



EXCEL CIVILS ACADEMY

DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS

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EXPLANATION

1. Ans:D

Explanation:

Satellite image shows China built new village in Arunachal. The settlements are situated on the banks of Tsari Chu river in Upper Subansiri district of Arunachal. The village lies south of the McMahon Line. The McMahon Line demarcates between Tibet and India's Northeast, which is disputed by China.

2. Ans:C

Explanation:

A geographical indication (GI) tag has been sought for one of the costliest mushrooms in the world that grows in Jammu and Kashmir's Doda district. Locally called Gucchi, or Morel, the mushroom, priced at over Rs. 20,000 a kg, is a forest produce collected by local farmers and tribals. It is said to have medicinal and anti-inflammatory properties. It is found in the temperate forests.

3. Ans: C

Explanation:

Indonesia's Mount Semeru has erupted, pouring ash an estimated 5.6km (3.4 miles) into the sky above Java, the country's most densely populated island. Semeru – also known as “The Great Mountain” – is the highest volcano in Java and one of the most active. It is located in the subduction zone, where the Indo-Australia plate subducts under the Eurasia plate. It is also one of Indonesia's most popular tourist hiking destinations. The volcano previously erupted in December, when about 550 people were evacuated.

4. Ans:A

Explanation:

Tala-Maddale is an ancient form of performance dialogue or debate performance in Southern India in the Karavali and Malnad regions of Karnataka and Kerala. The plot and content of the conversation is drawn from popular mythology but the performance mainly consists of an impromptu debate between characters involving sarcasm, puns, philosophy positions and humour. The main plot is sung from the same oral texts used for the Yakshgana form of dance- drama. Performers claim that this was a more intellectual rendition of the dance during the monsoon season.

5. Ans:C

Explanation:

The Union Culture Ministry has announced that January 23, birth anniversary of Subhas Chandra Bose, would be celebrated as “Parakram Divas”, day of courage, every year. 2021 will be 125th birth anniversary of Subhas Chandra Bose.

About Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose:

Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose had announced the establishment of the provisional government of Azad Hind in occupied Singapore in Known as Arzi Hukumat-e-Azad Hind, it was supported by the Axis powers of Imperial Japan, Nazi Germany, the Italian Social Republic, and their allies. He had launched a struggle to free India from British rule under the banner of the provisional government-in exile during the latter part of the Second World War. Under his provisional government, the Indians living abroad had been united. Under the provisional government, Bose was the head of the state, the prime minister and the minister for war and foreign affairs. Subhash Chandra Bose was twice elected President of the Indian National Congress, (1938-Haripur and 1939-Tripuri). He resigned from the Congress Presidentship in 1939 and organised the All India Forward Bloc a faction within the Congress in Bengal.

6. Ans:B

Explanation:

It is a bike-based casualty transport emergency vehicle. Institute of Nuclear Medicine and Allied Sciences (INMAS), Delhi based DRDO laboratory, handed over Rakshita to Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF). The bike ambulance will help in overcoming the problems faced by Indian security forces and emergency healthcare providers.

7. Ans:D

Explanation:

Kalaripayattu is set to see a surge in popularity with the establishment of an academy in the Kerala capital. Lessons in Kalaripayattu will now be taught at Kerala Tourism’s Vellar Crafts Village en route to Kovalam. The 3,500 Sq. Ft. academy in the village is scheduled to be completed in two months. Kerala Chief Minister released the syllabus of the Kalaripayattu Academy recently during the inauguration of the renovated Crafts Village.

Kalaripayattu

It is also known as Kalari.

It is an Indian martial art and fighting style that originated in Kerala. It is considered to be among the oldest martial arts still in existence, with its origin dating back to at least the 3rd century BC. It includes

strikes, kicks, grappling, preset forms, weaponry and healing methods. Practitioners of Kalaripayattu also possess intricate knowledge of pressure points on the human body and healing techniques that incorporate the knowledge of Ayurveda and Yoga. Unlike other parts of India, warriors in Kerala belonged to all castes. Women in Keralite society also underwent training in Kalaripayattu, and still do so to this day.

8. Ans:C

Explanation:

The Question Hour, which had been suspended by the government during the monsoon session, will resume when Parliament meets for the Budget session from January 29. What is Question Hour?

The first hour of every parliamentary sitting is termed as Question hour. It is mentioned in the Rules of Procedure of the House. During this time, the members ask questions and the ministers usually give answers. The questions can also be asked to the private members (MPs who are not ministers).

Question Hour in both Houses is held on all days of the session. But there are two days when an exception is made:

There is no Question Hour on the day the President addresses MPs from both Houses in the Central Hall.

Question Hour is not scheduled on the day the Finance Minister presents the Budget.

9. Ans:B

Explanation:

Indian Prime Minister recently flagged off eight trains from different parts of the country to Kevadia in Narmada district, Gujarat. Out of these eight trains, the Janshatabdi Express from Ahmedabad-Kevadia has a Vistadome coach. The Vistadome coach is a state-of-the-art coach made by Indian Railways, designed to provide passengers with travel comfort as well as an enhanced viewing experience of their surroundings. The Vistadome coach in the Janshatabdi Express has been manufactured at the Integral Coach Factory in Chennai, Tamil Nadu. It is for the first time that the Vistadome coach has been made on the Linke Hofmann Busch (LHB) platform, made for passenger coaches for trains in India.

10. Ans:A

Explanation:

Karnataka retained its position as the most innovative major state in the country in the India Innovation Index 2020 released by NITI Aayog. Karnataka scored 42.5, followed by Maharashtra at second place with a score of 38 and Tamil Nadu at third place with 37.91 score. Bihar was ranked the last in the index with 14.5 score. Himachal Pradesh topped among the NE/ Hilly states with a score of 25.06, followed by Uttarakhand and Manipur, while Meghalaya was ranked last with 12.15 score. Delhi topped among the UT/ City States with a score of 46.60, followed by Chandigarh and Daman & Diu and Lakshadweep came last with 11.71 score.