, 2020. Field Marshal KM Cariappa took command of the Indian Army on January 15, 1949 from General Francis Butcher.

100. (b) Ben Stokes

The International Cricket Council (ICC) announced the annual cricket awards for 2019. England's cricketer Ben Stokes has been selected as the ICC's best cricketer of 2019.

101. (c) Sri Lanka

Sri Lankan President Gotabaya Rajapaksa has decided to raise the minimum daily wage of estate workers to Rs 1000 from March 1, 2020.

102. (b) AP Maheshwari

The 1984 batch IPS officer AP Maheshwari has been appointed as new Director General of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF).

103. (c) Kerala

According to the rankings provided by the Economist Intelligence Unit, three cities in Kerala - Malappuram, Kozhikode and Kollam - are among the top 10 fastest growing urban areas in the world in terms of population growth rate.

104. (a) January 15

The foundation day of the India Meteorological Department (IMD) is observed every year on January 15, 2020.

105. (a) MS Dhoni

Former Indian skipper MS Dhoni has been dropped from BCCI's annual player contracts for 2020. Dinesh Karthik has also been left out. On the other hand, Washinton Sundar and Mayank Agarwal have been included in the central contract list for the period between October 2019-September 2020.

106. (c) Goa

The Yashaswini Scheme for Women entrepreneurship was launched in Goa by Union WCD Minister Smriti Irani on January 11, 2020. The scheme aims to support women SHGs with interest-free loans up to Rs 5 lakh.

107. (a) Swasthya Sakhi Project

Union WCD Minister Smriti Irani launched Swasthya Sakhi Project in Goa on January 11, 2020 to ensure the wellness & welfare of women, especially during pregnancy. Under the project, the state government will provide doorstep diagnostic services.

108. (b) Russia

Russian Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev resigned from his post on January 15, 2020 along with his cabinet. The Russian Prime Minister resigned soon after President Vladimir Putin announced some constitutional reforms.

109. (a) Saksham

The Petroleum Conservation Research Association (PCRA) has launched a campaign called 'Saksham' to create awareness about fuel conservation in India. The objective of this campaign is to make people aware about the appropriate use of oil and gas.

110. (c) Amazon

Jeff Bezos, the founder of Amazon, has recently announced during his India visit that Amazon will invest USD 1 billion to digitalize small and medium enterprises in India. Jeff Bezos established this company on July 5, 1994.

111. (d) Captain Tanya Shergill

Captain Tanya Shergill led the all-men contingent during the Army Day parade held on the occasion of 72nd Indian Army Day in Delhi. Captain Shergill is an electronics and communications graduate.

112. (a) China

The United States has finally signed the first phase of a trade agreement with China. This concludes almost a year of negotiations, which were halted in between due to the suspension of talks between the two nations for a few months.

113. (a) January 20th

Prime Minister Narendra Modi's interaction programme 'Pariksha Pe Charcha-2020 will be held at Talkatora Stadium in New Delhi on January 20, 2020. The event is expected to witness participation from over 2000 students, teachers and parents from across the nation.

114. (c)Assam

The central government, Assam state government and the World Bank signed a USD 88 million loan agreement on January 16, 2020 to improve Assam's passenger ferry infrastructure and services.

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Harish Salve has been appointed as the Queen's Counsel for the courts of England and Wales. He was India's lead counsel in the Kulbhushan Jadhav extradition case at the International Court of Justice.

116. (a) Ukraine

The Prime Minister of Ukraine, Oleksiy Honcharuk resigned from his position on January 17, 2020, after less than six months in office. The 35-year-old is Ukraine's youngest-ever head of government.

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The Union Home Affairs Minister Amit Shah on January 16, 2020 presided over the signing of a historic agreement between the central government, Tripura and Mizoram and the Bru-Reang representatives, ending the 23-year old Bru-Reang refugee crisis. In 1997, around 30,000 Bru-Reang tribals were forced to flee Mizoram due to ethnic tension and seek shelter in Tripura.

118. (d) 84

According to the Henley Passport Index, Japan's passport is the most powerful passport in the world. Indian passport secured 84th position in the list. In 2019, India's ranking was 82.

119. (c) Tibet

The People's Congress of Tibet recently passed a law that makes ethnic unity in the region mandatory. The law highlights that Tibet is unchallengeable part of China since ancient times.

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The Union Health Ministry on January 17, 2020 issued a travel advisory to passengers traveling to and from China due to the outbreak of Novel Coronavirus. There are reports of 41 confirmed cases of the virus in China, which includes one death in Wuhan, China.

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Peter Dinklage won the 'Best Actor' award in a drama series at the SAG Awards 2020 for his role as Tyrion Lannister in the popular TV show, Game of Thrones. The show also won the SAG award for best action in television stunt ensembles.

133. (d) Andhra Pradesh

The Andhra Pradesh state government has introduced a new bill in the state assembly to create three state capitals- legislative capital in Amaravati, executive capital in Visakhapatnam and judicial capital in Kurnool.

134. (c) Jagat Prakash Nadda

Jagat Prakash Nadda has been elected as the 11th National President of the BJP, succeeding Union Home Minister Amit Shah. Nadda was appointed as the working President of the party in June 2019.

135. (c) K-4

India successfully test-fired K-4 ballistic missile on January 19, 2020 off the coast of Andhra Pradesh. The missile with a strike range of 3500km is a nuclear capable ballistic missile, which will enhance India's capabilities to hit enemy targets from submarines.

136. (b) Delhi

AAP chief and Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal launched a 'Guarantee Card' on January 19, 2020. The card comprises 10 guarantees for Delhi residents including 24x7 drinking water supply and power supply, affordable homes for the poor, free public bus travel for students and appointment of Mohalla marshals to ensure safety of women.

137. (a) Uttar Pradesh

The Uttar Pradesh government has decided to launch a unique scheme, under which it will provide stalls to the divyangs for opening of shops at the prime locations such as bus stops. The move aims to help the people live an independent life with dignity.

138. (b) China

The dearly Coronavirus has spread widely in China with 139 confirmed new cases. The virus was first reported in Wuhan in late December 2019. Since then, a total of 198 cases have been reported, raising concerns regarding the containment of the virus.

139. (a) Arjun Munda

Arjun Munda was elected as the new President of the Archery Association of India (AAI) on January 18, 2020. He defeated his rival BVP Rao with 34-18 votes.

140. (b) IMF

The International Monetary Fund (IMF), in its January World Economic Outlook, has announced reduced growth forecasts for India to just 4.8 percent in 2019 and 5.8 percent in

2020. The report also predicted downgrade in the global growth forecast for the next two years and largely credited the slowdown to India's slow economic growth.

141. (d) Iran

Iran announced on January 20, 2020 that it will consider withdrawing from the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) deal if the dispute over its nuclear programme goes before the United Nations Security Council.

142. (c) Kurnool

The Andhra Pradesh state assembly passed the bill proposing creation of three state capitals on January 20, 2020. The bill proposes the development of Amaravati as the legislative capital, Visakhapatnam as executive capital and Kurnool as the judicial capital of the state.

143. (d) June 1st

The One Nation One Ration Card Scheme will be implemented across India from June 1, 2020, as per the announcement made by Union Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution. The all-India implementation of the scheme has been preponed from its original date of 30th June to 1st June.

144. (b) Sukhoi-30

The Indian Air Force inducted its first squadron of Sukhoi-30 MKI aircraft which are capable of carrying BrahMos supersonic cruise missile. The induction ceremony of the 222 'Tigersharks' fighter squadron was held at Thanjavur airbase.

145. (c) January 24th

The National Girl Child Day will be celebrated on January 24, 2020. The day aims to create awareness in the society about the rights of daughters and to provide new opportunities to the daughters for their social and financial development.

146. (a) Jair Bolsonaro

Brazil's President Jair Bolsonaro will be the Chief Guest at India's 71st Republic Day. Bolsonaro will be arriving in New Delhi for a four-day visit to India on January 24, 2020.

147. (b) Fifth

India was placed at the 5th position in the annual Carbon Disclosure Project 2019. The project report has been published by a global non-profit organization.

148. (c) United States

The United States topped the annual Carbon Disclosure Project report with 135 companies disclosing their climate-related activities, followed by Japan in the second position with 83 companies and the UK in the third position with 78 countries.

149. (c) Deepika Padukone

The popular Indian actress, Deepika Padukone was awarded the Crystal Award 2020 during the opening session of the World Economic Forum on January 21, 2020. She was honoured with the award for her leadership in raising awareness about mental health illness.

150. (b) Greece

Greece has elected Katerini Sakellaropoulou as the first woman president in the country's

history. The 63-year-old was elected to the top post in a historic parliamentary vote on January 22, 2020, which saw 261 of the total 294 MPs vote in favour of her.

151. (a) Davos

The 50th World Economic Forum (WEF) will be held in Davos, Switzerland from January 21-24, 2020. The forum will see the participation from over 50 heads of state from 117 nations across the world.

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153. (d) Four

ISRO has identified four astronauts for its upcoming Gaganyaan mission. The training of the astronauts is scheduled to begin in the third week of January in Russia. Gaganyaan will be a crewed orbital spacecraft, which will take the astronauts to space for a minimum of seven days by 2022. The mission is a part of the Indian Human Spaceflight Programme.

154. (b) Bangladesh

Bangladesh's Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina launched e-passport facility for all citizens of the nation in Dhaka on January 22, 2020. The e-passports will have an embedded chip in them that will contain all the required bio-metric data of the passport holder including photograph and other information that is there on the regular passport. The facility will also have digital security features.

155. (a) Coronavirus

Chinese government has reported a sharp rise in the number of people infected with the mysterious Coronavirus. Government of India has also issued an advisory to the major airports of India to avoid any risk of Coronavirus.

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Hyderabad was recently selected as the world's most dynamic city. Hyderabad topped the list among 129 cities across the world. However, Bangalore ranked 2nd and while Delhi got 6th position.

157. (a) UAE

The Ministry of Law and Justice recently declared United Arab Emirates (UAE) to be a "reciprocating territory". It allows the law on the subject of execution of decrees of Courts in India by foreign Courts and vice versa.

158. (d) UNCTAD

The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development recently released the World Investment Trends Monitor-2019 report. The report describes that India ranked among the top-10 recipients of FDI in 2019. India's FDI during this period was USD 49 billion.

159. (b) India

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161. (d) Myanmar

The International Court of Justice announced its verdict in the Rohingya genocide case at the Hague on January 23, 2020. The court directed Myanmar to take "all measures within its powers" to prevent alleged genocide against Rohingyas.

162. (b) The Gambia

The Gambia had filed a suit at the International Court of Justice in November 2019, asking the court to urgently put a stop to "Myanmar's genocidal conduct immediately". The petition was supported by Canada, the Netherlands and the 57-member Organisation for Islamic Cooperation.

163. (a) 23 January

India celebrated the 123rd birth anniversary of Subhash Chandra Bose on January 23, 2020. He was born on January 23, 1897. He established Indian National Army (INA) and started the Indian National Radio in Germany. It is believed that he died in a plane crash on August 18, 1945.

164.(b) 51

India has slipped to 51st rank in Economist Intelligence Unit's (EIU) Global Democracy Index-2019. China was ranked 153 while Pakistan secured 108th position in the index.

165. (d) 188 million

The International Labour Organisation (ILO) has released World Employment and Social Outlook Trends 2020' that informed about 188 million people are currently unemployed in the world. The report also informed that about 2.5 million people will become unemployed in 2020.

166. (c) Niger

Nigerien President Mahamadou Issoufou and Union Foreign Minister S Jaishanker jointly inaugurated the Mahatma Gandhi International Convention Center in Niger. The centre has all the state of the art facilities along with environment friendly atmosphere. With the visit, S. Jaishanker has become the first Indian foreign Minister to travel to Niger.

167. (a) SBI

Challa Sreenivasulu Setty has been appointed as the new Managing Director (MD) of the State Bank of India (SBI). He will remain on this post for the next three years.

168. (c) AAI

The World Archery conditionally lifted the suspension imposed on the Archery Association of India on January 23, 2020. The move comes less than a week after elections were held for

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169. (c) 24 January

The National Girl Child Day is observed across the country on January 24 every year. The day aims to highlight the issues and problems of girls that they face in their daily lives. It was initiated by Government of India in year 2008.

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The Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar 2020 was conferred to 49 children under various categories by President Ram Nath Kovind at the Rashtrapati Bhavan on January 22, 2020.

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Uttarakhand's Disaster Mitigation & Management Centre won the Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar 2020 on January 23, 2020 in the institution category. Kumar Munnan Singh won the award in the individual category. The award aims to recognise the excellent work in the field of disaster management.

172. (d) 72

India has climbed eight places in the Global Talent Competitiveness Index-2020. India is ranked 72 in the index this year. It is the seventh edition of the Global Talent Competition Index. Switzerland secured the first place while USA and Singapore got second and third places respectively.

173. (d) 80

India ranked on 80th position in Corruption Perception Index-2019 released by Transparency International. Denmark and New Zealand topped the list with equal score while Somalia and Syria got the bottom positions.

174. (a) Uttar Pradesh

The UP government recently launched Mukhyamantri Krishak Durghatna Kalyan Yojana (MKDKY) to provide financial assistance to family members of farmer who passes away or die or handicapped while working in the field.

175. (c) France

France will be the guest of honour at the New Delhi World Book Fair in January 2022. The announcement was made by the French Ambassador to India, Emmanuel Lenain on January 24, 2020. India was the guest of honour this year at Livre Paris (Paris Book Fair).

176. (d) North Korea

North Korea will send a delegation to the Munich Security Conference for the first time in 56 years. North Korean Vice Foreign Minister Kim Son Gyong is expected to attend the top diplomatic gathering next month.

177. (b) Bhopal

India's first e-waste clinic has opened in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh. The clinic would facilitate segregation, processing and disposal of waste from both household and commercial units.

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The United States has amended visitor visa rules to restrict 'birth tourism'. The US will no longer issue temporary visitor visas to foreigners seeking to enter the nation for birth tourism. The new visa rules will come into effect from January 24, 2020.

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191. (b) Kangana Ranaut

The government of India announced the names of Padma Shri award 2020 winners on January 26, 2020. The list includes Bollywood actress Kangana Ranaut, film director/ producer Karan Johar and Ekta Kapoor among others. The Padma Awards are announced every year on the occasion of the Republic Day.

192. (a) Billie Eilish

Billie Eilish won maximum awards along with her brother Finneas including best song and record of the year for 'Bad Guy' at the 62nd annual Grammy Awards ceremony in Los Angeler on January 26, 2020. She also became the first artist to win Album of the Year, Record of the Year, Song of the Year and Best New Artist in the same year after Christopher Cross in 1981.

193. (b) Social Cues

American rock band Cage the Elephant's album, Social Cues won 'Best Rock Album' at the Grammy 2020 awards.

194. (d) Maharashtra

The Maharashtra state government launched the 'Shiv Bhojan' scheme on January 26, 2020. The scheme aims to provide a meal to the poor in just Rs 10.

195. (d) Kobe Bryant

NBA legend Kobe Bryant passed away in a tragic plane crash on January 26, 2020. Bryant is counted among the greatest players of basketball ever. He had played for Los Angeles Lakers for over 20 years and the NBA title five times. Bryant's 13-year-old daughter Gianna also died in the crash.

196. (c) Assam

Home Minister Amit Shah, National Democratic Front of Bodoland (NDFB), All Bodo Students Union (ABSU) and the Assam Government signed a historic peace accord on January 27, 2020. The Indian Government believes that the accord will bring peace in the region.

197. (b) Air India

The Union Government has announced its plan of selling its 100 percent stake in Air India on January 27, 2020. The government has invited bids with March 17 as the deadline for the expression of interest (EOI) submissions.

198. (a) Punjab

President Ram Nath Kovind conferred the 'Best CEO for Accessible Elections' award to Punjab chief electoral officer S Karuna Raju at a ceremony on January 25, 2020. The Punjab Chief Election Officer was honoured for providing accessibility to vote to senior citizens, persons with disabilities (divyang) and ill persons during Lok Sabha elections 2019.

199. (b) 25 January

The National Voters' Day is celebrated annually on January 25. The day was celebrated for the first time in January 2011. The election commission of India was founded on January 25, 1950.

200. (c) Andhra Pradesh

The Andhra Pradesh Cabinet passed a resolution proposing the abolishment of the state Legislative Council on January 27, 2020. The ruling Jagan Mohan Reddy-led YSR Congress has a minority in the Legislative Council.

201. (d) Namibia

The Supreme Court has allowed the introduction of African Cheetah from Namibia to suitable habitat in India on January 28, 2020. The top court has allowed relocation of the cheetah to the Kuno National Park in Madhya Pradesh or any other part of the nation following a detailed study on all the aspects of its relocation.

202. (b) Madagascar

The Indian Navy has launched operation 'Vanilla' to provide disaster relief in Madagascar. The operation aims to provide assistance to the affected population of Madagascar post devastation caused by Cyclone Diane.

203. (c) Jerusalem

As per US President Donald Trump's middle-east peace plan, Jerusalem will remain Israel's undivided capital. The US President has proposed a two-state solution with two different capitals to solve the long-standing Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

204. (a) Oatar

Sheikh Khalid bin Khalifa bin Abdulaziz Al Thani has been appointed as the new Prime Minister of Qatar, succeeding Sheikh Abdullah bin Nasser bin Khalifa Al Thani. He was appointed by Qatar's Emir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad al-Thani on January 28, 2020.

205. (d) Bangladesh

Bangladesh has decided to provide formal education to the Rohingya children living in the refugee camps. The Rohingva refugee children living in Bangladesh were earlier barred from receiving formal education. They were being given primary education in temporary learning centres set up by the UN children's agency (UNICEF).

206. (c) US

The US House of Representatives has passed a bill that authorises financial and travel sanctions against Chinese officials who interfere in the selection process of selecting the successor to the Dalai Lama.

207. (c) Saina Nehwal

Indian shuttler Saina Nehwal joined the Bharatiya Janata Party on January 29, 2020. Saina Nehwal has won 24 International titles including a Bronze medal in the 2012 London Olympics. She was ranked world number one in 2015.

208. (a) British Airways

The British Airways has suspended all its flights to and from China due to the spread of the deadly coronavirus. All the flights have been suspended following an advice from the United Kingdom Foreign Office.

209. (a) Assam

Assam's tableau was adjudged the best among all the 16 participating states and union territories at the Republic Day Parade 2020. The tableau was based on the theme 'Land of Unique Craftsmanship and Culture'.

210. (b) 10 Days

The Supreme Court has fixed 10 days to hear all the cases related to discrimination against women at religious places including the Sabarimala temple. The top court had in its 2018 judgement allowed all women to enter the Sabarimala temple, irrespective of their age.

211. (c) Israel

Saudi Arabia has refused to allow Israeli citizens from visiting the country. The gulf kingdom does not share any diplomatic relations with Israel due to the ongoing Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

212. (c) GATI

Union Minister Nitin Gadkari has recently launched the online web portal 'GATI'. This portal allows everyone to register complaints related to the national highway construction.

213. (d) 28 January

Lala Lajpat Rai's birthday is celebrated every year on January 28. This year, Lala Lajpat Rai's 155th birthday was celebrated. He was born on January 28, 1865 in Monga district of Punjab.

214. (c) Gandhinagar

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the Global Potato Conclave 2020 in Gandhi Nagar, Gujarat on January 28, 2020. Scientists from various countries are participating in Global Potato Conclave. They will discuss important aspects related to the world's food and nutrition demand.

215. (c) Sanjana Kapoor

India origin theatre artist Sanjana Kapoor has been selected for prestigious French honour of "Chevalier dans lOrdre des Arts et des Lettres (Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters).

216. (d) West Bengal

West Bengal has become the fourth state to pass anti-CAA resolution on January 27, 2020. The West Bengal state government's resolution demands that the controversial CAA law be repealed and NPR, NRC be withdrawn.

217. (b) 2020

The Union Government has targeted to install 175 Giga Watt renewable energy by 2022 to build a healthy planet with less carbon intensive economy.

218. (d) Rajinikanth

Rajinikanth will soon feature in a Man vs Wild episode with survivalist and popular adventurer Bear Grylls. PM Modi had featured in one of the episodes of the survival series in 2019. The episode was shot at the Jim Corbett National Park in Uttarakhand.

219. (b) Thailand

India's Gita Sabharwal was appointed as the United Nations Resident Coordinator in Thailand on January 29, 2020. The UN Resident Coordinators, designated representatives of the UN Secretary-General, are the highest-ranking representatives of the UN's country-level development system.

220. (d) 30 January

The World Leprosy Eradication Day is observed annually across the globe on January 30. The day was chosen by the World Health Organisation as a tribute to the Mahatma Gandhi, who was assassinated on January 30, 1948. Mahatma Gandhi had a compassion for the people affected with leprosy.

221. (b) Mahatma Gandhi

Mahatma Gandhi's Martyrdom day is observed annually on January 30. He was killed by Nathuram Godse on this day in January 1948. This year India is observing the 72nd death anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi.

222. (a) Operation Vanilla

The Indian Navy recently launched 'Operation Vanilla' to help Madagascar after a severe cyclone hit the country. About 92,000 people have been affected by the natural disaster in Madagascar.

223. (d) Bengaluru

Bengaluru topped the list of Global Traffic Index recently released by a Netherlands-based global provider of navigation. According to the results, a commuter in Bengaluru spent 243 hours in traffic while driving during peak hours in 2019.

224. (c) Kerala

The government of India has released a press statement that Kerala has reported first confirmed case of Coronavirus. The patient of Novel Coronavirus is being kept in isolation in a hospital.

225. (d) China

According to the annual report on weapons by Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), China is the second biggest weapon producer country after the United States. China has surpassed Russian companies.

226. (c) European Parliament

The European Parliament decided not conduct a vote on a resolution against India's new citizenship law on January 30, 2020. The deferment of the voting on the Citizenship Amendment Act is a diplomatic victory for India.