



EXCEL CIVILS ACADEMY

DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS

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EXPLANATION

1. Ans) (b)

Explanation:

There has been an increase in FDI inflows into India recently. Measures taken by the Government regarding Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) policy reforms, investment facilitation and ease of doing business have contributed to the increase.

The trends in India's FDI are:

Highest ever total FDI inflow of US \$81.72 billion during the year 2020-21. It is 10% higher as compared to last year (US\$ 74.39 billion). Top investor countries: Singapore (29%), U.S.A (23%) and Mauritius (9%) Maximum FDI received sector-wise: Computer Software & Hardware (44%), Construction (Infrastructure) Activities (13%) and Services Sector (8%) Maximum FDI received state-wise: Gujarat (37%), Maharashtra (27%) and Karnataka (13%).

2. Ans) (a)

Explanation:

The National Green Tribunal (NGT) has appointed a joint committee to look into allegations of unauthorised construction activity taking place in Mekedatu. The Karnataka government had proposed to construct a dam across the Cauvery River at the same place. Important value additions The Mekedatu multi-purpose project involves building a balancing reservoir across the Cauvery River near Kanakapura in Ramanagaram district. It envisages supplying drinking water to Bengaluru and Ramanagaram districts, besides generation of power. However, Tamil Nadu has opposed it on the grounds that the project violates the Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal award.

3. Ans) (a)

Explanation:

Shahi litchi was in the news recently. Season's first consignment of Shahi Litchi from Bihar was exported to UK. It is a major boost to the export of GI certified products. Shahi litchi is the fourth agricultural products to get GI certification from Bihar in 2018. Jardalu mango, Katarni rice and Magahi paan are other GI certified products from the state. India is the second largest producer of litchi (Litchi chin) in the world, after China. Top producer: Bihar Important value additions Litchi is a sub-tropical fruit.

It thrives best under moist sub-tropical climate. Ideal conditions for growth: Deep, well drained loamy soil, rich in organic matter and having pH in the range of 5 to 7.

4. Ans) (a)

Explanation:

Mount Nyiragongo erupted in the Democratic Republic of Congo after almost two decades, forcing thousands to flee their homes. The lava destroyed more than 500 homes on the outskirts on Goma city but the city at large was saved.

5. Ans) (a)

Explanation:

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration has announced its first mobile robot to the moon in late 2023. The rover will search for ice as well as other resources on and below the lunar surface.

6. Ans) (b)

Explanation:

The International Day for Biological Diversity is a United Nations–sanctioned international day for the promotion of biodiversity issues. It is currently held on May 22.

7. Ans) (c)

Explanation:

Two celestial events- the Supermoon and a total lunar eclipse- will be observed on May 26. Significantly, a supermoon and a total lunar eclipse have not occurred together in nearly six years.

What is a supermoon?

A supermoon occurs when the Moon's orbit is closest to the Earth at the same time that the Moon is full. In a typical year, there may be two to four full supermoons and two to four new supermoons in a row.

As the Moon orbits the Earth, there is a point of time when the distance between the two is the least (called the perigee when the average distance is about 360,000 km from the Earth) and a point of time when the distance is the most (called the apogee when the distance is about 405,000 km from the Earth).

Why does the moon appear to be red during the event on May 26?

Because of the total lunar eclipse, the moon will also appear to be red. This is because the Earth will block some of the light from the Sun from reaching the moon and as the Earth's atmosphere filters the light, it will soften "the edge of our planet's shadow" "giving the Moon a deep, rosy glow."

8. Ans) (c)

Explanation:

The Central government will set up One Stop Centres (OSCs) across 10 missions to provide assistance to Indian women who are survivors of gender-based violence. The missions where the OSCs will come up are Bahrain, Kuwait, Qatar, Oman, UAE, Jeddah and Riyadh in Saudi Arabia, Australia, Canada and Singapore.

About the scheme:

Popularly known as Sakhi, Ministry of Women and Child Development (MWCD) has formulated this Centrally Sponsored Scheme. It is a sub – scheme of Umbrella Scheme for National Mission for Empowerment of women. Target group: The OSC will support all women including girls below 18 years of age affected by violence, irrespective of caste, class, religion, region, sexual orientation or marital status. The Centres will be integrated with a Women Helpline to facilitate access to following services:

Emergency response and rescue services.

Medical assistance.

Assistance to women in lodging the FIR.

Psycho- social support and counselling.

Legal aid and counselling.

Shelter.

Video conferencing facility.

9. Ans) (a)

Explanation:

Organic farming is a type of agriculture or farming which avoids the use of synthetic fertilizers, pesticides, growth regulators and livestock feed additives. The National Programme for Organic Production (NPOP) provides for Standards for organic production, systems, criteria and procedure for accreditation of Certification Bodies, the National (India Organic) Logo and the regulations governing its use. Madhya Pradesh has covered largest area under organic certification followed by Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Karnataka, Odisha, Sikkim and Uttar Pradesh.

10. Ans) (d)

Explanation:

U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken has vowed to “rally international support” to aid Gaza following a devastating war there while keeping any assistance out of the hands of its militant Hamas rulers.

What’s the issue?

The 11-day fighting between Israel and Hamas killed more than 250 people, mostly Palestinians, and caused widespread destruction in the impoverished coastal territory. The truce that came into effect recently has so far held, but it did not address any of the underlying issues in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.