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1. National Science Day-- Feb 28
2. Headquarters of ISRO – Bengaluru
3. Validity time of cheque-- 3 Months
4. World Cup Cricket 2023 Venue – India
5. First Bank in India – Bank of Hindustan
6. Percentage of Nitrogen in air-- 78%
7. First Olympic Games was held in – Athens,Greece.
8. Which is the opponent team for the first test match of Sachin in 1989?-- Pakistan
9. What is shortcut key to expand browsing screen in web browser?-- F11
10. Shimla Agreement took place in-- 1972
11. ASCII Stands For-- American Standard Code for Information Interchange
12. What gases can be found on Saturn? -- Hydrogen and Helium
13. What is the process called in which Zinc Oxide is applied to metals to stop them from rusting?--
   a. Galvanization
14. DBMS full form? -- **Database Management System**

15. Which fundamental right is guaranteed even to non-citizens of India? **Article 21 – Right to Life & Personal Liberty**

16. The Second Round Table Conference was conducted in which month of 1931? — **September**

17. Who was awarded the 2015 Nobel Prize of Literature? -- **Svetlana Alexievich**

18. How many Fundamental Duties we have in our constitution? — **11**

19. Leucoderma (Safed Daag) treatment? — **Pseudocatalase**

20. Confucius award 2016 was given to? -- **Robert Mugabe of Zimbabwe**

21. What is the full form of UNFCCC? -- **United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change**

22. Recently, the Delhi Police launched an app for women in distress. The name of the app is — **Himmat**

23. “Father of All India Services” — **Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel**

24. Name of the operation that led to the capture and death of Osama Bin Laden — **Operation Neptune Spear**

25. Who started the Home Rule Movement in India? -- **Annie Besant**

26. Chenab, Jhelum are tributaries of which river? -- **Indus**

27. Winner of Women’s Doubles Title at BNP Paribas Open Tournament in 2016-- **Sania Mirza & Martina Hingis**

28. Who is the only male in the National Women’s Commission? -- **Alok Rawat**

29. Who came up with the concept of properties of elements repeating as a property of their atomic number, as is arranged in the periodic table? -- **Dmitri Mendeleev**

30. Which organ removes nitrogenous compounds from the blood? — **Kidney**

31. Rocket launch pad – **Sriharikota**

32. INS Vikrant was decommissioned in which year? — **1997**
33. What is study of soil called as? – Pedology

34. In which year Aryabhatta was launched? – 1975

35. While raining a type of smell comes known as? – Ozone

36. Who is chairman of human rights commission? -- HL Dattu

37. What are number of balls in snooker? – 22

38. Fastest century in test cricket match? -- Brendon Mccullum

39. Who is president of south Asian wrestling federation? -- Brij Bhushan Sharan Singh

40. Delhi is made capital in which year? – 1911

41. World Vanya Prandi day? -- 6th October

42. Pakistani cricket umpire which has been banned for 5 years? -- Asad Rauf

43. The first animal domesticated by Neolithic people? — Dog

44. What is the full form of NSA? -- National Security Agency

45. Who was first female Judge of High Court? -- Anna Chandy

46. Which gas is filled in balloons? – Helium

47. Which Constitution Amendment was enacted by Indira Gandhi during the Emergency? -- 42nd Amendment

48. Who holds the record for the Fastest Test Hundred? -- Brendon McCullum

49. The President signed a proclamation under which article for imposing President’s Rule in Arunachal Pradesh? -- 356(1)

50. Jeevan Raksha Padak has how many categories? -- 3 (Sarvottam Jeevan Raksha Padak, Uttam Jeevan Raksha Padak, and Jeevan Raksha Padak)
1. Global Peace Index 2019: India Ranks 141:

- India’s ranked 141 among 163 countries on the Global Peace Index 2019.
- Iceland remains the most peaceful country and Afghanistan the least peaceful nation.
- New Zealand has been ranked the second most peaceful country.
- Portugal was ranked third, and Austria fourth and Denmark was fifth most peaceful country in the world.
- The report is prepared by Australian think tank Institute for Economics & Peace.

2. Traffic Index-2018:

- Mumbai ‘most congested’ among 403 global cities, Delhi ranks 4th.
- Mumbaikars spend 65% extra time caught in traffic.
- New Delhi ranked fourth with a congestion rank of 58%.
- Bogota (63%) in Colombia and Lima in Peru (58%) were ranked second and third on the list respectively, while the Russian capital Moscow (56%) ranked fifth.
3. Global Gender Equality Index Released: India Ranks 95

- India ranked 95th out of 129 countries in a new index that measures global gender equality looking at aspects such as poverty, health, education, literacy, political representation and equality at the workplace.

- The list was topped by Denmark followed by Finland and Sweden.

- Chad was placed at bottom most position (129th).

- The Index is developed by Equal Measures 2030, a partnership effort of regional and global organisations.

- Indicators: It includes 51 indicators across 14 of 17 official Sustainable Development Goals (SDG).

4. End of Childhood Index 2019:

- India was ranked 113 in 176 countries on the wellbeing of children.

- The Index was released by ‘Save the Children’, a United Kingdom (UK) based nonprofit organisation which works for children's rights.

- The Index was topped by Singapore.

5. IIT Bombay has emerged the country’s best university: QS Rankings

- IIT Bombay has emerged the country’s best university for the second consecutive year in the 2019 QS World University Ranking.

- Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) was named the world’s best for a record eighth consecutive year.

- Twenty-three Indian institutes feature in the sixteenth edition of the QS World University Ranking in which IIT Bombay (152), IIT Delhi (182) and Indian Institute of Science Bangalore (184) are ranked in the global top 200.

- The ranking is produced by global higher education consultancy Quacquarelli Symonds, QS ranks the world’s top 1,000 universities.

6. IMD World Competitiveness Rankings 2019
India ranked at 43rd position in the competitive economy in the world.

In 2018 India was ranked at 44th place.

Singapore has grabbed the top position.

Hong Kong SAR is in second position and US has slipped to the third place in 2019.

The ranking is compiled by International Institute for Management Development (IMD).

7. Kids Right Index 2019: India Ranks 117

- India stands in a lowly 117th position out of 181 countries in the KidsRight Index.
- The index ranks how countries adhere to and are equipped to improve child rights.
- Iceland secured the top position in the index followed by Portugal.
- KidsRights Index is an initiative of Kids Right Foundation in cooperation with Erasmus University, Rotterdam.

8. India ranked 20th among the top capital importing countries: Knight Frank

- With investment of $2.6 billion, India was ranked 20th among the top capital importing countries globally, while China was at the 6th position with an investment of $14.30 billion.
- The US was the top capital importing country globally with an investment of $80.89 billion.
- The report noted that the US also topped the list of capital exporting countries globally, with an investment of $59.62 billion, followed by Canada ($50.41 billion) and Germany ($24.50 billion).

9. Cancer Preparedness Index 2019

- India Ranks 19th
- India was ranked 19th out of 28 countries in the Index.
- Index is released by the Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU).
- Top 3 countries are Australia (1st), Netherlands (2nd) and Germany (3rd).
- Bottom three are Saudi Arabia (28th), Romania (27th) and Egypt (26th).
10. Global Startup Ecosystem

- India was ranked 17th position among 100 countries.
- It was released by Start up Blink.
- The report ranks countries based on the strength of its startup ecosystem.
- China was ranked 27th.
- Bangalore, New Delhi, and Mumbai were the top cities in the Indian startup ecosystem.
- Top three countries are: United States, United Kingdom and Canada.

11. India Ranks 140th In World Press Freedom Index

- India ranked 140th out of 180 countries in the World Press Freedom Index 2019.
- Index is released by Reporters Without Borders.
- The index is topped by Norway followed by Finland and Sweden.

12. WEF Global Energy Transition Index

- India rank 76th on a global energy transition index.
- The report stated that India is amongst the countries with high pollution levels and has a relatively high CO2 intensity in its energy system.
- Sweden remains on the top and is followed by Switzerland and Norway in the top three.
- The index is compiled by Geneva-based World Economic Forum (WEF).

13. World Happiness Report 2019 – India is ranked 140th out of 156 nations.

- The World Happiness Report was released by the Sustainable Development Solutions Network for the United Nations.
- For the second consecutive year, Finland topped the list.
- Denmark ranked second followed by Norway.
Pakistan ranked 67th, Bhutan 95th, China 93rd, Bangladesh 125th, and Sri Lanka 130th while South Sudan ranked last in the World Happiness Report.


- The World Gold Council's latest report highlights the quantum of gold holding by different countries.
- India has the 11th largest gold reserve and the current holding pegged at 607 tonnes.
- The top spot is occupied by US gold reserves of 8,133.5 tonnes, followed by Germany with 3,369.7 tonnes.
- International Monetary Fund (IMF) ranks third on the list with total gold reserves of 2,814 tonnes.
- The World Gold Council is the market development organisation for the gold industry and it aims to stimulate and sustain demand for gold, provide industry leadership, and be the global authority on the gold market.
- The members of the World Gold Council include gold mining companies.

15. India ranks 16th in terms of Highest Number of impacted Species in Hotspots

- A recent study published in PLOS Biology found that human impacts on species occur across 84% of the earth’s surface and India ranks 16th in such impacts, with 35 species impacted on an average.
- Malaysia ranks 1st among the countries with the highest number of impacted species (125).
- Southeast Asian tropical forests, including those in India’s Western Ghats, Himalaya, and north-east, are among the ‘hotspots’ of threatened species.
- However, these very areas are also ‘coolspots’ (the world’s last refuges where high numbers of threatened species still persist).

16. Inclusive Internet Index 2019

- India has been ranked 47th.
- Sweden has topped the rankings followed by Singapore and the US.
- The Inclusive Internet Index 2019 was prepared by the Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU) for Facebook.
17. **International IP index 2019**

- India has jumped eight places to **36th position** on the International Intellectual Property (IP) Index.
- The US, the UK, Sweden, France and Germany remained the top five economies on the intellectual property index in 2019.
- In 2018, India was ranked at 44th position.

18. **Corruption Perception Index 2018**

- India has improved its ranking by 3 points by moving onto **78th position** in the Corruption Perceptions Index 2018 published by Transparency International.
- China and Pakistan, in a list of 180 countries, lagged far behind than India at 87th and 117th position respectively.
- Somalia has been ranked last with a score of 10 behind South Sudan and Syria.

19. **India ranks 54th in 'Bloomberg Innovation Index’ of 60 economies**

- For the first time ever, India has been ranked in Bloomberg’s 2019 list of most innovative countries in the world.
- India has grabbed the 54th spot among 60 countries in the Bloomberg Innovation Index with a score of 47.93 out of 100.
- South Korea has topped the Bloomberg Innovation Index for the sixth time in a row with a total score of 87.38.
- Germany ranked second, Finland stood on the third spot.

20. **Global Talent Competitive Index 2019:**

- India ranked at **80th positions** on the Global Talent Competitive Index (GTCI) 2019.
- The index is released by INSEAD business school in partnership with Tata Communications and Adecco Group.
Switzerland topped the index which is followed by Singapore and the US.

Last year in 2018, India was ranked at 81st position.

21. Democracy Index 2019:

- The Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU) has released the Democracy Index which ranks 167 countries by 60 indicators across five broad categories.

- Top 3 countries in the list are – Norway, Iceland and Sweden.

- Australia and New Zealand are the only “full democracies” in the entire Asia-Pacific region.

- India was at the 41st place with a score of 7.23/10 and was placed in the flawed democracies category.

22. India Ranks 79th, Japan Tops List of Most Powerful Passports

- According to the Henley Passport Index, India jumped two positions from 81st in 2018 to 79th in 2019.

- Japan retained its top spot as the world’s most travel-friendly passport.

23. India 6th in GDPR Readiness Index: CISCO

- Nearly 65% of Indian organizations are better prepared for the European Union’s General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), making the country the sixth leading nation globally in the GDPR readiness index, global networking leader, according to CISCO.

24. World Bank’s ease-of-doing-business 2019: India ranked at 77

- India’s jumped 23 places to 77 among 190 countries in the World Bank’s Ease of Doing Business 2019 index.


- In its annual 'Doing Business' 2019 report, the World Bank said India has improved on six of the 10 parameters on starting and doing business in a country.

- The biggest improvements have been in the indicators related "construction permits" and "trading across borders."
• Last year, India ranked at 100th position.

• The top 3 economies in the ease of doing business rankings are **New Zealand, Singapore, and Denmark**.

**25. IMD World Talent Ranking: India Ranks 53rd**

- Switzerland has topped the list of the IMD World Talent Ranking 2018 for the fifth year in a row.
- The Top 3 countries in the list are: Switzerland, Denmark, Norway

**26. Climate Change Performance Index 2019:**

- India ranked at 11th position.
- As per the Index, Sweden has topped the list while India was on 11th position.
- Saudi Arabia came last, in 60th place, partly due to its obstructive role during international climate negotiations.

**27. WEF Gender Gap Index 2018:**

- India has been ranked 108th in World Economic Forum (WEF) gender gap index 2018.
- As per the WEF’s Global Gender Gap Report 2018, Iceland topped the list having closed more than 85.8% of its overall gender gap.
- The Report was published for total 149 countries.
- Norway and Sweden were on 2nd and 3rd position, respectively.
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