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- **National Milk Day in India** is annually celebrated on **26 November** to honour the **birth anniversary** of **Dr. Verghese Kurien**, also known as the “*Father of the White Revolution in India*”.[Click here to read more](#)

**5. When was the United Nations (UN)’s Global Day of Parents observed across the globe?**

- 1) April 25
- 2) June 1
- 3) April 12
- 4) March 18
- 5) June 4

Answer- **2) June 1**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN)’s **Global Day of Parents** 2024 was observed across the globe on **1st June**, to honor and appreciate all parents throughout the world for their selfless commitment to children and acknowledge their lifelong sacrifice in nurturing their relationship.

- The Global Day of Parents recognizes the primary responsibility of the family for the nurturing and protection of children.
- The theme of Global Day of Parents 2024 is “**The Promise of Playful Parenting**”.
- The first-ever Global Day of Parents was observed on 1st June 2013.

**6. When was International Sex Workers’ Day annually observed across the globe to recognize the exploited working conditions of sex workers?**

- 1) March 1
- 2) April 4
- 3) June 2
- 4) March 4
- 5) February 4

Answer- **3) June 2**

**Explanation:**

**International Sex Workers’ Day**, also known as **International Whores’ Day** is annually observed across the globe on **2 June** to recognise and honour sex workers globally and raise awareness about the issues sex workers face and about their exploited working conditions.

- Each year, International Sex Workers’ Day is commemorated by the Global Network of Sex Work Projects (**NSWP**), focusing on the theme, “**Access to Justice**.”
- Since **1975**, the **2nd June** of every year is commemorated as the **International Sex Workers’ Day** in Europe and worldwide.[Click here to read more](#)

**7. The United Nations (UN) World Bicycle Day is annually observed across the globe on**

- 1) May 3
- 2) February 8
- 3) March 6
- 4) June 3
- 5) January 26

Answer- **4) June 3**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN) **World Bicycle Day** 2024 was observed across the globe on **3 June** to raise awareness of the **Bicycle**, a clean and environmentally fit sustainable transport system that promotes economic growth and reduces inequalities.

- This Day promotes bicycles as an affordable, reliable, and sustainable means of transportation to combat climate change towards achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
- The **first-ever UN-designated** World Bicycle Day was observed on **3 June 2018**.[Click here to read more](#)

**8. When was the United Nations (UN) International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression annually observed across the globe?**

- 1) April 25
- 2) June 4
- 3) January 6
- 4) January 24
- 5) February 12

Answer- **2) June 4**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN) **International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression** is annually observed across the globe on **4 June** to acknowledge the pain suffered by children worldwide who are victims of physical, mental, and emotional abuse.

- This Day initially focused on the Lebanese children victims in the context of the 1982 Lebanon War and the Palestinian children victims of Israel's acts of aggression.
- The **first-ever** International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression was observed on **4th June 1983**.[Click here to read more](#)

**9. When was the United Nations (UN) World Environment Day (WED) observed across the globe?**

- 1) March 3
- 2) June 5
- 3) April 22
- 4) March 20
- 5) May 22

Answer- **2) June 5**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN) **World Environment Day (WED)** is annually observed across the globe on **5 June** to emphasise the critical importance of environmental protection and health.

- The WED event has been led by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the specialised UN agency on environmental issues, since 1973.
- The **2024 theme** of the WED campaign is, "**Land Restoration, Desertification and Drought Resilience**" under the slogan "**Our land. Our future. We are #GenerationRestoration.**"  
**Host:** The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia is the global host of World Environment Day 2024.
- The **Republic of Korea** will host **WED 2025** with a focus on ending plastic pollution globally.[Click here to read more](#)

**10. The International Day for the Fight Against Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing was observed across the globe on \_\_\_\_\_.**

- 1) April 4
- 2) March 1
- 3) February 2
- 4) May 2
- 5) June 5

Answer- **5) June 5**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN)'s **International Day for the Fight Against Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated (IUU) Fishing** is annually observed across the globe on **5th June** to address the issue of IUU fishing activities, one of the greatest threats to marine ecosystems.

- **5th June 2024** marks the observance of the **7th International Day for the Fight Against IUU Fishing**.
- The **first-ever** UN recognised International Day for the Fight Against IUU Fishing was observed on **5th June 2018**. [Click here to read more](#)

**11. The United Nations (UN)'s Russian Language Day was observed across the globe on \_\_\_\_\_ to celebrate the history, culture and development of the Russian Language.**

- 1) April 23
- 2) June 6
- 3) April 20
- 4) January 10
- 5) May 25

Answer- **2) June 6**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN)'s **Russian Language Day** is annually observed across the globe on **6th June** to highlight the significance of the **Russian language** as a symbol of national identity and cultural heritage and honour the richness and beauty of the Russian language.

- The day marks the **birth anniversary** of the great Russian poet, novelist, and playwright **Alexander Sergeevich Pushkin** (1799 to 1837), the father of modern Russian literature.
- **6th June 2024** marks the **225th birth anniversary** of **Alexander Sergeevich Pushkin**. [Click here to read more](#)

**12. When was the World Pest Day observed across the globe?**

- 1) March 15
- 2) May 16
- 3) April 25
- 4) May 12
- 5) June 6

Answer- **5) June 6**

**Explanation:**

**World Pest Day** is annually observed across the globe on **6 June** to raise awareness about the critical role of pest management in addressing pest-related challenges and protecting public health, food safety, and ensuring a safe, pest-free environment.

- The **2024 theme** of World Pest Day is, “**Global Solutions, Local Impact: Mapping Success in Pest Management.**”
- The Global Pest Management Coalition (**GPMC**) serves as a centralised **lead** for **World Pest Day**, uniting pest management organisations worldwide to raise awareness about the industry’s impact on public health and safety.
- The **1st World Pest Day** was observed on **6 June 2017** and the inaugural ceremony was held at the Beijing Hotel in **China**.[Click here to read more](#)

**13. When was the United Nations (UN) World Food Safety Day (WFSD) observed across the globe?**

- 1) April 18
- 2) May 28
- 3) June 01
- 4) May 30
- 5) June 7

Answer- **5) June 7**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (**UN**) **World Food Safety Day (WFSD)** is annually observed across the globe on **7 June** to highlight the significance of addressing food safety incidents.

- **7 June 2024** marks the observance of the **6th WFSD**.
- **WFSD** is jointly **facilitated** by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN (**FAO**) and the World Health Organization (**WHO**).
- The **2024 theme** of WFSD is, “**Food safety: prepare for the unexpected**” and the **slogan** of **WFSD 2024** is “**Food safety is everyone’s business.**”
- The **first-ever WFSD** was observed on **7 June 2019** to highlight the numerous benefits of safe food.[Click here to read more](#)

**14. When was the United Nations (UN) World Oceans Day 2024 observed across the globe with the theme “Awaken New Depths”?**

- 1) March 22
- 2) June 5
- 3) March 14
- 4) May 28
- 5) June 8

Answer- **5) June 8**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (**UN**) **World Oceans Day 2024** was observed across the globe on **8 June** to raise awareness about the impact of human actions on the ocean, develop a global movement for ocean conservation, and unite the world’s population for sustainable ocean management.

- **World Oceans Day 2024** was **hosted** by the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea of the Office of Legal Affairs (**DOALOS**) of the **UN**, in partnership with the non-profit organisation **Oceanic Global**.
- **World Oceans Day 2024** was celebrated under the **theme** “**Awaken New Depths.**”
- The **1st ever World Oceans Day** was observed on **8 June 2009**. [Click here to read more](#)

**15. World Brain Tumor Day is annually observed across the globe on \_\_\_\_\_ since 2000 to create awareness among the general public about brain tumors.**

- 1) April 7
- 2) March 3
- 3) June 8
- 4) February 4
- 5) May 15

Answer- **3) June 8**

**Explanation:**

**World Brain Tumor Day** is annually observed across the globe on **8 June** to raise awareness about brain tumours and their impact on patients and families, the significance of early detection and timely treatment, and to advocate for improved patient care.

A brain tumour is an abnormal growth of cells in the brain or around it. These growths can be benign (non-cancerous) or malignant (cancerous).

- The theme for World Brain Tumor Day 2024 is “**Brain Health and Prevention**”.
- The **Grey Ribbon** is the official symbol for **Brain Tumours** and **Brain Cancers**.[Click here to read more](#)

**16. When was World Accreditation Day 2024 observed across the globe with the theme ‘Accreditation: Empowering Tomorrow and Shaping the Future’?**

- 1) April 27
- 2) June 9
- 3) February 12
- 4) May 18
- 5) June 2

Answer- **2) June 9**

**Explanation:**

**World Accreditation Day** (WAD) is annually observed across the globe on **9 June** to highlight the role of accreditation and conformity assessment in improving various aspects of life such as consumer safety, societal trust, business reliability, and governmental effectiveness.

- The **theme** for World Accreditation Day 2024 is ‘**Accreditation: Empowering Tomorrow and Shaping the Future.**’
- **WAD** is a global initiative **established** by the International Accreditation Forum (**IAF**) and the International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (**ILAC**) to highlight the value of accreditation in 2007.
- The **1st ever WAD** was observed on **9 June 2008**.[Click here to read more](#)

**17. The UN’s first-ever International Day for Dialogue among Civilizations was observed on \_\_\_\_\_ to raise awareness of the value of the diversity of civilizations and promote dialogue, mutual respect, tolerance, and global solidarity.**

- 1) January 8
- 2) March 3
- 3) June 10
- 4) February 12
- 5) May 28

Answer- **3) June 10**

Explanation:

The **first-ever** United Nations (UN)'s **International Day for Dialogue among Civilizations** was observed on **10th June 2024** to raise awareness of the value of the diversity of civilizations and promote dialogue, mutual respect, tolerance, and global solidarity.

- This Day represents a significant step towards promoting a deeper understanding among people and respecting cultural diversity.
- This Day aligns with China's Global Civilization Initiative (GCI) which advocates respect for the diversity of civilizations, the common values of humanity, the importance of inheritance and innovation of civilizations, etc.

**18. When was International Archives Day observed across the globe to raise awareness among the public about the significance of records and archives?**

- 1) June 5
- 2) May 5
- 3) June 9
- 4) April 18
- 5) May 24

Answer- **3) June 9**

Explanation:

**International Archives Day** (IAD) is annually observed across the globe on **9 June** to raise awareness among the public about the significance of records and archives.

The **date** also **commemorates** the **founding** of the International Council on Archives (ICA) in **1948**, under the auspices of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) in Paris, France.

- **9th June 2024** marks the observance of the **76th anniversary** of the ICA.
- The **1st ever IAD** was observed on **9 June 2008**, coinciding with the 60th Anniversary of ICA.
- **2024** marked the **6th International Archives Week** (IAW) and was observed from **3-9 June 2024** under the **theme "#CyberArchives"**.
- **Archives** are the **documentary by-products** of **human activity** retained for their long-term value.

**19. International Level Crossing Awareness Day is annually observed across the world on \_\_\_\_\_ to raise the public's awareness of the risks at level crossings and to increase safety at railway crossings globally.**

- 1) February 12
- 2) January 12
- 3) April 8
- 4) May 24
- 5) June 6

Answer- **5) June 6**

**Explanation:**

The **International Level Crossing Awareness Day (ILCAD)** is annually observed across the globe on **6th June** to raise public awareness about the risks at level crossings and improve safety at railway crossings globally.

- The ILCAD campaign is widely followed by the world's railway community and is a key event for those involved in the sector.
- **6th June 2024** marked the observance of the **16th annual ILCAD**.
- The **2024 ILCAD** campaign emphasised the safety of **vulnerable people**, with the **slogan**: "**Beware of trains. Life can change in a split second**".

**20. The UN's first-ever International Day Of Play (IDOP) was observed on \_\_\_\_\_ to promote the importance of Play in the development of Children.**

- 1) February 10, 2024
- 2) March 1, 2024
- 3) May 5, 2024
- 4) June 11, 2024
- 5) May 27, 2024

Answer- **4) June 11, 2024**

**Explanation:**

The **first-ever** United Nations (UN) **International Day Of Play (IDOP)** was observed on **11 June 2024** to celebrate the power of play. The day aims to preserve, promote, and prioritise the essential role of play in human development and well-being, especially for children.

- Play is recognized as a fundamental right of every child under Article 31 of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child 1989.

According to the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)'s **new estimates** released on the 1st ever **International Day of Play**, nearly **400 million children** under 5 (6 in 10 children) regularly undergo **psychological** or **physical punishment** at home globally. About 330 million of these children face physical punishment.

- The data also show that around 1 in 5 children aged 2-4 years do not play with their caregivers at home, while roughly 1 in 8 under age 5 do not have toys or playthings at home. [Click here to read more](#)

**21. When was the World Day Against Child Labour 2024 observed across the globe?**

- 1) February 6
- 2) March 8
- 3) June 12
- 4) April 18
- 5) May 15

Answer- **3) June 12**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN) **World Day Against Child Labour** is annually observed across the globe on 12 June to increase awareness about the need to focus on the global extent of child labour and the efforts needed to eliminate it.

- The **2024 theme** of **World Day Against Child Labour** is, "**Let's act on our commitments: End Child Labour!**"



- The **World Day Against Child Labour** was launched in **2002** by the **ILO**, the only tripartite United Nations (UN) agency, devoted to promoting social justice and internationally recognised human and labour rights.
- The **first-ever** World Day Against Child Labour was observed on **12 June 2002**. [Click here to read more](#)

**22. Which year has been officially designated by the United Nations as the 'International Year of Quantum Science and Technology (IYQ)'?**

- 1) 2026
- 2) 2025
- 3) 2028
- 4) 2030
- 5) 2024

Answer- **2) 2025**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN) has officially declared **2025** to be the **International Year of Quantum Science and Technology (IYQ)** to increase public awareness globally about the significance of quantum science and its applications.

- This UN-declared IYQ unites national scientific societies to commemorate **100 years of modern quantum mechanics**.
- The IYQ is a global initiative that aims to strengthen national capacities in the basic sciences and science education.
- On 7 June 2024, the UN General Assembly (UNGA) adopted the resolution A/78/L.70 by consensus, proclaiming 2025 as the International Year of Quantum Science and Technology.

**23. International Albinism Awareness Day 2024 is annually observed across the globe on \_\_\_\_\_ to create awareness about Albinism.**

- 1) February 11
- 2) March 5
- 3) April 7
- 4) June 13
- 5) July 15

Answer- **4) June 13**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN)'s International Albinism Awareness Day (IAAD) is annually observed across the globe on 13th June to create awareness about albinism, an inherited genetic condition that people are born with, and celebrate and advance the human rights of persons with albinism globally.

13th June 2024 marks the observance of the 10th IAAD.

The **theme** of IAAD 2024 is "**10 Years of IAAD: A Decade of collective progress**"

The first-ever International Albinism Awareness Day was observed on 13 June 2015.

**24. World Blood Donor Day 2024 is annually celebrated across the globe on \_\_\_\_\_ to honour those who donate their blood, voluntarily and unpaid.**

- 1) June 14
- 2) April 17

- 3) May 8
- 4) March 14
- 5) June 15

Answer-1) **June 14**

**Explanation:**

**World Blood Donor Day** (WBDD) is annually observed across the globe on **14 June** to raise awareness of the need for safe blood and blood products and express gratitude to voluntary, unpaid blood donors.

- The annual observance of WBDD is led by the World Health Organisation (WHO).
- 14 June 2024 commemorates the 20th anniversary of WBDD. The 1st WBDD was observed on 14 June 2004.
- The 2024 theme/slogan of WBDD is, “**20 years of celebrating giving: thank you, blood donors!**”
- The host country of the WBDD 2024 is Perú. The events are organised together with the Ministry of Health of Peru.

**25. When was the United Nations (UN) World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) observed across the globe?**

- 1) June 15
- 2) April 11
- 3) February 12
- 4) March 18
- 5) May 25

Answer- 1) **June 15**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN) **World Elder Abuse Awareness Day** (WEAAD) 2024 was observed across the globe on **15 June** to raise awareness about the abuse, neglect, and exploitation faced by older persons, while promoting respect and dignity for older persons.

- The 2024 theme of WEAAD is, “**Spotlight on Older Persons in Emergencies.**”
- The 1st ever UN WEAAD was observed on **15 June 2012**. [Click here to read more](#)

**26. Global Wind Day is annually observed across the world on \_\_\_\_\_ to raise awareness regarding the importance of wind as a Renewable source of energy.**

- 1) April 16
- 2) June 15
- 3) March 15
- 4) February 11
- 5) May 18

Answer- 2) **June 15**

**Explanation:**

**Global Wind Day** also known as the **World Wind Day** is annually observed across the globe on **15 June** to highlight the significance of Wind Energy, an alternative clean and renewable energy system in promoting sustainability and environmental protection, and its power.

- Global Wind Day is a coordinated action annually organised by **WindEurope**, the Global Wind Energy Council (**GWEC**), and national renewable energy associations.

- Global Wind Day initially originated in Europe as European Wind Day organised by the EWEA in 2007.[Click here to read more](#)

**27. When was the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Dengue Day observed across the globe?**

- 1) April 25
- 2) February 29
- 3) May 27
- 4) June 15
- 5) March 16

Answer- **4) June 15**

**Explanation:**

The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) annually celebrates **ASEAN Dengue Day (ADD)** on **15 June** to raise awareness of Dengue, mobilise resources for its prevention and control at the regional and national level, and demonstrate the region's commitment to tackling the disease.

- ADD allows the ASEAN Member States (AMS) to foster measures preventing Dengue, in coordination with the World Health Organisation (WHO).
- The **first official** ADD was observed on 15 June **2011**.[Click here to read more](#)

**28. The UN's International Day of Family Remittances is annually observed across the globe on \_\_\_\_\_ to recognise the contribution of the migrant workers who send money to their family members in Low and Middle income countries.**

- 1) May 28
- 2) March 20
- 3) April 11
- 4) May 5
- 5) June 16

Answer- **5) June 16**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN)'s **International Day of Family Remittances (IDFR)** is annually observed across the globe on **16 June** to honour the dedication of millions of migrants who support their families and communities through remittances.

- The theme of the IDFR 2023–2024 #FamilyRemittances campaign is, “**Digital Remittances Towards Financial Inclusion and Cost Reduction.**”
- The IDFR 2023-2024 Campaign theme highlights the benefits of digitalisation in lowering costs and improving access to financial services.[Click here to read more](#)

**29. When was the UN's World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought (WDCDD) observed across the globe?**

- 1) March 14
- 2) June 17
- 3) April 22
- 4) May 3
- 5) March 18

Answer- **2) June 17**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN)'s **World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought** (WDCDD) is annually observed across the globe on **17 June** to raise awareness and combat international issues linked to Desertification, Land Degradation, and Drought (DLDD).

- 17th June 2024 marks the 30th anniversary of the UNCCD, which was established on 17th June 1994.
- The 2024 theme of WDCDD is, **"United for Land. Our Legacy. Our Future."**
- The global observance of the WDCDD 2024 was hosted by the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany, a signatory to the UNCCD.
- The 1st ever World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought was observed on 17 June 1995. [Click here to read more](#)

**30. World Crocodile Day is annually observed across the globe on \_\_\_\_\_ to create awareness about the conservation of endangered crocodiles and alligators around the world.**

- 1) March 21
- 2) April 24
- 3) June 17
- 4) June 17
- 5) May 2

Answer- **3) June 17**

**Explanation:**

**World Crocodile Day**, also known as World Croc Day, is annually observed across the globe on **June 17** to raise awareness and highlight the plight of endangered crocodiles and alligators around the world.

- World Croc Day 2024 is organised by the Crocodile Research Coalition, a Belize-based nonprofit organisation, in conjunction with the Belize Zoo.

**i.** There are 26 species of crocodilian that have been identified and classified in the reptile order – Crocodylia.

**ii.** India is home to three species of crocodiles

- Mugger or Marsh Crocodile (*Crocodylus palustris*)
- Estuarine or Saltwater Crocodile (*Crocodylus porosus*)
- Gharial (*Gavialis gangeticus*) [Click here to read more](#)

**31. When was the UN's International Day for Countering Hate Speech annually observed across the globe?**

- 1) May 6
- 2) April 14
- 3) May 28
- 4) March 14
- 5) June 18

Answer- **5) June 18**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN)'s **International Day for Countering Hate Speech** is annually observed across the globe on **18 June** to highlight and address global concerns over the rapid spread of hate speech worldwide.

The day aims to promote inter-religious and intercultural dialogue and tolerance in countering hate speech.

- **18 June 2024** marks the observance of the **3rd International Day for Countering Hate Speech**.
- The **theme** of International Day for Countering Hate Speech 2024 is **“The Power of Youth for Countering and Addressing Hate Speech”**.
- The **1st ever** International Day for Countering Hate Speech was observed on **18 June 2022**. [Click here to read more](#)

**32. The United Nations (UN) Sustainable Gastronomy Day is annually observed across the globe on \_\_\_\_\_ to raise public awareness about gastronomy (the art of food).**

- 1) March 15
- 2) February 10
- 3) April 29
- 4) June 18
- 5) May 16

Answer- **4) June 18**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN) **Sustainable Gastronomy Day** is annually observed across the globe on **18 June** to raise public awareness about **Gastronomy** (the art of food) and its contribution to sustainable development.

- The **annual observance** of the Day is **led** by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN (FAO).
- The **1st ever** Sustainable Gastronomy Day was observed on **18 June 2017**. [Click here to read more](#)

**33. Autistic Pride Day 2024 is observed across the globe on \_\_\_\_\_ with the theme ‘Taking the Mask Off’.**

- 1) May 26
- 2) June 18
- 3) February 12
- 4) April 15
- 5) June 8

Answer- **2) June 18**

**Explanation:**

**Autistic Pride Day** is annually observed across the globe on **18th June** to promote awareness about the understanding and acceptance of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), a neurological and developmental disorder that affects communication and social interaction.

- This year 2024 marks the **20th Anniversary** of the Autistic Pride Day.
- The theme of Autistic Pride Day 2024 is **‘Taking the Mask Off’**.

**34. When was International Picnic Day observed across the globe to celebrate the tradition of meals taken outdoors in a park, lakeside, or any spot with a beautiful view?**

- 1) March 4
- 2) June 18
- 3) April 11
- 4) May 5
- 5) March 16

Answer- **2) June 18**

**Explanation:**

**International Picnic Day** is annually observed across the globe on **June 18** to celebrate the tradition of meals taken outdoors in a park, lakeside, or any spot with a beautiful view.

- The observance also celebrates the beauty of nature, strengthens family bonds, promotes an active lifestyle and fosters a sense of togetherness.

**35. When was the United Nations (UN's) International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict observed across the globe?**

- 1) February 20
- 2) March 10
- 3) April 12
- 4) June 19
- 5) May 28

Answer- **4) June 19**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN)'s **International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict** is annually observed across the globe on **19 June** to raise awareness about the need to end Conflict-Related Sexual Violence (CRSV) and honour the victims and survivors of sexual violence globally.

- The day also aims to pay tribute to those who have devoted or lost their lives fighting these crimes.
- **19th June 2024** marks the observance of the **10th** International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict.
- The theme of International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict 2024 is **“Attacks against health care in conflict-affected areas: Impacts for survivors of conflict-related sexual violence”**.
- The **first-ever** International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict was observed on **19th June 2016**. [Click here to read more](#)

**36. World Sickle Cell Day (also known as World Sickle Cell Awareness Day ) is annually observed across the globe on \_\_\_\_\_ to raise awareness and recognize sickle cell anaemia.**

- 1) May 8
- 2) June 19
- 3) April 17
- 4) March 25
- 5) June 14

Answer- **2) June 19**

**Explanation:**

**World Sickle Cell Day** also known as **World Sickle Cell Awareness Day** is annually observed across the globe on **June 19** to raise awareness and recognize **sickle cell anaemia** as a public health problem and promote education about this genetic condition.

- The theme of **World Sickle Cell Day 2024** is '**Hope Through Progress: Advancing Sickle Cell Care Globally**', announced by the Global Alliance of Sickle Cell Disease Organizations (GASCO), highlights the importance of advanced technology in identifying Sickle Cell Disease (SCD).
- World Sickle Cell Day was first organised by the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) in the year **2008** and was first celebrated on 19th June 2009.
- SCD is an **inherited blood disorder** in which the red blood cells become rigid and sickle-shaped, leading to slower blood flow in the various parts of the body. It also affects the oxygen flow inside our body. [Click here to read more](#)

**37. The 19th June of every year is observed across India as \_\_\_\_\_ to mark the death anniversary of Puthuvayil Narayana Panicker, who is fondly known as the Father of the Library Movement in Kerala.**

- 1) National Reading Day
- 2) World Book And Copyright Day
- 3) International Day of Education
- 4) World Thinking Day
- 5) National Library Day

Answer- **1) National Reading Day**

**Explanation:**

**National Reading Day** is annually observed across India on **19 June** to mark the **death anniversary** of **Puthuvayil Narayana Panicker** (PN Panicker), a renowned teacher and educationist from Kerala, who is widely regarded as the **Father of the Library and Literacy Movement in Kerala**.

- **19 June 2024** marks the observance of the **29th** National Reading Day.

**Note:** In **2017**, Prime Minister (PM) **Narendra Modi** during the launch of the 22nd National Reading/Digital Reading Month, **declared 19 June**, (Kerala's Reading Day) as **National Reading Day in India**. [Click here to read more](#)

**38. When was the United Nations (UN's) World Refugee Day annually observed across the globe?**

- 1) March 16
- 2) June 20
- 3) April 16
- 4) May 18
- 5) April 30

Answer- **2) June 20**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN)'s **World Refugee Day** is annually observed across the globe on **20 June** to honour refugees worldwide and recognise the strength and courage of people forced to flee their home countries to escape conflict or persecution.

- The **theme** of World Refugee Day 2024 is "**For a World Where Refugees Are Welcomed**".

- World Health Organization (**WHO**) joins the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (**UNHCR**) (the UN Refugee Agency) and partners to observing the World Refugee Day 2024.
- The **1st ever** World Refugee Day was observed on **20 June 2001**. [Click here to read more](#)

**39. International Day of Yoga is annually observed across the globe on \_\_\_\_\_ to create awareness about the benefits of practicing yoga, an ancient physical, mental and spiritual practice.**

- 1) June 21
- 2) February 27
- 3) March 15
- 4) April 19
- 5) May 25

Answer- **1) June 21**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (**UN**)’s **International Day of Yoga (IDY)**2024 was observed across the globe on **21 June** to raise awareness about the benefits of practicing yoga, a 5,000-year-old ancient practice that originated from India.

- **21st June 2024** marks the observance of the **10th IDY**.
- The **2024 theme** of IDY is “**Yoga for Self and Society**.”
- **Indian Yoga** was **inscribed** on the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization’s (**UNESCO**) **Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity** in **2016**.
- The **1st ever** IDY was observed on **21 June 2015**. [Click here to read more](#)

**40. When was World Hydrographic Day (WHD) annually observed across the globe to raise awareness about hydrography and its role in improving the knowledge of the seas and oceans?**

- 1) May 16
- 2) April 5
- 3) March 13
- 4) February 17
- 5) June 21

Answer- **5) June 21**

**Explanation:**

**World Hydrographic Day (WHD)**2024 was observed across the globe on **21 June** to raise awareness about hydrography and its role in improving the knowledge of the seas and oceans.

- The **theme** of WHD 2024 is “**Hydrographic Information – Enhancing Safety, Efficiency and Sustainability in Marine Activities**”.
- The annual observance of **WHD** is led by the International Hydrographic Organization (**IHO**).
- The **1st ever** WHD was observed on **21st June 2006**. [Click here to read more](#)



**41. When was the United Nations (UN)'s International Day of Celebration of the Solstice observed across the globe?**

- 1) May 14
- 2) April 26
- 3) June 21
- 4) January 26
- 5) March 23

Answer- **3) June 21**

**Explanation:**

The **United Nations (UN)'s International Day of Celebration of the Solstice** 2024 was observed across the globe on **June 21** to highlight the importance and significance of solstice in various religions and ethnic cultures across the globe.

- Solstice is that the point at which the Sun is at its greatest distance from the world and equinox is when space is that the lowest.
- Every year, **June 21** is marked as the day of the **summer solstice** in the northern hemisphere of the world. This day marks the 1st day of summer and the **longest day** and **shortest night** of the year.
- **Winter Solstice** which usually falls around **December 21** marks the 1st day of winter and shortest day and longest night of the year.

**42. World Music Day is annually celebrated across the world \_\_\_\_\_ to encourage and honour musicians and singers for the gift of music.**

- 1) March 28
- 2) March 27
- 3) May 18
- 4) April 15
- 5) June 21

Answer- **5) June 21**

**Explanation:**

**World Music Day** 2024 was observed across the globe on **June 21** to recognise the power of Music. This day is also known as '**Fete de la Musique**', which means '**Festival of Music**' in French.

- The year 2024 marks the **42nd anniversary** of the celebration of Fete de la Musique.
- The day has become a symbol of unity and inclusivity, bringing people together through the universal language of music.
- The idea of World Music Day originated in France in 1981 by **Jack Lang**, the French Ministry of Culture, along with music composer **Maurice Fleuret**, and a radio producer and music journalist. The 1st Fête de la Musique celebrated in Paris in **1982**.

**43. United Nations Public Service Day is annually observed across the globe on \_\_\_\_\_ to acknowledge the contribution of public service to improve the development process for all people.**

- 1) May 20
- 2) April 21
- 3) March 14
- 4) February 12

5) June 23

Answer- **5) June 23**

**Explanation:**

The **United Nations (UN) Public Service Day** 2024 was observed across the globe on **23 June** to celebrate the value and virtue of public service to the community and emphasise the contribution of public service in the development process.

- The **2024 UN Public Service Forum and Awards Ceremony** takes place from **24 to 26 June 2024** in **Incheon, Republic of Korea**, under the **theme 'Fostering Innovation amid Global Challenges: a Public Sector Perspective'**.
- The UN Public Service Awards (UNPSA) program **established** by the UN in **2003**, is the most prestigious international recognition that aims to promote and support innovation and excellence in public service delivery worldwide.

**44. When was the International Olympic Day annually observed across the globe?**

1) April 6

2) May 7

3) June 23

4) February 18

5) March 15

Answer- **3) June 23**

**Explanation:**

**International Olympic Day** 2024 was observed across the globe on **23 June** to promote participation and peace in sports across the globe regardless of age, gender, or athletic ability.

- This Day commemorates the founding of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) at the Sorbonne, Paris, on **23 June 1894**, where **Baron Pierre de Coubertin**, the French Historian revived the Olympic Games of ancient Greece.
- The **2024 theme** of International Olympic Day is, "**Let's Move and Celebrate.**"
- The **1st Olympic Day** was celebrated on **23 June 1948** by 9 countries. [Click here to read more](#)

**45. International Widows Day is annually observed across the globe on \_\_\_\_\_ to draw attention to the voices and experiences of widows.**

1) February 24

2) June 23

3) March 18

4) April 21

5) May 25

Answer- **2) June 23**

**Explanation:**

The **United Nations (UN)'s International Widows Day** 2024 was observed across the globe on **23rd June** to raise awareness about the plight of widows worldwide and advocate for their rights and well-being.

- The theme of International Widows Day 2024 is '**Accelerating the achievements of Gender Equality**'.

- The day stands as a reminder of the ongoing work needed to address the issues faced by widows and create a more inclusive and equitable world for them.
- According to the UN, it is estimated that around **258 million widows** across the globe and one in 10 lives in extreme poverty.[Click here to read more](#)

**46. When was the United Nations (UN) International Day of Women in Diplomacy (IDWID) annually observed across the globe?**

- 1) March 4
- 2) April 17
- 3) May 12
- 4) June 24
- 5) February 18

Answer- **4) June 24**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN) **International Day of Women in Diplomacy (IDWID)** is annually observed across the globe on **24 June** to acknowledge the crucial role of women diplomats in promoting socio-economic equitable and inclusive sustainable development.

- The commemorative events of the 2024 IDWID focussed on the theme, “**Women’s Leadership in Multilateral Diplomacy.**”

i. According to the **UN Women’s Global Data on [Women Political Leaders 2024](#)**, women are significantly underrepresented in global executive positions, including Heads of State, Heads of Government, and Cabinet members.

- **India**(6.5%) ranked **171st** in terms of representation of women in Parliament. **Finland**(63.2%) topped in the list, followed by Nicaragua(62.5%) and Liechtenstein(60%).

ii. During the Commemorative Event of IDWID 2024, UNGA President **Dennis Francis** honoured **Hansa Jivraj Mehta**, an **Indian** feminist leader, activist, and diplomat, who played a pivotal role in making the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (**UDHR**) more inclusive.[Click here to read more](#)

**47. The UN’s Day of the Seafarer (aka International Day of the Seafarer) is annually observed across the globe on \_\_\_\_\_ to recognise the contribution that seafarers make to our everyday lives.**

- 1) June 25
- 2) April 24
- 3) March 22
- 4) May 15
- 5) March 25

Answer- **1) June 25**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN)’s **Day of the Seafarer (DotS)** (also known as the **International Day of the Seafarer**) is annually observed across the globe on **25 June** to acknowledge the crucial role Seafarers play in international maritime trade and the global economy.

- **25th June 2024** marks the observance of the **14th edition** of the Day of the Seafarer.
- The annual observance of the DotS is led by the **International Maritime Organization (IMO)**.
- The **1st ever DotS** was observed on **25th June 2011**.

**48. When was World Vitiligo Day annually observed across the globe to raise awareness about vitiligo, a skin condition that affects 1-2 percent of people globally?**

- 1) May 7
- 2) February 16
- 3) April 7
- 4) March 20
- 5) June 25

Answer- **5) June 25**

**Explanation:**

**World Vitiligo Day (WVD)** is annually observed across the globe on **June 25** to raise awareness about **vitiligo**, a skin condition that affects 1-2 percent of people globally. This day serves as a platform to combat stigma, promote acceptance, and advocate for those affected by vitiligo.

- The theme for WVD 2024 is **'United by the skin'**, which emphasises the importance of recognising and appreciating the unique beauty of individuals with vitiligo and encourages viewing vitiligo as a part of human diversity.
- This year campaign headquarters hosted by the vibrant city of **Cali, Colombia**, under the presidency of Dr. Claudia Arenas and General Secretary Dr. Adriana Cruz.
- WVD is also known as **Vitiligo Awareness Day** or **Vitiligo Purple Fun Day** because **'purple'** is the official colour representing the conditio

**49. When was the International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, or World Drug Day, annually observed across the globe?**

- 1) February 29
- 2) March 31
- 3) June 26
- 4) May 1
- 5) April 19

Answer- **3) June 26**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN) **International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking** (also known as **World/International Drug Day**) is annually observed across the globe on **26 June** to raise awareness of the significant societal issues caused by illicit drugs and strengthen action and cooperation for an international society free of drug abuse.

- The UN Office on Drugs and Crime (**UNODC**) selects **themes** for World Drug Day and launches campaigns to raise awareness about the global drug problem.
- The **2024 campaign theme** of International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking is, **"The evidence is clear: invest in prevention."**
- UNODC annually issues the World Drug Report (WDR) on World Drug Day (26 June). According to the report **"World Drug Report 2024: Harms of world drug problem continue to mount amid expansions in drug use and markets"**, Overall, almost **292 million people** or 1 in 18 of the world's population used a drug in 2022, a 20 per cent more than a decade earlier.
- **Cannabis** remains the most widely used drug worldwide (228 million users), followed by opioids (60 million users), amphetamines (30 million users), cocaine (23 million users), and ecstasy (20 million users). [Click here to read more](#)

**50. The United Nations (UN)'s 'International Day in Support of Victims of Torture' is annually observed across the globe on \_\_\_\_\_ to speak out against the crime of torture and to honor and support victims.**

- 1) June 26
- 2) March 25
- 3) April 18
- 4) May 4
- 5) March 25

**Answer- 1) June 26**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN)'s **International Day in Support of Victims of Torture** is annually observed across the globe on **26 June** to oppose the crime of torture and honour and support torture victims and survivors worldwide.

- This Day also aims to eradicate torture and support the UN Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, one of the key instruments in fighting torture.
- **26 June 2024** marks the observance of the **27th** International Day in Support of Victims of Torture.
- The **1st ever** International Day in Support of Victims of Torture was observed on **26th June 1998**. [Click here to read more](#)

**51. The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) commemorated the 12th Passport Seva Divas across India on \_\_\_\_\_ to mark the enactment of the Passports Act, 1967.**

- 1) May 5
- 2) March 18
- 3) April 13
- 4) March 21
- 5) June 24

**Answer- 5) June 24**

**Explanation:**

**Passport Seva Divas** is annually observed across India on **24 June** to **mark the enactment** of the **Passports Act** on 24 June **1967**. It also aims to ensure that passports serve as crucial travel documents that significantly impact a country's development.

- **24 June 2024** marks the observance of the **12th** Passport Seva Divas.
- The **first-ever** Passport Seva Divas was observed on **24th June 2013**.
- The annual observance of the day is led by the Ministry of External Affairs (**MEA**) and the Central Passport Organisation (**CPO**).
- The **MEA** launched the Passport Seva Project (**PSP**) in May **2010**, to increase and improve the delivery of passport services to Indian citizens.

**52. When was World Refrigeration Day annually celebrated across the world to recognise the importance of the refrigeration sector in improving the quality of life?**

- 1) April 6
- 2) March 15
- 3) June 26

4) March 4

5) May 28

Answer- **3) June 26**

**Explanation:**

**World Refrigeration Day (WRD)** is annually observed across the globe on **June 26** to raise awareness about the critical role that Refrigeration Air-conditioning and Heat-Pump (**RACHP**) technologies play in modern life.

- It also highlights the important role that the industries and their technologies play in contemporary society and daily life.
- The theme of World Refrigeration Day 2024 is **'Temperature Matters'**.
- June 26 commemorates the birth anniversary of the British mathematician and a thermodynamics pioneer, **William Thomson**, better known as **Lord Kelvin**.

**53. When was the United Nations (UN) World Micro-, Small, and Medium-sized Enterprises (MSME) Day annually observed across the globe?**

1) May 29

2) June 27

3) February 25

4) March 4

5) April 18

Answer- **2) June 27**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (UN) **World Micro-, Small, and Medium-sized Enterprises (MSME) Day** is annually observed across the globe on **27 June** to raise awareness about MSMEs' contributions to achieving the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

- The theme of MSME Day 2024 is "Leveraging Power and Resilience of Micro-, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (MSMEs) to Accelerate Sustainable Development and Eradicate Poverty in Times of Multiple Crises".
- The **1st ever** World MSMEs Day was observed on **27 June 2017**. [Click here to read more](#)

**54. When was the National Insurance Awareness Day annually observed in India to raise awareness about the importance of taking insurance?**

1) May 5

2) June 28

3) April 14

4) March 15

5) May 24

Answer- **2) June 28**

**Explanation:**

**National Insurance Awareness Day** is annually observed on **28 June** to raise awareness about the importance of insurance, a financial product, in protecting individuals, families, and businesses from financial risks.

- The day aims to educate people about different types of insurance policies and their benefits.

- The day also encourages everyone to review their current insurance policies and assess if they need any changes or additional coverage.
- According to the IRDAI, in the financial year **2023**, **India's insurance premium penetration** accounted for **4%** of the Gross Domestic Product (**GDP**), lower than the global average of 6.8%. [Click here to read more](#)

**55. When was the National Statistics Day (Statistics Day) annually observed across India to acknowledge and appreciate the contributions of statisticians in India?**

- 1) March 14
- 2) June 29
- 3) February 28
- 4) May 19
- 5) June 5

Answer- **2) June 29**

**Explanation:**

**National Statistics Day (Statistics Day)** is annually observed across India on **29 June** to acknowledge and appreciate the contributions of statisticians in India and popularise statistics as a field of study and its significance in socio-economic planning, policy-making, and daily life.

- This Day is also celebrated to mark the **birth anniversary** of an eminent statistician (Late) **Professor Prasanta Chandra (PC) Mahalanobis**, also known as the '**Father of Modern Statistics in India.**'
- The main event of National Statistics Day 2024 was organised at Manekshaw Centre, Delhi Cantt, and New Delhi, Delhi.
- **29 June 2024** marks the observance of the **18th** National Statistics Day.
- The **2024 theme** of National Statistics Day is, "**Use of Data for Decision Making.**" [Click here to read more](#)

**56. The United Nations (UN) International Day of the Tropics is annually observed across the globe on \_\_\_\_\_ to raise awareness about specific challenges faced by tropical regions.**

- 1) May 5
- 2) June 20
- 3) March 14
- 4) April 8
- 5) June 29

Answer- **5) June 29**

**Explanation:**

The United Nations (**UN**) **International Day of the Tropics** is annually observed across the globe on **29 June** to raise awareness about specific challenges faced by tropical areas, highlight the global implications of issues affecting the tropical zone, and emphasise the role of tropical countries in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

- This Day aims to celebrate the diversity and potential of tropical regions and provides a platform to share tropical stories and expertise and acknowledge plant diversity and evolution.
- The **1st ever** International Day of the Tropics was observed on **29 June 2017**.

- The tropical, or Torrid Zone, lies near the Equator and is more exposed to the Sun and is typically warm with minimal seasonal temperature changes, averaging 25-28°C (Celsius) (77-82°F (Fahrenheit)).
- The **Tropics** account for **40%** of the **world's total surface** area and are home to approximately **80%** of the **world's biodiversity**. [Click here to read more](#)

**57. World Allergy Week 2024 was observed across the globe from \_\_\_\_\_.**

- 1) 23rd to 29th June 2024
- 2) 1st to 6th July 2024
- 3) 16th to 22nd June 2024
- 4) 7th to 13th July 2024
- 5) 14th to 20th July 2024

**Answer- 1) 23rd to 29th June 2024**

**Explanation:**

**World Allergy Week** is an annual initiative of **World Allergy Organisation (WAO)** to create awareness about allergic diseases in our communities. World Allergy Week 2024 observed across the globe from **23rd to 29th June 2024**.

- It focuses on campaigning for training and resources on allergy diagnosis, management, and prevention.
- The theme of **World Allergy Week 2024** is '**Childhood Food Allergy**', which focuses on the weaning journey for parents of babies with food allergies.
- The World Allergy Week 2024 focusses on **food allergy and removing obstacles to optimal care, safety, and quality of life**.
- World Allergy Week 2023 was observed from 18th to 24th June 2023.

## **ENVIRONMENT**

**1. Name the new ant species that has been recently (in June '24) discovered in Arunachal Pradesh's Siang Valley.**

- 1) Batillipes Chandrayaani
- 2) Ablennes gracali
- 3) Parapatrechina neela
- 4) Peucetia chhaparajirvin
- 5) Pantoea Tagorei

**Answer- 3) Parapatrechina neela**

**Explanation:**

Researchers have discovered a **new ant species** named *Parapatrechina neela* in **Arunachal Pradesh's** remote **Siang Valley**. The name *neela*, which signifies the colour blue in most Indian languages, was derived from its **unique blue colouration**. It is easily distinguishable from all known species of Parapatrechina by its metallic-blue body.

- This discovery marks the **1st new species** of *Parapatrechina* in **121 years**.
- The findings of the new species were published in the peer-reviewed journal [ZooKeys](#).
- *Parapatrechina* is a **genus of small ants**, measuring 1–2 millimeters (mm) long, in the subfamily *Formicinae*.



- *P. neela* has an opaque, metallic blue body with exceptions in antennae, mandibles, and legs.

**2. Name the new snake eel species that has been recently (in June '24) discovered by Researchers from the Zoological Survey of India off the Odisha coast.**

- 1) Peucetia chhaparajirvin
- 2) Ablennes joseberchmansis
- 3) Pantoea Tagorei
- 4) Brucethoa Isro
- 5) Ophichthus Suryai

Answer- **5) Ophichthus Suryai**

**Explanation:**

Researchers from the Zoological Survey of India's (ZSI) regional center in Gopalpur, Odisha, have identified a **new species of snake eel** *Ophichthus* (Anguilliformes: Ophichthidae) off the **Odisha coast**.

- The new species is named '**Ophichthus Suryai**' to honour **Surya Kumar Mohanty**, former joint director of Fisheries & Animal Resources Development Department of Odisha government.
- The findings were published in the **Bulletin of Marine Science**, by Rosenstiel School of Marine, Atmospheric and Earth Science, University of Miami.

**3. Name the new genus of freshwater diatom, microscopic algae crucial to life, that was recently (in June '24) discovered in India.**

- 1) Indopria
- 2) Brucethoa
- 3) Sphaerotheca
- 4) Trichoglossum
- 5) Indiconema

Answer- **5) Indiconema**

**Explanation:**

Researchers from the Agharkar Research Institute (ARI) in Pune, Maharashtra have discovered '**Indiconema**', a **new genus** within the **Gomphonemataceae** (diatom) **family** in India.

- The researchers discover a new astigmatomorph diatom from the **Eastern Ghats** and a closely allied species from the **Western Ghats** which were members of the Gomphonemataceae in terms of symmetry and certain valve features.
- Diatoms are the **first recorded microorganisms** in India. It produces 25% of global oxygen, approximately every fourth breath of oxygen we inhale.

A team of herpetologists recorded the '**Striped caecilian**' (***Ichthyophis* spp**), a **limbless amphibian** in the **Kaziranga National Park and Tiger Reserve**, Assam, for the **first time** during a herpetofauna survey conducted from 14th to 17th June 2024.

**4. Petrocosmea arunachalense is a new \_\_\_\_\_ species that was recently (in June '24) discovered in Arunachal Pradesh.**

- 1) Frog
- 2) Plant
- 3) eel

4) Butterfly

5) fungus

Answer- 2) Plant

**Explanation:**

A team of researchers from the **Arunachal Pradesh Regional Centre (APRC)** of the Botanical Survey of India (**BSI**) has discovered a new plant species '**Petrocosmea arunachalense**' from the Mandala region of West Kameng district in Arunachal Pradesh (AR).

- The research details have been published in the **Nordic Journal of Botany**.
- **Petrocosmea arunachalense** is an **herbaceous plant species which belongs to the family Gesneriaceae**.

**5. Name the new aerial stem-parasitic flowering plant species that was recently (in June '24) discovered in Andaman and Nicobar Islands.**

1) Begonia Narahari

2) Emblica Chakrabartyi

3) Indopria Angulata

4) Dendrophthoe longensis

5) Oedocladium sahyadricum

Answer- 4) **Dendrophthoe longensis**

**Explanation:**

i. Indian botanists identified **2 new plant species** from the **Andaman and Nicobar Islands** and **Arunachal Pradesh (AR)**. The 2 new species are **Dendrophthoe longensis** and **Petrocosmea arunachalense**. The discoveries underscore the rich biodiversity of India.

- A research team led by scientist **Lal Ji Singh** discovered a new plant species '**Dendrophthoe longensis**' in the Long Islands of the middle Andaman, Andaman, and Nicobar islands (bio-geographic hotspot of India).
- **Dendrophthoe longensis** is an **aerial stem-parasitic flowering plant** species belonging to the mistletoe family **Loranthaceae**.

ii. A team of researchers from the **Arunachal Pradesh Regional Centre (APRC)** of the Botanical Survey of India (**BSI**) has discovered a new plant species '**Petrocosmea arunachalense**' from the cave from Mandala region of West Kameng district in Arunachal Pradesh (AR) (bio-geographic hotspot of India). The research details have been published in the **Nordic Journal** of Botany.

- **Petrocosmea arunachalense** is an herbaceous plant species which belongs to the family **Gesneriaceae**.
- Note: India has 4 biodiversity hotspots : Himalayas, Indo-Burma region, Western Ghats and Sundaland.

## **APP and WEB PORTAL**

**1. Name the mobile application that was launched on the occasion of World Environment Day 2024 (5th June) for monitoring the real-time Air Quality Index (AQI).**

1) K-SMART

2) MPLADS e-SAKSHI

3) Saksham

4) SARATHI

5) Air-Pravah

Answer- **5) Air-Pravah**

**Explanation:**

On the occasion of **World Environment Day 2024** (5th June 2024), S Krishnan, Secretary of the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), inaugurated the **Indigenous Air Quality Monitoring System (AQ-AIMS)** during the event held in New Delhi, Delhi.

- He also launched the mobile application "**Air-Pravah**" for real-time Air Quality Index (AQI) monitoring.
- The AQ-AIMS and Air-Pravah were developed under MeitY-supported technologies.
- The government of India (GoI) has designated Bihar's **Nagi Bird Sanctuary** and **Nakti Bird Sanctuary** as wetlands of International Importance under the **Ramsar convention**, taking the total number of **RAMSAR sites** in India to **82**. [click here to read more](#)

**2. Which ministry has recently (in June'24) launched the Environmental flows (E-flows) Monitoring System to monitor the cleaning progress of river Ganga?**

1) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

2) Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare

3) Ministry of Jal Shakti

4) Ministry of Panchayati Raj

5) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs

Answer- **3) Ministry of Jal Shakti (MoJS)**

**Explanation:**

Union Minister, C.R. Patil, Ministry of Jal Shakti (**MoJS**) launched the **Environmental flows (E-flows) Monitoring System** to monitor the cleaning progress of river Ganga. It was launched during a programme when the Union Minister was reviewing the progress of the cleaning projects under the Namami Ganga Mission in New Delhi, Delhi.

- It is developed by the National Mission for Clean Ganga (**NMCG**) works under the Department of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, Ministry of Jal Shakti, as part of the Aviral Ganga component.
- This marks a major milestone towards ensuring the continuous and sustainable flow of the Ganga River.
- It is an important part of the Platform for Real-time Analysis of Yamuna, Ganga and their tributaries (PRAYAG) portal which is a real-time monitoring centre for the planning and monitoring of projects, quality of river water, among others.

**3. In June 2024, the website and the mobile application for the 3rd edition of World Food India (WFI 2024) were launched during the curtain-raising event held in New Delhi, Delhi.**

**The WFI 2024 is an industry-driven inclusive event hosted by \_\_\_\_\_.**

1) Ministry of Commerce and Industry

2) Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare

3) Ministry of Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises

4) Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution

5) Ministry of Food Processing Industries

### Answer- 5) Ministry of Food Processing Industries

#### Explanation:

On 19th June 2024, Union Minister Chirag Paswan, Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) and Minister of State (MoS) Ravneet Singh, MoFPI, jointly launched the [website](#) and [mobile application](#) for the **3rd edition of World Food India (WFI 2024)** during the curtain raiser ceremony of WFI 2024 held in New Delhi, Delhi.

- WFI 2024, India's largest food event, is scheduled to be held at the Bharat Mandapam, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi, Delhi from **19th to 22nd September 2024**.
- WFI aims to foster collaboration and partnerships among global and Indian food sector.
- WFI 2024 is an industry-driven inclusive event **hosted** by the **MoFPI**.

**4. In June 2024, Union Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan launched a new web portal to automate and accelerate the process of settlement of interest subvention claims of banks made under the \_\_\_\_\_.**

- 1) International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)
- 2) Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN)
- 3) Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)
- 4) Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF)
- 5) Modified Interest Subvention Scheme (MISS)

### Answer- 4) Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF)

#### Explanation:

Union Minister **Shivraj Singh Chouhan**, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare (**MoA&FW**) has launched a new **web portal** to automate and accelerate the process of settlement of interest subvention claims of banks made under the **Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF)**.

- The portal was jointly developed by the **Department of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare (DA&FW)** and **National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)**.
- This portal will ensure **timely settlement of claims** within a day and ensure **transparency** and check corrupt methods
- The Union Minister also launched '**Krishi Katha**', a blog site which will serve as a digital platform to displays the voice of the Indian farmers and amplify the experiences, insights and success stories of farmers across India.

## CURRENT STATIC BANKING

**1. Which of the following companies has recently (in May '24) imposed penalties by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) for not appointing independent directors on their Board?**

- A) Oil and Natural Gas Corporation
- B) Gas Authority of India Limited
- C) Indian Oil Corporation

- 1) Only A & B
- 2) Only B & C
- 3) Only A & C

4) Only B

5) All A, B & C

Answer- **5) All A, B & C**

**Explanation:**

In May 2024, The Securities and Exchange Board of India (**SEBI**) imposed penalties on the Indian Oil Corporation (**IOC**), Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (**ONGC**) & Gas Authority of India Limited (**GAIL**) for failure to appoint Independent Directors in the same proportion as executive or functional directors, and to appoint at least one woman director on the board for the fourth quarter of financial year 2023-2024.

- i. The reasons commonly explained are that the boards depend on their parent ministry for appointments. So far requisitions made by the boards were unattended by the concerned ministries.
- ii. Similarly BSE Ltd & NSE India (National Stock Exchange of India Ltd) imposed a fine of **Rs 34 lakh** on Indian Oil Corporation (IOC), Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd (HPCL) and Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL), explorers Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) and Oil India Ltd (OIL), gas utility GAIL, and refiner Mangalore Refinery and Petrochemicals Ltd (MRPL) for same the same.

**2. According to the Asian Development Bank (ADB) official report, ADB has extended financial assistance to India about \_\_\_\_\_ (USD) in sovereign lending for the year 2023.**

1) 2.8 billion

2) 2.6 billion

3) 4.9 billion

4) 4.1 billion

5) 3.6 billion

Answer- **2) 2.6 billion**

**Explanation:**

In May 2024, According to the **Asian Development Bank (ADB)** official report, ADB has extended financial assistance to India about **2.6 billion USD** in sovereign lending for the year 2023 for urban development, industrial corridor development, power sector reforms, climate resilience, horticulture, and to enhance connectivity.

- i. Also, It extended USD 23.53 million in technical assistance, USD 4.1 million in grants under the sovereign portfolio & over USD 1 billion for private sector projects.

**3. Who is the current (As of June '24) Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (MD & CEO) of the Capital Small Finance Bank Limited?**

1) Rashesh Shah

2) Milind Barve

3) Jethabhai Ahir

4) Sarvjit Singh Samra

5) Anas Rahman Junaid

Answer- **4) Sarvjit Singh Samra**

**Explanation:**

**About Capital Small Finance Bank Limited**

**Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (MD & CEO) – Sarvjit Singh Samra**

**Headquarters – Jalandhar, Punjab**

**Established – April 24, 2016**

**4. When was NSE Indices Limited established?**

- 1) 1987
- 2) 1997
- 3) 1992
- 4) 1998
- 5) 1991

Answer- **4) 1998**

**Explanation:**

**About NSE Indices Limited:**

NSE Indices Limited was formerly known as India Index Services & Products Limited (IISL).

**Chairman-** Milind Barve

**Managing Director (MD)-** Mukesh Agarwal

**Established-** 1998

**5. Which of the following is INCORRECT with respect to categories in MUDRA Banks?**

- a) Shishu offers loans up to INR 50,000
- b) Tarun offers loans ranging from INR 50,000 to INR 5 lakhs
- c) Kishor offers loans up to INR 10 lakhs

- 1) Only A & B
- 2) Only B & C
- 3) Only A & C
- 4) Only A
- 5) All A, B & C

Answer- **2) Only B & C**

**Explanation:**

Category	Size
Shishu	offers loans up to INR 50,000
Kishor	offers loans ranging from INR 50,000 to INR 5 lakhs
Tarun	offers loans up to INR 10 lakhs

**6. Who is the current (As of June '24) Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (MD & CEO) of ICICI Lombard General Insurance Company Limited?**

- 1) Sundararaman Ramamurthy
- 2) Pradeep Kumar Sinha
- 3) Sandeep Bakhshi
- 4) Shamsheer Singh
- 5) Sanjeev Mantri

Answer- **5) Sanjeev Mantri**

**Explanation:**

**About ICICI Lombard General Insurance Company Limited**

It is one of the largest private sector General Insurance Company in India.

**Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (MD & CEO) – Sanjeev Mantri**

**Headquarters** – Mumbai, Maharashtra

**Established** – 2001

**7. In June 2024, Canara Bank approved to sell a \_\_\_\_\_ percent stake in Canara HSBC Life Insurance Company through an initial public offering (IPO).**

- 1) 14.50 %
- 2) 10.89 %
- 3) 12.34 %
- 4) 13.34 %
- 5) 14.11 %

Answer- **1) 14.50 %**

**Explanation:**

In June 2024, Bengaluru-headquartered **Canara Bank** has approved to sell **14.50 %** stake in **Canara HSBC Life Insurance Company** via an initial public offering (IPO).

i. Also, it is subject to the approval of the Reserve Bank of India and the Department of Financial Services, Government of India.

**8. Which of the following categories were not included in the 16 broad categories mentioned by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) for obtaining Social enterprises status?**

- 1) Slum area development
- 2) Disaster management
- 3) Training to promote rural sports
- 4) Promoting education
- 5) Protecting the health, safety and well-being of Sex workers

Answer- **5) Protecting the health, safety and well-being of Sex workers**

**Explanation:**

The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has instructed the social enterprises who have registered or raised funds through the Social Stock Exchange (SSE) to submit an 'Annual Impact Report' for the fiscal year 2023-24 to the exchange by the end of October 2024.

**Note:**

**i. A social stock exchange** is a platform which is different from the existing stock exchanges that helps the non-profit organisations and for-profit social enterprises to raise funds from the capital market.

**ii. Social enterprises** involve those NPOs and for-profit social enterprises that aim to achieve social objectives. They are required to be involved in social activities within **16** broad categories as mentioned by SEBI. Some of the 16 categories include **i)** Promoting the welfare of migrants and displaced persons **ii)** Slum area development **iii)** Disaster management **iv)** Training to promote rural sports & **v)** Promoting education. [Click here to read more](#)

**9. Who is the current (As of June '24) Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (MD & CEO) of SBM Bank (India)?**

- 1) Dinesh Kumar Khara
- 2) Gurpreet Chhatwal
- 3) Ashish Vijayakar
- 4) Nidhu Saxena

5) Sarvjit Singh Samra

Answer- **3) Ashish Vijayakar**

**Explanation:**

**About SBM Bank (India):**

It is the first bank to receive universal banking license from RBI to set up and operate as Scheduled Commercial Bank under Wholly Owned Subsidiary (WOS) mode offering banking services in India.

**Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (MD & CEO) – Ashish Vijayakar**

**Headquarters – Mumbai, Maharashtra**

**10. India's gross GST revenue of \_\_\_\_\_ was collected in May 2024 with a record of 10% year-on-year (y-o-y) growth.**

- 1) Rs.2.39 lakh crore
- 2) Rs.1.11 lakh crore
- 3) Rs.2.25 lakh crore
- 4) Rs.1.73 lakh crore
- 5) Rs.2.51 lakh crore

Answer- **4) Rs.1.73 lakh crore**

**Explanation:**

India's Gross GST revenue collected in May 2024 was **Rs.1.73 lakh crore**, which records **10% y-o-y** growth. It was strongly driven by an increase in domestic transactions (up 15.3%) and a slowing of imports (down 4.3%).

**i.** After accounting for refunds, the net GST revenue collection for May 2024 was Rs.1.44 lakh crore, showing a growth of 6.9%.

**ii.** Till May 2024, Gross GST revenue collected was Rs.3.83 lakh crore and records 11.3% y-o-y growth.

**iii.** Also, Domestic Gross GST Revenue showed a growth of 15.3% in May 2024.

**11. Which Company/Bank has recently (in June '24) become the 7th Indian company to surpass Rs 8 lakh crore market capitalization?**

- 1) Infosys Limited
- 2) Bharti Airtel
- 3) Tata Consultancy Services
- 4) ICICI Bank
- 5) State Bank of India

Answer- **5) State Bank of India**

**Explanation:**

In June 2024, the **State Bank of India (SBI)** became the **seventh** Indian listed company to have surpassed **Rs 8 lakh crore** market capitalization.

**i.** SBI hit a 52-week high of **Rs 911** on the National Stock Exchange of India Limited (NSE) and gained 10% in the intraday trade.

**ii.** The share prices have soared over 40 percent in 2024.



**12. Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) are a type of financial institution in India that were created with the aim of providing banking services to rural areas and promoting rural development. The first RRB in India is \_\_\_\_\_ sponsored by \_\_\_\_\_.**

- 1) Madhya Pradesh Gramin Bank; State Bank of India
- 2) Prathama Gramin Bank; Syndicate Bank
- 3) Kashi Gombi Samyut Gramin Bank; Union Bank of India
- 4) Kerala Gramin Bank; Canara Bank
- 5) Karnataka Vikas Grameena Bank; Syndicate Bank

**Answer- 2) Prathama Gramin Bank; Syndicate Bank**

**Explanation:**

The first Regional Rural Bank (RRB) in India was the Prathama Bank, which was established on October 2, 1975, in the Moradabad district of Uttar Pradesh. The Prathama Bank was sponsored by the Syndicate Bank

**13. When was ICICI Bank founded?**

- 1) 1996
- 2) 1994
- 3) 1990
- 4) 1995
- 5) 1993

**Answer- 2) 1994**

**Explanation:**

**About ICICI Bank Ltd.:**

**MD & CEO-** Sandeep Bakhshi

**Headquarters-** Mumbai, Maharashtra

**Founded in 1994**

**Tagline-** Hum Hai Na, Khayal Apka

**14. Who is the current (As of June '24) Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)?**

- 1) Sarvjit Singh Samra
- 2) Milind Barve
- 3) Ajay Singh
- 4) Madhabi Puri Buch
- 5) Ashish Vijayakar

**Answer- 4) Madhabi Puri Buch**

**Explanation:**

**About Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI):**

**Chairman-** Madhabi Puri Buch

**Headquarter-** Mumbai, Maharashtra

**Established-** 1992

**15. As per the National Payments Corporation of India, The Unified Payments Interface (UPI) network hit a record of \_\_\_\_\_ transactions in May 2024.**

- 1) 16.78 billion
- 2) 15.56 billion
- 3) 13.9 billion
- 4) 14.04 billion
- 5) 15.01 billion

Answer- **4) 14.04 billion**

**Explanation:**

As per the National Payments Corporation of India, the Unified Payments Interface (UPI) network hit a record of **14.04 billion transactions** in May 2024, surpassing the 13.3 billion transactions recorded in April.

**i.** UPI transactions in May 2024 were Rs. 20.45 lakh crore, whereas in April 2024 they were Rs. 19.64 lakh crore.

**16. Which bank has recently (in June '24) launched 666 Days Fixed Deposit scheme for deposits below 2 crores?**

- 1) Canara Bank
- 2) Punjab National Bank
- 3) State Bank of India
- 4) Bank of Maharashtra
- 5) Bank of India

Answer- **5) Bank of India**

**Explanation:**

**Bank of India (BOI)** launched 666 Days Fixed Deposit scheme with effect from **1st June 2024** for deposits below 2 crores.

**i.** 7.95% per annum for Super Senior Citizens

**ii.** 7.80% for senior citizens

**iii.** 7.3% for other customers

**iv.** Applicable to domestic, NRO and NRE rupee term deposits

**v.** Customers can avail loan against fixed deposit and premature withdrawal facilities.

**17. Where is the headquarters of Canara HSBC Life Insurance Company Limited located?**

- 1) Ludhiana, Punjab
- 2) Bengaluru, Karnataka
- 3) Mumbai, Maharashtra
- 4) Gurugram, Haryana
- 5) Noida, Uttar Pradesh

Answer- **4) Gurugram, Haryana**

**Explanation:**

**About Canara HSBC Life Insurance Company Limited:**

**Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO)- Anuj Mathur**

**Headquarters- Gurugram, Haryana**

**Established in- 2008**

**18. When was the Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. founded?**

- 1) 1868
- 2) 1875
- 3) 1880
- 4) 1871
- 5) 1869

Answer- **5) 1869**

**Explanation:**

**About the Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.:**

**Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (CEO)**- David Solomon

**Headquarters**- New York, The United States of America (USA)

**Founded in- 1869**

**19. Where was the headquarters of DBS Bank Ltd located?**

- 1) Japan
- 2) United Kingdom
- 3) Switzerland
- 4) Singapore
- 5) Germany

Answer- **4) Singapore**

**Explanation:**

**About DBS Bank Ltd:**

**Chief Executive Officer (CEO)**- Piyush Gupta

**Headquarters**- Marina Bay Financial Centre, Singapore

**Established in- 1968**

**Tagline**- Live more, Bank less

**20. Where is the headquarters of the Kotak Mahindra General Insurance Company Limited (KGI) located?**

- 1) Vadodara, Gujarat
- 2) Mumbai, Maharashtra
- 3) Bengaluru, Karnataka
- 4) Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh
- 5) Noida, Uttar Pradesh

Answer- **2) Mumbai, Maharashtra**

**Explanation:**

**About Kotak Mahindra General Insurance Company Limited (KGI):**

Kotak Mahindra General Insurance Company is a 100 percent subsidiary of Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited.

In November 2015, KGI received the licence to start the business and since then it has a national footprint of 25 branches spread across India.

**Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer (MD & CEO)** - Suresh Agarwal

**Headquarters** - Mumbai, Maharashtra

**21. In which year the International Monetary Fund (IMF) was established?**

- 1) 1965
- 2) 1948
- 3) 1944
- 4) 1974
- 5) 1961

**Answer- 3) 1944**

**Explanation:**

**About International Monetary Fund (IMF):**

**Managing Director** – Kristalina Georgieva

**Headquarters**– Washington D.C, United States of America (USA)

**Establishment**– 1944

**22. Which company has been recently (in June '24) granted a Certificate of Registration (COR) by the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) to offer insurance solutions?**

- 1) STCI Finance Limited
- 2) PNB Gilts Limited
- 3) Fullerton India
- 4) Arka Fincap Limited
- 5) IIFL Finance Limited

**Answer- 4) Arka Fincap Limited**

**Explanation:**

In June 2024, **Arka Fincap Limited** of Kirloskar Oil Engines Limited (KOEL) was granted a Certificate of Registration (COR) to act as a Corporate Agent (composite) by the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) to offer insurance solutions.

- It enables Arka to venture into insurance distribution.

**i.** The company has 31 branches across India.

**23. Which among the following are the first payment banks of India?**

- 1) Paytm Payments Bank
- 2) Airtel Payments Bank
- 3) Fino Payments Bank
- 4) India Post Payment Bank
- 5) Jio Payments Bank

**Answer- 2) Airtel Payments Bank**

**Explanation:**

**Airtel Payments Bank Limited** is India's **first payment bank**, with its license issued on April 11, 2016 and operational since January 2017.

- Payment banks are a new type of financial institution in India. They provide basic banking services to people who are currently unbanked or underbanked. Payment banks cannot offer loans or credit cards.
- They can only offer savings accounts, current accounts, and mobile banking services. The introduction of payment banks is a significant development in the Indian financial sector.

**24. What is the Full form of 'LTRO'?**

- 1) Liquidity Term Reserve Operations
- 2) Liquidity Time Repo Operations
- 3) Long-Term Repo Operations
- 4) Long-Term Reserve Operations
- 5) Long-Time Repo Operations

Answer- **3) Long-Term Repo Operations**

**Explanation:**

LTRO is **Long-Term Repo Operations**.

- **LTRO** is a tool that allows banks to borrow one to three years of funds from the Central Bank at the Repo rate. It is called 'Targeted' LTRO if the Central Bank wants banks opting for funds under this option to be specifically invested in investment-grade corporate debt.
- LTRO was first introduced by the European Central Bank (ECB) during its sovereign debt crisis that began in 2008.

**25. In June 2024, the Export-Import Bank of India (India Exim Bank) inaugurated its Representative Office in \_\_\_\_\_ to enhance India's business presence in the region.**

- 1) Cairo
- 2) Paris
- 3) Berlin
- 4) Monaco
- 5) Nairobi

Answer- **5) Nairobi**

**Explanation:**

The Export-Import Bank of India (**India Exim Bank**) inaugurated its **East Africa Representative Office in Nairobi, Kenya**, aiming to expand India's business footprint in the resource-rich and demographically young continent of East Africa.

- This initiative seeks to enhance trade and investment ties between India, Kenya, and the broader East African region.
- Over the past decade, trade between India and East Africa has surged significantly, with merchandise trade reaching USD12.9 billion in 2022, up from USD9.7 billion in 2013. Notably, India's exports to East Africa rose from USD 8.6 billion in 2013 to USD 9.4 billion in 2022, indicating a strengthening of trade relations.

**26. When was the Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) established?**

- 1) 1952
- 2) 1958
- 3) 1965
- 4) 1962
- 5) 1955

Answer- **1) 1952**

**Explanation:**

**About Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC):**

It is a **statutory body** established under the Employees' State Insurance Act (**ESIC Act**), **1948**, was the 1st major law on social security for workers in independent India.

**Director General (DG)-** Kamal Kishore Soan

**Headquarters-** New Delhi, Delhi

**Established in -** 1952

**27. In June 2024, the Centre retained the interest rate on General Provident Fund (GPF) savings at \_\_\_\_\_ for the April to June quarter of 2024.**

- 1) 7.1%
- 2) 6.5%
- 3) 5.8%
- 4) 4.9%
- 5) 6.9%

**Answer- 1) 7.1%**

**Explanation:**

The Centre has retained the interest rate on **General Provident Fund (GPF)** savings and other government retirement funds at **7.1%** for the **April to June quarter** of 2024.

- This marks the **17th successive quarter** that the rates paid out on government employees' retirement savings have been left unchanged.
- The GPF rate is also applicable to other provident funds for government employees, including those serving in the Railways and the Armed Forces.
- The GPF rate was last tweaked in the first quarter of 2020-21, when it was slashed from 7.9% to 7.1%. The GPF rate is generally kept in line with the rate offered on the Public Provident Fund (PPF), which is also 7.1% for this quarter.

**28. Which mutual fund company has recently (in June '24) become the first fund house in India to surpass Rs 10 lakh crore in Assets Under Management (AUM)?**

- 1) Edelweiss Large Cap Fund
- 2) ICICI Prudential Mutual Fund
- 3) SBI Mutual Fund
- 4) Axis Mutual Fund
- 5) Aditya Birla Sun Life Mutual Fund

**Answer- 3) SBI Mutual Fund**

**Explanation:**

SBI Mutual Fund (SBI MF) has become the first fund house in India to surpass Rs 10 lakh crore in assets under management (AUM).

- As of April 2024, SBI's own contributions accounted for Rs 2 lakh crore of SBI MF's AUM.
- Over Rs 5 lakh crore of the AUM is in direct plans, with the remaining Rs 2.2 trillion linked to other distributors.

**29. Which of the following financial services is NOT offered by the Post Office Savings Bank in India?**

- 1) Savings accounts
- 2) Recurring deposits
- 3) Fixed deposits
- 4) Mutual funds
- 5) National Savings Certificates

#### Answer- 4) Mutual funds

##### Explanation:

The **Post Office Savings Bank** in India offers various savings schemes, including savings accounts, recurring deposits, fixed deposits, National Savings Certificates (NSC), and Kisan Vikas Patra (KVP). However, it does not mention the availability of mutual funds as one of the offered financial services.

#### 30. When was the MPC committee formed?

- 1) 2015
- 2) 2016
- 3) 2017
- 4) 2018
- 5) 2012

#### Answer- 2) 2016

##### Explanation:

The Monetary Policy Committee (**MPC**) was constituted by the RBI to formulate india's monetary policy. It was established in **2016** following amendments to the RBI Act, 1934. The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) was set up under Section 45ZB of the RBI Act of **1934** by the Union government.

#### 31. Which bank has recently (in June' 24) planned to open a representative office in Dubai to expand its global footprint?

- 1) Punjab National Bank
- 2) HDFC Bank
- 3) State Bank of India
- 4) Axis Bank
- 5) Kotak Mahindra Bank

#### Answer- 1) Punjab National Bank

##### Explanation:

State-owned Punjab National Bank (**PNB**) plans to open a representative office in **Dubai**, as part of its plan to expand its global footprint.

- The bank has got the board of directors' approval for opening a representative office in Dubai and the process is on for seeking regulatory clearance.
- As on March 31, 2024, PNB had a presence in six countries by way of two subsidiaries (London-UK and Bhutan), one joint venture (Nepal), two representative offices (Myanmar and Bangladesh).
- CASA as a percentage of total deposits stood at 41.4% at the end of March 2024, the target is to improve beyond 42% by the end of the current fiscal year.

#### 32. Which bank, along with the State Bank of India (SBI), has recently (in June' 24) announced huge fund-raising plans to secure up to USD 3 billion through debt in FY25?

- 1) Punjab National Bank
- 2) Bank of India
- 3) Union Bank of India
- 4) Bank of Baroda
- 5) Kotak Mahindra Bank

#### Answer- 3) Union Bank of India

**Explanation:**

The **State Bank of India (SBI)** and **Union Bank of India (UBI)** have announced huge fund-raising plans in the backdrop of lagging deposit growth and credit growth.

- SBI, India's largest bank, is planning to raise up to **USD 3 billion** through a public offer or private placement of senior unsecured notes in US dollars or any other major foreign currency in **FY25**.
- UBI has firmed up plans to mobilise up to Rs.10,000 crore, including Rs.6,000 crore by way of equity capital and the balance through bonds.
- As of May 17, 2024, all scheduled bank deposits had increased by 13.09 per cent y-o-y, while their credit growth stood at 19.19 per cent, underscoring the gap between deposit and credit growth.
- UBI also plans to mop up up to Rs 2,000 crore each via Basel III compliant Additional Tier 1 (AT 1) bonds and Tier 2 Bonds (including foreign currency denominated AT1/Tier 2 Bonds).

**33. Name the company that recently (in June' 24) became the first Indian EV two-wheeler maker to receive the Securities and Exchange Board of India's (SEBI's) approval for its Initial Public Offering (IPO), aiming to raise Rs.7,250 Crore.**

- 1) Tata Motors Limited
- 2) Greaves Electric Mobility Private Limited
- 3) Ola Electric Mobility
- 4) Ashok Leyland Electric
- 5) Mahindra Electric Mobility

Answer- **3) Ola Electric Mobility**

**Explanation:**

Electric vehicle maker **Ola Electric Mobility** has received Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)'s approval for its Initial Public Offering (IPO), aiming to raise Rs.7,250 Crore.

- Ola Electric, the first Indian EV two-wheeler maker to file for an IPO, submitted its draft red herring prospectus (DRHP) on December 22, 2023.
- The IPO includes a fresh issue of Rs.5,500 Crore and an offer for sale (OFS) of Rs.1,750 Crore. Existing shareholders will sell 95.19 million shares in the OFS, according to the DRHP.

**34. When was the World Economic Forum (WEF) established?**

- 1) 1969
- 2) 1992
- 3) 1971
- 4) 1954
- 5) 1962

Answer- **3) 1971**

Explanation:

**About World Economic Forum (WEF):**

**Founder-** Prof. Klaus Schwab

**Managing Director (MD)-** Saadia Zahidi

**Headquarters-** Cologny, Geneva Canton, Switzerland

**Established in-** 1971



**35. Which company has recently (in June' 24) launched two new fund offerings including 'Rangoli India Fund' and 'G20 Portfolio'?**

- 1) Aditya Birla Sun Life Asset Management Company Limited
- 2) Unifi Capital Private Limited
- 3) ICICI Prudential Mutual Fund
- 4) ASK Investment Managers Limited
- 5) SBI Mutual Fund

Answer- **2) Unifi Capital**

**Explanation:**

**Unifi Capital Private Limited**, an Indian portfolio management firm, has launched two new fund offerings through its subsidiary, Unifi Investment Management LLP (**UIML**), located in **Gift City**, International Finances Services Centre, **Gujarat**.

- The first offering is the Rangoli India Fund, an in-bound Category III AIF registered with SEBI as a Category 1 Foreign Portfolio Investment (FPI).
- The second fund is the G20 Portfolio, an outbound PMS currently under development. This fund aims to bring 20 leading global listed businesses to Indian HNI investors, allowing them to diversify internationally and optimise their portfolio's risk-adjusted returns.

**36. How many subsidiaries are fully owned by RBI?**

- 1) Five
- 2) Ten
- 3) Eight
- 4) Four
- 5) Six

Answer- **1) Five**

**Explanation:**

**The 5 owned subsidiaries of RBI are:**

Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation of India (DICGC), Bharatiya Reserve Bank Note Mudran Private Limited (BRBNMPL), Reserve Bank Information Technology Private Limited (ReBIT), Indian Financial Technology and Allied Services (IFTAS) Reserve Bank Innovation Hub (RBIH).

**37. In June 2024, the State Bank of India (SBI) approved a plan to raise up to \_\_\_\_\_ through debt in FY25.**

- 1) USD 3 billion
- 2) USD 7 billion
- 3) USD 4.5 billion
- 4) USD 5 billion
- 5) USD 2 billion

Answer- **1) USD 3 billion**

**Explanation:**

**State Bank of India (SBI)**, India's largest lender, has approved a plan to raise up to **USD 3 billion** through debt in FY25.

- It plans to secure the funds in multiple tranches via either a public offering or private placement of senior unsecured notes. These notes will be denominated in US dollars or other major foreign currencies.

**38. Which Indian company has recently (in June '24) signed an agreement worth USD 278 million with German bank — Deutsche Apotheker-und Ärztebank eG (apoBank)?**

- 1) Wipro Limited
- 2) Infosys
- 3) Tata Consultancy Service
- 4) HCLTech Limited
- 5) HCL Technologies

**Answer- 4) HCLTech Limited**

**Explanation:**

**HCLTech Limited** has signed an agreement worth USD 278 million with Germany's largest cooperative primary bank — **Deutsche Apotheker-und Ärztebank eG (apoBank)**.

- HCLTech will help apoBank achieve an outcome-oriented managed services model that delivers resilient, scalable, high quality and compliant digital foundation services

**39. Which company has recently (in June'24) launched its 'Book My Gold Loan' campaign featuring Shah Rukh Khan?**

- 1) Federal Bank
- 2) Manappuram Finance
- 3) IIFL Finance
- 4) Muthoot FinCorp Limited
- 5) Axis Bank

**Answer- 4) Muthoot FinCorp Limited**

**Explanation:**

Muthoot FinCorp Limited (**MFL**), the flagship company of the **Muthoot Pappachan** Group (Muthoot Blue), has launched its 'Book My Gold Loan' campaign featuring **Shah Rukh Khan**.

**40. When was the World Bank established?**

- 1) 1958
- 2) 1944
- 3) 1948
- 4) 1954
- 5) 1952

**Answer- 2) 1944**

**Explanation:**

**About World Bank:**

**President**–Ajay Banga

**Headquarters**– Washington, DC, The United States of America (USA)

**Established**– 1944

**41. Which regulatory/statutory body has recently (in June' 24) accepted Paytm General Insurance Corporation Limited's registration withdrawal application?**

- 1) Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India
- 2) Reserve Bank of India
- 3) Competition Commission of India
- 4) International Financial Services Centres Authority

5) Securities and Exchange Board of India

Answer- **1) Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India**

**Explanation:**

**Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI)** has accepted **Paytm General Insurance Corporation Limited's** registration withdrawal application.

- Paytm General Insurance Limited had approached the IRDAI for the withdrawal of its application for registration as a "General Insurance Company " for being a manufacturer of general insurance products.
- Paytm aims to innovate on small ticket insurance products for consumers and merchants alike by focusing on small-ticket general insurance offerings along with our partners and leveraging the strength of Paytm's distribution to increase insurance penetration to a wider audience.

**42.Which company has recently (in June' 24) received final approval from the RBI to operate as an online payment aggregator?**

- 1) Easebuzz Private Limited
- 2) Fiserv India Private Limited
- 3) Perfios Software Solutions
- 4) Nexstep Infotech
- 5) Aurionpro Payment Solutions Private Limited

Answer- **5) Aurionpro Payment Solutions Private Limited**

**Explanation:**

**Aurionpro Payment Solutions Private Limited**, a subsidiary of Aurionpro Solutions, has received final approval from the **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** to operate as an **online payment aggregator** under the Payments Settlements Act, 2007 through its payments brand AuroPay.

- The authorisation from the apex bank enables the company to operate as an online payment aggregator to provide digital payments services to merchants across India.

**43.Which regulatory/statutory body has recently (in June' 24) given approval to Sovereign Global Markets Private Limited to act as an online bond platform provider?**

- 1) Reserve Bank of India
- 2) Securities and Exchange Board of India
- 3) BSE Limited
- 4) Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India
- 5) National Stock Exchange

Answer- **3) BSE Limited**

**Explanation:**

**Sovereign Global Markets Private Limited**, a New Delhi-based fund house, has received the **BSE Limited's** (formerly Bombay Stock Exchange) nod to act as an **online bond platform provider**.

- Online bond platforms sell bonds or **non-convertible debentures** (NCDs) to investors, especially retail investors, through their websites or mobile applications.
- It also plans to introduce sovereign gold bonds, structured debt papers as well as corporate fixed deposits (FDs).

**44. Which company has recently (in June' 24) launched Bima Central, a platform for insurance portfolio management?**

- 1) NSDL Database Management
- 2) Karvy Insurance Repository Limited
- 3) CDSL Insurance Repository Limited
- 4) CAMS Insurance Repository Services Limited
- 5) VML Insurance Repository Services Limited

**Answer- 4) CAMS Insurance Repository Services Limited**

**Explanation:**

**CAMSRep (CAMS Insurance Repository Services Limited)**, a subsidiary of Computer Age Management Services Private Limited (CAMS), has launched **Bima Central**, a platform for **insurance portfolio management**.

- Bima Central allows users to manage life, health, and motor policies through an eInsurance account (**eIA**).
- The policyholders will get access to the platform for managing policies with various insurers, with features such as simplified policy information, renewals and reminders, profile management of personal data and nominee information, and policy calendar.
- The current interface is available in **English and Hindi** on Android, iOS and on the web portal.

**45. What is the tagline of the Bank of Maharashtra?**

- 1) Together We Can
- 2) One Family One Bank
- 3) Banking for All
- 4) Your Perfect Banking Partner
- 5) Trusted Family Bank

**Answer- 2) One Family One Bank**

**Explanation:**

The tagline of the Bank of Maharashtra is "**One Family One Bank**."

**46. Which Indian Bank has recently (June 2024) completed the issuance of USD 100 million (about Rs 830 crore) in bonds to support its business expansion?**

- 1) Canara Bank
- 2) IndusInd Bank
- 3) RBL Bank
- 4) IDFC First Bank
- 5) State Bank of India

**Answer- 5) State Bank of India**

**Explanation:**

State Bank of India (SBI) has announced the successful issuance of USD 100 million (about Rs 830 crore) in bonds to support its business expansion. The funds were raised via senior unsecured floating rate notes with a maturity period of three years.

**47. Kotak Mahindra Life Insurance Company Ltd has recently (June 2024), launched \_\_\_\_\_ to provide protection for two generations through a single plan.**

- 1) Two + Two
- 2) 2 Gen
- 3) Gen2Gen
- 4) 1 Plus 2
- 5) None of the Above

**Answer- 3) Gen2Gen**

**Explanation:**

Kotak Mahindra Life Insurance Company Ltd (Kotak Life) has launched an unprecedented protection plan, Kotak Gen2Gen Protect, which secures two generations under one policy.

- Offering a 100% guaranteed return on premium benefit for survival, this product allows risk coverage transfer to the child once the parent reaches sixty or sixty-five years old, ensuring continued protection until the child turns sixty.
- Comprehensive coverage includes in-built wellness benefits and riders like Accidental Death Benefit, Permanent Disability Benefit, and Critical Illness Plus. Additionally, women policyholders receive a 5% extra death benefit.

**48. Which mutual fund has recently (in June '24) has increased its stake in Kotak Mahindra Bank to 5.01%?**

- 1) Aditya Birla Sun Life Asset Management
- 2) Motilal Oswal Financial Services
- 3) SBI Mutual Fund
- 4) Axis Mutual Fund
- 5) Bajaj Finserv Limited

**Answer- 3) SBI Mutual Fund**

**Explanation:**

**SBI Mutual Fund** has increased its stake in **Kotak Mahindra Bank** to over 5 per cent. It purchased 21.57 lakh shares through the open market on 5th June 2024.

- With this addition, SBI Mutual Fund's stake in Kotak Mahindra Bank increased to **5.01%**.

**49. What is the tagline of Karnataka Bank Limited (KBL)?**

- 1) Support All the Way
- 2) Your Family Bank Across India
- 3) Let's Make Money Simple
- 4) Banking With Personal Touch
- 5) Experience Next Generation Banking

**Answer- 2) Your Family Bank Across India**

**Explanation:**

**About Karnataka Bank Limited (KBL):**

**Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (MD & CEO)- Srikrishnan Hari Hara Sarma**

**Headquarters- Mangaluru, Karnataka**

**Tagline- Your Family Bank Across India**

**Established – 1924**

**50. Who is the current (as of June' 24) Chairman of Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA)?**

- 1) Tutu Pattnaik
- 2) Latika Katt
- 3) Deepak Mohanty
- 4) Shilpa Gupta
- 5) Anish Kapoor

Answer- **3) Deepak Mohanty**

**Explanation:**

**About Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA):**

It is a regulatory body that operates under the Ministry of Finance.

**Chairman- Dr. Deepak Mohanty**

**Headquarters- New Delhi, Delhi**

**Established - 2003**

**51. Capital Adequacy Ratio(CAR) of Small finance bank is \_\_\_\_\_.**

- 1) 5%
- 2) 10%
- 3) 20%
- 4) 15%
- 5) 25%

Answer- **4) 15%**

**Explanation:**

The Capital Adequacy Ratio (**CAR**) of Small Finance Banks (**SFBs**) in India is regulated by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI). As per the current guidelines issued by the RBI, SFBs are required to maintain a minimum Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR) of **15%**.

**52. Who has been recently (in June' 24) appointed as the Non-Executive Independent Director of Paytm?**

- 1) Arjun Singh Cheema
- 2) Varun Tomar
- 3) Pradeep Kumar Chakorborthy
- 4) Rajeev Krishna Muralilal Agarwal
- 5) Ujjawal Malik

Answer- **4) Rajeev Krishna Muralilal Agarwal**

**Explanation:**

**Paytm** has announced the appointment of **former Indian Revenue Service (IRS)** officer and **SEBI** whole-time member, **Rajeev Krishna Muralilal Agarwal**, as **Non-Executive Independent Director**, as a replacement for **Neeraj Arora**, who resigned due to personal commitments.

- In a meeting held on June 17 2024, based on the recommendation of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, the appointment was approved with immediate effect for a term of five consecutive years.

**53. Which company has recently (in June '24) entered into a strategic alliance with Namdev Finvest Private Limited to offer comprehensive financial solutions, including insurance and NBFC services, to its customers?**

- 1) Aditya Birla General Insurance Company Limited
- 2) India First Life Insurance Company Limited
- 3) SBI Life Insurance Company Limited
- 4) ICICI Prudential Life Insurance Company Limited
- 5) Bajaj Allianz General Insurance Company Limited

**Answer- 5) Bajaj Allianz General Insurance Company Limited**

**Explanation:**

**Namdev Finvest Private Limited**, a Jaipur based **Non-Banking Financial Institutions (NBFC)**, has entered into a strategic alliance with **Bajaj Allianz General Insurance Company Limited**, a leading insurance platform, to offer comprehensive financial solutions, including insurance and NBFC services, to its customers.

- The strategic alliance leverages Namdev's customer network and geographic presence, backed by Bajaj General Insurance's expertise in insurance products.

**54. Who is the current (as of June '24) Managing Director (MD) of the International Finance Corporation (IFC)?**

- 1) Klaus Schwab
- 2) Makhtar Diop
- 3) Ulrika Francke
- 4) Gerhard Adrian
- 5) Daren Tang

**Answer- 2) Makhtar Diop**

**Explanation:**

**About International Finance Corporation (IFC):**

IFC is the private sector arm of the World Bank Group and shares its mission to reduce global poverty.

**Managing Director (MD)**– Makhtar Diop

**Headquarters**– Washington, D.C., the United States of America (USA)

**Established**- 1956

**55. How many loans were disbursed by Indian fintech companies in the fiscal year 2023–24 as per the Fintech Association for Consumer Empowerment (FACE) data?**

- 1) 25 crore
- 2) 20 crore
- 3) 15 crore
- 4) 5 crore
- 5) 10 crore

**Answer- 5) 10 crore**

**Explanation:**

As per the Fintech Association for Consumer Empowerment (FACE) data, Indian fintech companies disbursed **10 crore loans worth Rs 1,46,517 crore** during the fiscal year 23-24.

- The average ticket size for loans disbursed in FY24 stood at Rs 12,648, compared to Rs 11,094 in FY23.

- Fintech Association for Consumer Empowerment (FACE) is an industry body that tracks the progress of digital loans.

**56. Who has recently (in June '24) become the official sponsor of Team India at the Paris Olympics 2024?**

- 1) HCL Technologies Limited
- 2) Aditya Birla Capital Limited
- 3) Tata Trusts
- 4) Adani Group
- 5) Infosys Limited

Answer- **2) Aditya Birla Capital Limited**

**Explanation:**

**Aditya Birla Capital Limited** announced its partnership with the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) as the official sponsor of Team India at the Paris Olympics 2024.

- As a part of this endeavor, Aditya Birla Capital will launch an integrated marketing campaign featuring leading Indian athletes who will represent the country at the Paris Olympics 2024.

**57. Which bank has recently (in June '24) announced that its board approved raising up to Rs 20,000 crore in the current fiscal year by issuing long-term bonds?**

- 1) Punjab National Bank
- 2) State Bank of India
- 3) Canara Bank
- 4) Bank of India
- 5) HDFC Bank

Answer- **2) State Bank of India**

**Explanation:**

The **State Bank of India (SBI)** announced that its board approved raising long-term bonds up to an amount of **Rs 20,000 crore** through a public issue or private placement during FY25.

- In January, SBI raised Rs 5,000 crore through perpetual bonds with an 8.34 per cent coupon.
- For the full financial year 2023-24 (FY24), SBI reported record net profit of Rs 61,077 crore, which was a 21.6 per cent year-on-year growth.

**58. Where is the headquarters of the Dhanlaxmi Bank Limited situated?**

- 1) Vadodara, Gujarat
- 2) Thrissur, Kerala
- 3) Mumbai, Maharashtra
- 4) Bengaluru, Karnataka
- 5) Chennai, Tamil Nadu

Answer- **2) Thrissur, Kerala**

**Explanation:**

**About Dhanlaxmi Bank Limited:**

**MD & CEO**– Ajith Kumar KK

**Headquarters** – Thrissur, Kerala

**Incorporated**- 1927



**59. Where is the headquarters of the Central Banking Publications situated?**

- 1) Paris France
- 2) Mumbai, India
- 3) New York, the United States of America
- 4) Beijing, China
- 5) London, the United Kingdom

Answer- **5) London, the United Kingdom**

**Explanation:**

**About Central Banking Publications:**

Central Banking Publications was founded in 1990 and acquired by Infopro Digital in 2017.

**Founder and Chairman**– Robert Pringle

**Headquarters**– London, the United Kingdom(UK)

**60. In June 2024, India's Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) imposed a fine of \_\_\_\_\_ on Binance Holdings Limited.**

- 1) Rs 18.82 crore
- 2) Rs 14.09 crore
- 3) Rs 17.12 crore
- 4) Rs 15.10 crore
- 5) Rs 10.14 crore

Answer- **1) Rs 18.82 crore**

**Explanation:**

**Binance Holdings Limited** has been fined **Rs 18.82 crore** (USD 2.25 million) by **India's Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU)** for violating the India's anti-money laundering regulation.

- Binance to comply with "Chapter IV of the PMLA 2002, in conjunction with the PMLA Maintenance of Record Rules (PMLA Rules) of 2005 for prevention of money laundering activities and combating the financing of terrorism (AMLCFT) to maintain records of all transactions."
- It is mandatory for virtual digital asset service providers like crypto exchanges in India to be registered with the FIU as a reporting entity and comply with its anti-money laundering rules.

**61. In June 2024, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed a fine of \_\_\_\_\_ on Sonali Bank PLC for non-compliance issues including loans and advances and Know Your Customer (KYC) norms.**

- 1) Rs 78.5 lakh
- 2) Rs 32.60 lakh
- 3) Rs 58.2 lakh
- 4) Rs 96.4 lakh
- 5) Rs 48.74 lakh

Answer- **4) Rs 96.4 lakh**

**Explanation:**

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed a fine of **Rs 96.4 lakh** on **Sonali Bank PLC** for non-compliance issues including loans and advances and Know Your Customer (KYC) norms

- Sonali Bank PLC's Indian wing is part of the commercial Bank of **Bangladesh**.

**62. Who is the current (as of June '24) Managing Director (MD) & Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Federal Bank Limited?**

- 1) Nidhu Saxena
- 2) Matam Venkata Rao
- 3) Atul Kumar Goel
- 4) Swarup Kumar Saha
- 5) Shyam Srinivasan

**Answer- 5) Shyam Srinivasan**

**Explanation:**

**About Federal Bank Limited:**

It was incorporated on **April 23, 1931**. The Bank was **renamed** as The **Federal Bank Limited** in December **1949**.

Managing Director (MD) & Chief Executive Officer (CEO)- Shyam Srinivasan

**Headquarters-** Aluva, Kerala

**Tagline-** Your Perfect Banking Partner

**63. In Which year, the India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) was established?**

- 1) 2019
- 2) 2018
- 3) 2015
- 4) 2012
- 5) 2016

**Answer- 2) 2018**

**Explanation:**

**About India Post Payments Bank (IPPB):**

IPPB has been established under the Department of Posts(DoP), Ministry of Communication(MoC) with 100% equity owned by the Government of India (GoI).

**Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (MD & CEO) - R. Viswesvaran**

**Headquarters - New Delhi, Delhi**

**Established in - 2018**

**Tagline - Aapka Bank Aapke Dwar**

**64. As of June 2024, how many member states are in the Asian Development Bank (ADB)?**

- 1) 95
- 2) 82
- 3) 68
- 4) 126
- 5) 72

**Answer- 3) 68**

**Explanation:**

**About Asian Development Bank (ADB):**

ADB, established in 1966, is a multilateral development financing institution dedicated to reducing poverty in Asia and the Pacific.

**President-** Masatsugu Asakawa

**Headquarters-** Mandaluyong City, Manila, Philippines