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### 'Durga Bharat Samman' Awards

- Renowned Hindustani classical vocalist and composer, Pandit Ajoy Chakrabarty, was recently honored with the esteemed 'Durga Bharat Samman' by West Bengal's Governor, C V Ananda Bose.
- This distinguished award stands as a testament to his outstanding contributions to the realm of music, acknowledging his pivotal role in safeguarding and promoting the rich heritage of Indian classical music.
- The 'Durga Bharat Samman' accolades serve as a celebration of excellence
  across a spectrum of fields, ranging from the captivating world of classical music
  to the advancements in educational institutions, space exploration, and
  maritime engineering.
- These honors not only commend the remarkable endeavors of the recipients but also aim to inspire future generations to aspire towards greatness in their chosen domains.



## **IICA & Skill Council For Persons With Disability**

Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs and Skill Council for Persons with
 Disability signed a Memorandum of Understanding for Job Coach for Inclusivity
 Programmes in Gurugram.



- The purpose of MoU is to synergise the expertise of these institutions with the aim of equipping the corporate in the areas of knowledge, skills, and competencies for building and managing a diverse workforce.
- To promote the inclusion of differently-abled people among their workforce.
- The collaboration will result in building capacities of corporate representatives and other such stakeholders who wish to make their move in the Diversity and Inclusion arena.

### **Bharat Tex 2024**

- Union Minister of Textiles, Commerce & Industry, Consumer Affairs and Food & Public Distribution Shri Piyush Goyal lauded industry bodies of the textile sector for their initiative in organising Bharat Tex 2024- the world's biggest ever textiles event in the world.
- It is envisaged to be the **biggest textile event** at the global level, with exhibitors and buyers from over 40 countries.



- Bharat Tex 2024 would be a comprehensive showcase of the entire textile industry value chain, from India's rich cultural heritage and textile traditions to the latest technological innovations.
- With over 1,000 exhibitors and more than 30,000 visitors from 40 countries, this
  mega event would include knowledge sessions, seminars and conferences, CEO

- roundtables, B2B & G2G meetings, besides strategic investment announcements, product launches and collaborations that would redefine the textile industry on a global scale.
- Live demonstrations, cultural events, and fashion presentations will provide an
  exceptionally creative and engaging environment, providing insights into the
  realms of textile, fashion, sustainability, and style originating from the heart of
  India.
- Bharat Tex 2024 is being planned as a consolidated and unique platform to position and showcase India's entire textile value chain and also highlight strengths in fashion, traditional crafts and sustainability initiatives.



### **Solar Panel Standards & Labelling Programme**

 The Indian Government has introduced a Standards & Labelling Programme for solar panels to enable citizens to make informed decisions while purchasing and deploying solar photovoltaic modules, commonly known as solar panels.



- The program aims to provide consumers with essential information to help them choose efficient solar panels.
- The **Bureau of Energy Efficiency** (BEE) has prepared a star labelling scheme for PV (Photovoltaic) modules, which will be effective from January 1, 2024, to December 31, 2025.

- During this period, there will be no labelling fee. As of now, 15 appliances are under a mandatory labelling regime, meaning they cannot be sold in the market without the label.
- Additionally, 19 appliances are in the voluntary regime, where market development is ongoing. The program empowers consumers by allowing them to evaluate the efficiency of different solar panel brands, promoting competition in the market.
- It aligns with the government's broader goal of increasing the share of renewable energy and reducing the emission intensity of GDP by 45% by 2030.



### **REC Limited Honoured with Golden Peacock Award**

- REC Limited (formerly Rural Electrification Corporation Limited) a Maharatna
   Central Public Sector Enterprise under the Ministry of Power, has received the
   Golden Peacock Award in Risk Management for its commitment to
   implementing effective risk assessment strategies.
- The Golden Peacock Awards, established by the Institute of Directors (IOD), India in 1991, has emerged as an internationally acclaimed standard for corporate excellence.
- The IOD is an apex professional association for Directors in India under the Societies Registration Act, XXI of 1860 to fill the need for professional development of Corporate Directors and building effective Boards.
- REC Limited is a Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC) focused on Power Sector Financing and Development in India. It provides financial assistance to various entities in the power sector.
- REC's funding contributes to lighting every fourth bulb in India.



### **REVIEW QUESTIONS**

- 1. Which Technology Company Launched The DigiKavach Program
- A. Microsoft
- B. Google
- C. Apple
- D. Amazon

**ANSWER: B** 

- 2. The Primary Focus Of Google's Digi Kavach Program
- A. Promoting Online Gaming
- B. Tackling Online Financial Frauds
- C. Enhancing Social Media Presence
- D. Developing Mobile Apps

**ANSWER: B** 

- 3. What Is "Bharat Tex 2024"
- A. Bureau Of Energy Efficiency
- B. Indian Space Research Organisation
- C. Ministry Of Renewable Energy
- D. Central Pollution Control Board

**ANSWER: A** 

### 4. Organization Responsible For Star Labelling Scheme For PV Modules In India

- A. Ministry Of Power
- B. Rural Electrification Corporation Limited
- C. Indian Institute Of Directors
- D. Bureau Of Energy Efficiency

**ANSWER: B** 

### 5. When Is World Statistics Day Celebrated

- A. October 20th
- B. October 29th
- C. October 25<sup>th</sup>
- D. October 28<sup>th</sup>

**ANSWER: A** 

### 6. Who Has Been Roped In By Puma As Its Brand Ambassador

- A. Rohit Sharma
- B. Virat Kohli
- C. Mohammed Shami
- D. Jasprit Bumrah

ANSWER: C

### 7. Name Of The Potential Cyclonic Storm Forming In The Arabian Sea

- A. Cyclone Nisarga
- B. Cyclone Tej
- C. Cyclone Biparjoy
- D. Cyclone Asani

**ANSWER: B** 

# 8. Which Company Is Investing ₹150 Crore To Acquire A 27% Stake In Freight Tiger

- A. Mahindra & Mahindra
- B. Ashok Leyland
- C. Maruti Suzuki
- D. Tata Motors

**ANSWER: D** 

# 9. Which Two Companies Have Partnered To Produce Wearable Devices Based On RISC-V Technology

- A. Apple and Microsoft
- B. Samsung and Sony
- C. Google and Qualcomm
- D. Facebook and Amazon

**ANSWER: C** 

### 10. What Does The Acronym "IDF" Stand For In The Context Of Israel

- A. Israel Defense Foundation
- B. Israel Defense Forces
- C. International Defense Federation
- D. Independent Defense Fraternity

**ANSWER: B** 

# 11.MeitY Signed 3 MOU's With Which Tech Giant For AI, Semiconductor Technology & Quantum Computing In India

- A. Microsoft
- B. Google
- C. Apple
- D. IBM

**ANSWER: C** 

### 12. Which Country Has Imposed 1st Ever 'Space Debris Penalty' On A Company

- A. China
- B. USA
- C. Russia
- D. Germany

**ANSWER:B** 

### 13. Who Has Been Elected To The Board Of The International Dairy Federation

- A. Dr. Ramesh Kumar
- B. Dr. Meenesh Shah
- C. Dr. Priya Patel
- D. Dr. Sanjay Gupta

**ANSWER: B** 

### 14. The Term "Draconid" That Was Recently In News, Is Related To

- A. Defence System
- B. Meteor Showers
- C. Software Bug
- D. Marine Species

**ANSWER: B** 

### 15. What Is The Boma Technique Commonly Used In Wildlife Conservation

- A. A Method For Capturing And Relocating Wild Animals
- B. A Software Tool For Tracking Animal Populations
- C. A Traditional African Method For Hunting
- D. A Technique For Monitoring Bird Migrations

**ANSWER: A** 

# **16.Which State Is The Host Of The Humanitarian Assistance And Disaster Relief Exercise**

- A. Andhra Pradesh
- B. Goa
- C. Maharashtra
- D. Punjab

**ANSWER: B** 



#### 17. Multi-Agency Center Is Associated With Union Ministry

- A. Ministry of External Affairs
- B. Ministry of Home Affairs
- C. Ministry of Finance
- D. Ministry of Corporate Affairs

**ANSWFR: B** 

# 18. Which State Announced A New Samadhan Scheme With Waivers And Concessions For Traders

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Odisha
- C. Telangana
- D. Karnataka

**ANSWER: A** 

# 19. Which Airways Signed Agreement With SpaceX To Make Starlink WIFI Available To Every Passenger In The Sky At No Cost

- A. Qatar Airways
- B. All Nippon Airways
- C. Singapore Airlines
- D. British Airways

**ANSWER: A** 

### 20. Which Institution Released The 'Gender Snapshot 2023 Report

- A. United Nations
- B. IMF
- C. World Bank
- D. WEF

**ANSWER: A** 

