



# EXCEL CIVILS ACADEMY

## DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS

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### EXPLANATION

1. Ans. a

The day is observed to commemorate the enactment of the Legal Services Authorities Act and to create awareness about the various provisions related to the act

2. Ans. a

India – Mauritius Trade relation The India-Mauritius CECPA will be the first trade Agreement to be signed by India with a country in Africa. The Agreement is a limited agreement, which will cover Trade in Goods, Rules of Origin, Trade in Services, Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT), Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) measures, Dispute Settlement, Movement of Natural Persons, Telecom, Financial services, Customs Procedures and Cooperation in other Areas. Mauritius is an important development partner of India. India had extended a ‘Special Economic Package’ of USD 353 million to Mauritius in 2016. The new Supreme Court building project is one of the five projects being implemented under this package and was jointly inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

3. Ans. c

International Criminal Court

It is an intergovernmental organization and international tribunal that sits in The Hague in the Netherlands. The ICC has the jurisdiction to prosecute individuals for the international crimes of Genocide, crimes against humanity, and war crimes. The ICC began functioning on 1 July 2002, the date that the Rome Statute entered into force. the Rome Statute is a multilateral treaty which serves as the ICC's foundational and governing document. States which become party to the Rome Statute, for example by ratifying it, become member states of the ICC. India - Non-state party, non-signatory

4. Ans .b

Union Agriculture Minister announced the "Nutrition Smart Village" programme to reach out to 75 villages across India.

5. Ans. a

Obavva is considered to be the epitome of Kannada pride

6. Ans. b

Explanation

NASA will launch its first planetary defense test mission named the Double Asteroid Redirection Test (DART). The DART spacecraft will be launched on a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket. Hence, statement 1 is not correct. The aim of the mission is to test the new technology to be prepared in case an asteroid heads towards Earth in the future. The aim is to test the newly developed technology that would allow a spacecraft to crash into an asteroid and change its course. Hence, statement 2 is correct. After the mission has collided with the asteroid, scientists will study its impact on the trajectory of the asteroid with a range of telescopes deployed on different regions of the planet. DART will be the first demonstration of the kinetic impactor technique to change the motion of an asteroid in space. The target of the spacecraft is a small moonlet called Dimorphos (Greek for “two forms”). Dimorphos orbits a larger asteroid named Didymos (Greek for “twin”). It is a suicide mission and the spacecraft will be completely destroyed. The collision is expected to take place between 26th September and 1st October, 2022.

7. Ans. c

Explanation

The desert locust (*Schistocerca gregaria*) is a short-horned grasshopper. Harmless when solitary, locusts undergo a behavioural change when their population builds up rapidly. They enter the ‘gregarious phase’ by forming huge swarms that can travel up to 150 km per day, eating up every bit of greenery on their way. Effect of Climate Change: Change in cyclonic patterns over the Arabian Sea is behind the locust invasions in east Africa, west and south Asia, in 2020. Unusual rainfall in Iran helped in their breeding. Locusts are known to be passive flyers and generally follow the wind. Their movement has been aided by westerly winds, which were further strengthened by the low-pressure area created by Cyclone Amphan (2019) in the Bay of Bengal. Hence, statement 1 is correct. Locust infestations can harm livelihoods and be a threat to regional investments in ensuring food security. Hence statement 2 is correct.

8. Ans. a

The Project includes the construction of six submarines of Scorpene design

9. Ans. c

10. Ans. d

The sixth edition of the Indo-French Shakti 2021 (bilateral joint training exercise), will be conducted

in November in Frejus, France. Gagan Shakti is conducted by the Indian Air Force to showcase its air dominance over the entire extended area of the Indian Ocean Region. Garuda Shakti is the joint military exercise between India and Indonesia. Mitra Shakti is the joint military exercise between India and Sri Lanka. Harimau Shakti is India-Malaysia joint military exercise. Hence, option D is correct.