## **Expected Questions from October 2018 Current Affairs**

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- RBI recently announced to inject how much amount into the system through purchase of government bonds in October? – 36000 crore
- 2. Name the first Indian state to offer a Wage Compensation Scheme for pregnant women working in the tea gardens of the state. **Assam**
- 3. Which state launched India's first Wage Compensation Scheme for pregnant women working in the tea gardens of the state? **Assam**
- 4. With which nation did India sign 17 MoUs in various fields including agriculture, Tourism, combating illicit trafficking, health and medical science and pharmaceuticals? **Uzebekistan**
- 5. US and Canada signed a new trade deal replacing which scheme? North American Free Trade Agreement
- 6. With which nation did USA and Mexico sign a new trade deal to replace North American Free Trade Agreement? Canada
- 7. Who was recently appointed as chief economist of International Monetary Fund? Gita Gopinath
- 8. 8th Asian Yoga Sports Championship was organised by Asian Yoga Federation in which city? Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala
- 9. Who among the following was awarded the 2018 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine? James P. Allison and Tasuku Honjo
- 10. 2018 World Habitat Day was observed across the world on \_\_\_\_\_. October 1
- 11. World Habitat Day is observed on \_\_\_\_\_. First Monday of October
- 12. What was the theme of 2018 World Habitat Day? Municipal Solid Waste Management
- **13.** International Day of Older Persons was observed across the world on \_\_\_\_\_\_. **October 1**
- 14. What was the theme of 2018 International Day of Older Persons? Celebrating Older Human Rights champions
- 15. Which of the following state did recently sign a MoU with University of Southern California on Artificial Intelligence? Maharashtra
- 16. Which of the following city recently unfurled the India's third highest national flag? Guwahati, Assam
- 17. Which of the following state recently launched Dravyavati River Rejuvenation Project? Rajasthan
- 18. Which Indian state launched its own food security scheme to benefit the 25 lakh poor people who were left out of the National Food Security Act (NFSA)? Odisha
- 19. National Khadi Festival 2018 was held recently in which city? Mumbai
- 20. Who inaugurated the National Khadi Festival 2018? Giriraj Singh
- 21. Who inaugurated the IndiaSkills Nationals Competition 2018? Dharmendra Pradhan
- 22. IndiaSkills Nationals Competition 2018 was recently held in \_\_\_\_\_. New Delhi
- 23. Which Indian company was the only company from India's banking and finance sector to figure in the list of the world's best-regarded firms compiled by Forbes? **HDFC**
- 24. Which Indian company ranked highest compared to other Indian companies in the list of the world's bestregarded firms compiled by Forbes? – Infosys (31)
- 25. What was HDFC's rank in the list of the world's best-regarded firms compiled by Forbes? 217
- **26.** Which company topped the list of the world's best-regarded firms compiled by Forbes? Walt Disney
- 27. International Day of Non-Violence observed globally on \_\_\_\_\_. 2 October
- 28. Who has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to China? Vikram Misri
- 29. Who has been appointed as the new President of Iraq? Barham Salih
- 30. Who received the UN Champions of the Earth award 2018? Narendra Modi
- **31.** Along with Narendra Modi who else received the UN Champions of the Earth award? Emmanuel Macron
- Which Indian airport recently received the UN Champions of the Earth award 2018? Cochin International Airport
- 33. Who was recently honoured with the 2018 Nansen Refugee Award? Dr. Evan Atar Adaha from South Sudan

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- 34. Which of the following bank launched a National Level Entrepreneurship Awareness Campaign 'Udyam Abhilasha' in 115 aspirational districts identified by NITI Aayog? Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)
- 35. Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) launched a National Level Entrepreneurship Awareness Campaign 'Udyam Abhilasha' in how many aspirational districts? **115**
- 36. How much amount of loan agreement did India sign with Asian Development Bank to expand sewerage and drainage coverage in Kolkata? USD 100 million
- 37. India recently sign USD 100 Million loan agreement with Asian Development Bank to expand sewerage and drainage coverage in which city? **Kolkata**
- 38. With which organisation did India sign USD 100 Million loan agreement to expand sewerage and drainage coverage in Kolkata? Asian Development Bank
- 39. Asian Development Bank (ADB) and India signed how much amount of loan Agreement to establish the first Global Skills Park (GSP) in Madhya Pradesh? **USD 150 million**
- 40. Asian Development Bank (ADB) and India signed a USD 150 million Loan Agreement to establish the first Global Skills Park (GSP) in which state? **Madhya Pradesh**
- 41. With which organisation did India sign a USD 150 million Loan Agreement to establish the first Global Skills Park (GSP) in Madhya Pradesh? Asian Development Bank
- 42. How much amount of loan agreement did India sign with Asian Development Bank to provide safe drinking water service in West Bengal Districts? **USD 240 million**
- 43. India and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) signed USD 240 million loan for providing safe and sustainable drinking water to which state? West Bengal
- 44. Prime Minister Narendra Modi on October 2, 2018 inaugurated the first Assembly of the International Solar Alliance in which city? **New Delhi**
- 45. Suresh Prabhu released the policy on biometric based digital processing of passengers at airports called \_\_\_\_\_\_. **Digi Yatra**
- 46. With which nation did India recently agree to boost defence and military technical cooperation? Kazakhstan
- 47. Who among the following was awarded the 2018 Nobel Prize in Chemistry? Frances H. Arnold, George P.
   Smith and Sir Gregory P. Winter
- 48. Name the first person to be stripped of the honorary Canadian citizenship. Myanmar leader Aung San Suu Kyi
- 49. Name the youngest Indian to score a Test century on debut. Prithvi Shaw
- 50. Prithvi Shaw is related to which sports? Cricket
- 51. Prithvi Shaw made history by becoming the youngest Indian to score a Test century on debut. Against which did he score century? West Indies
- 52. What does LAF stand for in RBI Bi-Monthly Monetary Policy? Liquidity Adjustment Facility
- 53. As per the 4<sup>th</sup> Bi-Monthly Monetary Policy by Reserve Bank of India what is the current Repo Rate? 6.5%
- 54. As per the 4<sup>th</sup> Bi-Monthly Monetary Policy by Reserve Bank of India what is the current Reverse Repo Rate? 6.25%
- 55. How much amount of deal did India sign with Russia for India to procure the S-400 Triumf missile system from Russia? **5.43 billion**
- 56. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has allowed state-owned OMCs to borrow long-term working capital from overseas. What does OMC stand for? **Oil Marketing Companies**
- 57. Name the recently tested Beyond Visual Range Air-to-Air Missile by Indian Air Force. Astra
- 58. How many countries did recently adopt the Delhi Declaration on Renewable Energy in the Indian Ocean Region? 21
- 59. India recently launched 'Operation Samudra Maitri' for which of the following purpose? to assist victims of earthquake and tsunami in Sulawesi Province of Indonesia
- 60. Who among the following was recently appointed as MD & CEO of IDBI Bank? Rakesh Sharma
- 61. Who was recently appointed as the Chief Justice of Himachal High Court? Justice Surya Kant
- 62. Who among the following was awarded with the 2018 Nobel Prize in Peace? Denis Mukwege (Democratic Republic of the Congo), Nadia Murad (Germany)

- 63. Nadia Murad who recently won the 2018 Nobel Prize in Peace is originally from which nation? Iraq
- 64. Denis Mukwege who recently won the 2018 Nobel Prize in Peace is originally from which nation? Democratic Republic of Congo
- 65. World Teachers' Day is observed on \_\_\_\_\_. October 5
- 66. What was the theme of 2018 World Teachers' Day? The right to education means the right to a qualified teacher
- 67. What is the interest rate of the newly launched the Sovereign Gold Bond Scheme FY19? 2.5%
- 68. RBI recently proposed the introduction of a VRR to encourage Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) willing to undertake long-term investments. What does VRR stand for? Voluntary Retention Route
- 69. RBI has recently proposed the introduction of a Voluntary Retention Route (VRR) for which purpose? to encourage Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) for long-term investments
- 70. RBI has approved the proposal by which bank to sell up to 45 per cent stake in NBFC arm Fedfina to private equity firm True North? Federal Bank
- 71. With which state did OYO sign a MoU to boost the tourism potential of the state? Uttarakhand
- 72. Which of the following bank recently launched 'Accelerator Engagement Programme' (AEP) under the Bank's Centre of Digital Excellence (CODE)? **HDFC Bank**
- 73. Which of the following was recently covered under the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojna? crop loss in wild animal attacks
- 74. Which of the following state launched the Chief Minister's Sashakt Kisan Yojana? Arunachal Pradesh
- 75. Which of the following state launched the Chief Minister's Krishi Samuh Yojana? Arunachal Pradesh
- 76. With which nation did Indian Railways sign 2 MoUs for the development of cooperation in transport education? Russia
- 77. A 10-member panel set up by the corporate affairs ministry will examine the trends in digital economy, including steep discounts in online retailing. Who is the chairman of this panel? **Injeti Srinivas**
- 78. With which organisation did UN Environment sign a MoU for coherent implementation of the environmental dimension of sustainable development? **Confederation of Indian Industry** (CII)
- 79. Which Indian state has launched a website and an application for collectively analyzing the rainfall, crop situation and underground water level using modern technology? **Maharashtra**
- 80. JIMEX 18 is a Maritime Exercise between India and \_\_\_\_\_. Japan
- 81. Which state launched 'Nirman Kusuma' programme to provide financial assistance to the children of the construction workers for their technical education in the state? **Odisha**
- 82. Who has been appointed as private secretary (PS) to Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu? D Prasanth Kumar Reddy
- 83. Who has been appointed as the ambassador and India's permanent representative to the United Nations Conference on Disarmament in Geneva? – **Pankaj Sharma**
- 84. 86th Air Force Day was observed on \_\_\_\_\_. 8 October
- 85. World Space Week observed from \_\_\_\_\_. 4 to 10 October
- 86. What was the theme for World Space Week 2018? Space Unites the World
- 87. Thangjam Tababi Devi is associated with which sports? Judo
- 88. Name India's first judo medal at Olympics who clinched a Silver in Youth Olympics 2018. Thangjam Tababi
- 89. Who among the following was awarded with the 2018 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences? William Nordhaus (US) and Paul Romer(US)
- 90. Who won the 2018 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences for endogenous growth theory? Paul Romer
- **91.** William Nordhaus won the 2018 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences for which contribution? **integrating** climate change into long-run macroeconomic
- 92. RBI recently injected how much amount of liquidity into the system through purchase of government bonds? – ₹12000 crore
- 93. As per the latest World Economic Outlook report released by the International Monetary Fund (IMF), what is the GDP forecasted for India for FY 2018-19? **7.3%**
- 94. As per the latest World Economic Outlook report released by the International Monetary Fund (IMF), what is the GDP forecasted for India for FY 2019-20? **7.4%**

- 95. The National Housing Bank (NHB) has decided to increase the Refinance limit to how much? **₹30,000 crore**
- 96. The National Housing Bank (NHB) has decided to increase the Refinance limit to Rs 30000 crore. Earlier how much it was? ₹24,000 crore
- 97. Nitin Gadkari laid the foundation stone for the development work of Ghagra River as National Waterway-40 in which state? **Uttar Pradesh**
- **98.** Nitin Gadkari laid the foundation stone for the development work of Ghagra River as \_\_\_\_\_. National Waterway-40
- 99. Who inaugurated '2nd World Conference on Access to Medical Products: Achieving the SDGs 2030'? JP Nadda
- 100.
   Union Government on October 8, 2018 constituted the Strategic Policy Group. It will be headed by

   \_\_\_\_\_\_. National Security Advisor Ajit Doval
- 101. Which of the following Google product was recently shut down due to the personal data of half a million internet users leak? **Google+ (Social Network**)
- 102. Who was awarded the 'ISSA Good Practice Award' for administrative solution for coverage extension at the 'Regional Social Security Forum for Asia and the Pacific'? Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC)
- 103. Who won India's first ever gold in shooting at Youth Olympics? Manu Bhaker

104. Manu Bhaker is associated with which sports? – **Shooting** 

105. 2018 Youth Olympic Games was held in \_\_\_\_\_. – Buenos Aires, Argentina

106. World Post Day was observed across the world on \_\_\_\_\_. – 9 October

107. Which bank recently launched the India's first 2 EMV chip debit cum credit card? – IndusInd Bank

**108.** Which bank recently announced a partnership with the Bhubaneswar Municipal Corporation (BMC) and Bhubaneswar Smart City Limited (BSCL) to launch a Common Payment Card System (CPCS)? – **ICICI Bank** 

**109.** Who inaugurated the 29th Accountants General conference? – **President Ram Nath Kovind** 

- 110. How much amount did Maharashtra government approve for the Tarli Irrigation Project in the state's Satara district? **₹1,610 crore**
- 111. Who among the following launched an innovative mobile health application called 'MedWatch'? Indian Air Force
- 112. Which of the following state government flagged off the test run of the state's first electric bus? Uttarakhand
- 113. Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) developed by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) was inducted into which police? **Pune Police**
- 114. Name the Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) developed by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) which was inducted into Pune Police. **'Daksh'**
- 115. Who among the following was recently appointed as an advisor to ChrysCapital? Arundhati Bhattacharya
- 116. Rabindranath Tagore Memorial Auditorium was recently dedicated to the citizen of which nation? Sri Lanka
- 117. World Mental Health Day is observed on \_\_\_\_\_. 10<sup>th</sup> October
- 118. What was the theme of 2018 World Mental Health Day? Young People and Mental Health in a Changing World
- 119. With which company did NITI Aayog announced a first-of-its-kind Student Internship Programme for students selected under the mission? **IBM**
- 120. Name the cyclone which recently hit the coast of Odisha state? Titli
- **121.** Who inaugurated the 13th Annual Convention of Central Information Commission (CIC)? **President**

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122. Home Ministry exempted Sikh women from wearing helmet in which state/UT? – **Chandigarh** 

123. The inaugural 'Workshop on Best Practices in International Arbitration' was organised by \_\_\_\_\_\_.

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124. World Economic Forum announced its new Centre for the Fourth Industrial Revolution in which nation? – India

- 125. Which organisation launched a new 'human capital' rankings based on health, education? World Bank
- 126. What was India's rank in the newly launched 'human capital' rankings based on health, education by World Bank? – 115<sup>th</sup>
- 127. Which nation topped the 2018 Henley Passport Index? Japan
- 128. What was the rank of India in 2018 Henley Passport Index? **81**
- 129. Who among the following has been appointed as the Solicitor General of India? Tushar Mehta
- 130. Which of the following cricketer along with Microsoft Corporation announced the launch of a batting performance tracking device called Power Bat? **Anil Kumble**
- 131. With which company did Anil Kumble announced the launch of a batting performance tracking device called Power Bat? **Microsoft India**
- 132. Saurabh Chaudhary is associated with which sports? **Pistol Shooter**
- 133. International Day of the Girl Child is observed on \_\_\_\_\_. **11 October**
- 134. What was the theme of the 2018 International Day of the Girl Child? With Her: A Skilled GirlForce
- 135. Which nation has recently decided to abolish the death penalty? Malaysia
- 136. With which organisation did NITI Aayog sign a MoU to deploy artificial intelligence (AI) technologies to address challenges in agriculture and healthcare? **Microsoft India**
- 137. NITI Aayog signed a MoU with Microsoft India to deploy artificial intelligence (AI) technologies in \_\_\_\_\_. Agriculture and Healthcare
- 138. How much worth of special package did government approve for employment generation in the leather and footwear sector? **₹100 crore**
- 139. Which state recently launched Blue Revolution: Integrated Development and Management of Fisheries? **Meghalaya**
- 140. With which university did ISRO sign a MoU for setting up of the Satish Dhawan Center for Space Science in the University? **Central University of Jammu**
- 141. Name the first airline in India to offer free on-board wifi. **SpiceJet**
- 142. Who among the following was appointed as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Amway? Milind Pant
- 143. What was the rank of India in 2018 Global Hunger Index (GHI)? 103<sup>rd</sup>
- 144. Who topped the 2018 Global Hunger Index (GHI)? Ukraine & Uruguay
- 145. World Egg Day was observed across the world on \_\_\_\_\_. 12 October
- 146. What was the theme of 2018 World Egg Day? Protein for Life
- 147. With which nation did India recently sign a protocol on trade and economic, science and technology cooperation? Azerbaijan
- 148. Name the newly launched chatbot powered by artificial intelligence (AI) for improving customer services of railway passengers by IRCTC. **AskDisha**
- 149. IRCTC recently launched a chatbot powered by artificial intelligence (AI) for improving customer services of railway passengers 'AskDisha'. What does Disha stand for? Digital Interaction to Seek Help Anytime
- **150.** In which of the following UN Body Council India was recently elected? **United Nations' Human Rights Council**
- 151. Who won the UN Food and Agriculture Organisation's (FAO) Future Policy Award 2018 for being the world's first 100 percent organic state? **Sikkim**

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- 152. 2018 International Day for Disaster Reduction was observed across the world on \_\_\_\_\_. 13 October
- **153.** What was the theme of 2018 International Day for Disaster Reduction? **Reducing Disaster Economic** Losses
- 154. India's first cryptocurrency ATM was recently installed in which city? **Bengaluru**
- 155. With which state government did National Stock Exchange sign a MoU to provide access to capital to MSMEs? Uttarakhand

156. India's first India-Israel Innovation Centre (IIIC), an entrepreneurial technology hub, was launched in city? – **Bengaluru** 

157. Which city has been selected as India's first Lighthouse City for an urban mobility lab, in a program led by the Rocky Mountain Institute (RMI) and NITI Aayog? – **Pune** 

- 158. With which nation did India sign a MoU to jointly work to promote medical devices industry in both the countries? **South Korea**
- 159. With which nation did India launched their first joint programme for Afghanistan to train its diplomats? **China**
- 160. Which state recently announced a relief of Rs 5 lakh each in the case of deaths caused by 'Titli' cyclone? Andhra Pradesh

161. Who has been appointed as an advisor to BankBazaar? – **SS Mundra** 

- 162. International Day of Rural Women was observed globally on \_\_\_\_\_. **15 October**
- 163. What was the theme of International Day of Rural Women 2018? Sustainable infrastructure,

services and social protection for gender equality and the empowerment of rural women and girls

- 164. Mahila Kisan Diwas was celebrated on \_\_\_\_\_. **15 October**
- 165. 2018 Asian Para Games was held in \_\_\_\_\_. Jakarta, Indonesia
- 166. India announced to set up special desk to facilitate investments from which nation? United Arab Emirates
- 167. Agri-startup and Entrepreneurship was recently held in \_\_\_\_\_. New Delhi
- 168. The Uttar Cabinet on October 16, 2018 approved the proposal of the state government to rename the city of 'Allahabad' as \_\_\_\_\_. **Prayagraj**
- 169. Which of the following city was recently renamed as Prayagraj? Allahabad
- 170. Minister of State for Power and Renewable Energy RK Singh on October 15, 2018 launched an award scheme under which scheme? **Saubhagya Scheme**
- 171. Government inaugurated the hi-tech Central Warehouse of Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP) in which city? **Bilaspur, Haryana**
- 172. In 'Investment Trends Monitor' report by UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) India attracted how much FDI flows in the first half of 2018? \$**22 billion**
- 173. What was India's rank in terms of development of Artificial Intelligence (AI) technologies for the Industrial Internet of Things (IIOT)? **13**<sup>th</sup>
- 174. Which nation ranked 1 in terms of development of Artificial Intelligence (AI) technologies for the Industrial Internet of Things (IIOT)? **United States of America**
- 175. Which nation has set up a committee to formulate a strategy to help its businesses invest more into the Indian market? Sri Lanka
- 176. World Food Day was observed globally on \_\_\_\_\_. **16 October**
- What was the theme of World Food Day 2018? Our actions are our future A zero hunger world by
   2030 is possible
- 178. Paul Gardner Allen, who recently passed away was the co-founder of \_\_\_\_\_\_. Microsoft
- 179. Name the Microsoft co-founder who recently passed away. Paul Gardner Allen
- 180. Government recently signed a MoU with the Lady Irwin College for establishing \_\_\_\_\_. ROSHNI Centre of Women Collectives led Social Action
- 181. Which state government ensured food security to more than 8.5 crore people of the State under the 'Khadya Sathi' scheme? West Bengal
- **182.** Union Government launched national campaign 'Swasth Bharat Yatra' for which purpose? to sensitise people about eating safe food and be healthy
- 183. Government has allowed foreign tourists to visit which Indian state/UT without any restrictions? Andaman and Nicobar Islands
- 184. Who was elected as the Chairman of Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI)? Nimesh Shah
- 185. Who has been appointed as the Director General of Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR)
- and Secretary of the Department of Scientific and Research (DSIR)? Dr Shekhar Mande
- 186. Who won the Britain's renowned Man Booker Prize 2018? Irish Author Anna Burns

187. Irish Author Anna Burns on October 16, 2018 won the Britain's renowned Man Booker Prize 2018 for . – Milkman 188. Who among the following was honoured with the 2018 Hridaynath Award for Lifetime Achievement? - Mohammed Zahur Khayyam Hashmi Which organisation will send a spacecraft for Mercury to determine whether the plant, which is the 189. closest to the Sun, contains water? - European Space Agency 190. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) released operational guidelines to facilitate payments among prepaid instruments (PPI) such as \_\_\_\_\_. – Mobile Wallets The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) released operational guidelines to facilitate payments among 191. . – prepaid instruments (PPI) 192. As per RBI guidelines, Inter-operability among mobile wallets, and between bank account and e-wallet would be enabled through \_\_\_\_\_. - UPI System 12th Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) was held in \_\_\_\_\_. – Brussels, Belgium 193. What was India's rank in the Global Competitiveness Index 2018? - 58th 194. Which nation topped the Global Competitiveness Index 2018? - United States of America 195. Who released the 2018 Global Competitiveness Index? - World Economic Forum 196. India's first railway station inside tunnel to come up in \_\_\_\_\_. – Himachal Pradesh 197. Council of Scientific and Industrial Research - Indian Institute of Toxicology Research (CSIR-IITR) of 198. Lucknow developed an innovative technology for "Drinking Water Disinfection System" with Trade name \_ - OneerTM 199. Council of Scientific and Industrial Research - Indian Institute of Toxicology Research (CSIR-IITR) of Lucknow developed OneerTM for \_\_\_\_\_\_. – Drinking Water Disinfection System 200. ND Tiwari, who recently passed away was the former chief minister of . - Uttarakhand Which Indian organisation has entered into a partnership with the Hiroshima government for co-201. creating a Japan-India IT Corridor? – NASSCOM 202. With which nation did India sign a MoU for the appointment of a private Port Operator for the Operation and Maintenance of Sittwe Port? – Myanmar 203. With which Indian sate did 1Bridge and Facebook sign a MoU for a project on empowering young entrepreneurs? – Andhra Pradesh 204. What amount of plan has been drawn up for electrification of all railway lines across the country? -₹35,000 crore 205. The National Police Commemoration Day is observed on \_\_\_\_\_. – 21 October 206. Prime Minister Narendra Modi on October 21, 2018 dedicated the National Police Memorial to the nation. It is situated in . – New Delhi 207. PM Narendra Modi recently announced an award after Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose to honor - those involved in disaster response operations. Four Himalayan peaks near Gangotri glacier have been named after . – Atal Bihari Vajpayee 208. 209. Which state launched the Chief Minister's Urban Leaders Fellowship Programme? – Delhi www.exampundit.in 210. Who has been elected as the Treasurer of the World Steel Association? - Sajjan Jindal What was India's rank in the 2018 Melbourne Mercer Global Pension Index? – 33 211. Which nation topped the 2018 Melbourne Mercer Global Pension Index? – Netherlands 212. Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the 'Main Nahin Hum' portal and mobile application for which 213. purpose? – IT professionals for social cause efforts The first trilateral meeting between India, Afghanistan and Iran of the Coordination Council of the 214. Chabahar agreement took place on October 23, 2018 in \_\_\_\_\_. – Tehran 215. The Government has decided to increase the supply of Onion in which state from the buffer stock? – Delhi According to Government Data how many products have been registered as geographical indications 216. (GI) so far? - 326 217. India's first luxury cruise ship service was launched between \_\_\_\_\_\_. – Mumbai and Goa

218. The Supreme Court on October 24, 2018 ruled that no Bharat Stage-IV vehicle shall be sold across the country with effect from \_\_\_\_\_. – April 1, 2020

219. The Water, Energy, Technology and Environment Exhibition (WETEX 2018) was held in \_\_\_\_\_. – Dubai

220. Who was recently conferred with the 2018 Seoul Peace Prize? – Prime Minister Narendra Modi

221. The Kleinman Center for Energy Policy of the University of Pennsylvania School of Design awarded its fourth annual Carnot Prize to \_\_\_\_\_\_. – **Piyush Goyal** 

222. Which initiative won the top United Nations Investment Promotion Award in recognition of its efforts to boost investments in the renewable energy sector? – **The 'Invest India' initiative** 

223. Which country recently announced to launch its own 'artificial moon' by 2020? – China

224. World's longest sea bridge recently opened in which country? – **China** 

225. United Nations Day was observed across the world on \_\_\_\_\_. – **24 October** 

226. What was the theme of 2018 United Nations Day? – Traditions of Peace and Non-violence

**227.** Which bank recently announced the launch of its first 'Vyapaar Express' – MSME Carnival? – **YES Bank** 

228. With which organisation did National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM) sign a MoU to boost SME ecosystem? – **Dubai Internet City** 

229. IDFC Bank has proposed to change its name to \_\_\_\_\_\_ after merging with Capital First. – 'IDFC First Bank Ltd'

230. Which bank recently launched a co-branded prepaid card for the citizens of Puducherry Smart City? – **YES Bank** 

231. Yes Bank recently launched a co-branded prepaid card for the citizens of \_\_\_\_\_. – Puducherry Smart
 City

232. Government gave its approval for the creation of a special Fisheries and Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Fund (FIDF). What is the estimated size of the fund? – **₹7522** 

233. What is the name of India's first 'Made in India' engineless train? – Train 18

234. Which institute has developed India's first 3D printing construction technology and successfully built the first 3D printed structure? – **IIT Madras** 

235. With which company did BSNL sign a MoU to jointly explore opportunities in the public safety arena in the country? – **Nokia** 

236. With which state did Khan Academy of India sign a MoU to bring the advantage of e-learning to the state? – Kerala

237. Who has been appointed as the new Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Paytm Payments Bank? – Satish Kumar Gupta

238. Who has appointed as first-ever female President of Ethiopia? – Sahle-Work Zewde

239. Sahle-Work Zewde was recently elected as the first ever female president of which nation? – **Ethiopia** 

240. Global Agriculture Leadership Summit 2018 was held in \_\_\_\_\_. – New Delhi

- 241. World Development Information Day is observed on \_\_\_\_\_. **24 October**
- 242. Who recently became the fastest batsman to score 10,000 runs in one-day internationals? Virat Kohli
- 243. Virat Kohli became the fastest batsman to score 10,000 runs in one-day internationals. He achieved this feat against which team? West Indies
- 244. How much amount of liquidity did RBI announce to inject into system via open market operations in November 2018? **₹40000 crore**

245. With which state did Amazon sign a MoU for separate small and micro entrepreneurship web page? – Maharashtra

- 246. Which of the following state recently signed four MoUs with Israeli institutions to address issues of farmers and depleting groundwater level in the state? **Punjab**
- 247. With which nation India recently signed several milestone agreements for enhancing inland and coastal waterways connectivity for trade and cruise movements? **Bangladesh**
- 248. Prime Minister Narendra Modi on October 26, 2018 inaugurated Krishi Kumbha 2018 in which city? Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh

249. The 5th edition of Women of India National Organic Fest 2018 was recently organized in \_\_\_\_\_. – New Delhi Government recently launched the web portal of SPARC scheme for which purpose? - to boost 250. research ecosystem in India 251. Government recently launched the web portal of the scheme SPARC. What does SPARC stand for? -Scheme for Promotion of Academic and Research Collaboration 252. What is the total cost of Scheme for Promotion of Academic and Research Collaboration (SPARC)? -₹418 crore Government recently announced to set up National Sports Stadium for differently-abled in which 253. state? – Meghalaya 254. Pooja Dhanda is associated with which sports? - Wrestling 255. Who has been appointed Inspector General (IG) of Border Security Force (BSF)? - YB Khurania 256. Who has been made interim director of the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)? - M Nageswar Rao 257. Which country won the Commonwealth Association for Public Administration and Management Award (CAPAM) 2018? - India Which bank recently announced to form a Joint Venture with Hitachi for establishing card acceptance 258. and digital payments platform in India? - State Bank of India State Bank of India announced to form a Joint Venture with which company for establishing card 259. acceptance and digital payments platform in India? - Hitachi 260. India's first container movement on inland waterways began with cargo from \_\_\_\_\_. – PepsiCo Which company recently signed a MoU with Rakuten for building next-generation (4G and 5G) 261. software-defined network laboratories in Bengaluru and Tokyo? - Tech Mahindra 262. Which software company has partnered with Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) to train small and medium enterprises (SMEs) and entrepreneurs on using the messaging platform to connect with customers and growing their businesses? - Whatsapp 263. India's first engine-less train Train 18 is developed at a cost of \_\_\_\_\_. – ₹100 crore 264. Indian Railways announced to make the world's highest railway line named \_\_\_\_\_\_. – Bilaspur-Manali-Leh Indian Railways to make the world's highest railway line at a height of \_\_\_\_\_\_. - 5360 meters 265. 266. Which Indian airline recently used India's first TaxiBot? - SpiceJet 267. The 10th Edition of BIOFACH INDIA, the largest show on the "Organic Sector" was held in \_\_\_\_\_. – New Delhi 268. Which Indian university recently announced to launch its community radio station? - Jawaharlal Nehru University 269. What amount of donation did India make for a peacekeeping initiative at the UN? - 3 lakh dollars 270. Who recently sworn in as the new Chief Justice of the Gauhati High Court? - Justice Ajjikuttira Somaiah Bopanna 271. Who has been re-elected as the President of Ireland? – Michael D Higgins 272. Michael D Higgins has been re-elected as the President of which country? – Ireland Jair Bolsonaro won the presidential election of . – Brazil 273. Which company recently acquired Red Hat, the largest distributor of the popular open-source 274. operating system Linux? – IBM IBM acquired Red Hat, the largest distributor of the popular open-source operating system Linux for 275. what amount? – \$34 billion Which nation has slapped Facebook with a fine worth 500,000 pounds for its behaviour in the 276. Cambridge Analytica scandal? – United Kingdom Who won the Asian Champions Trophy 2018? - India and Pakistan 277. 278. Who was posthumously announced as one of the winners of the UN Human Rights Prize 2018? -Pakistani Human Rights Activist Asma Jahangir 279. The Vigilance Awareness Week is observed across the country from \_\_\_\_\_. – from 29th October to **3rd November** 

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- 280. What is the theme of 2018 Vigilance Awareness Week? - 'Eradicate Corruption - Build a New India' 281. Madan Lal Khurana who recently passed away was a former chief minister of . – **Delhi** 282. Which bank has entered into an exclusive partnership with 'Amazon Pay' to launch a co-branded credit card? - ICICI Bank 283. ICICI Bank has entered into an exclusive partnership with which e-commerce company to launch cobranded credit card? - Amazon 284. As per the new ATM cash withdrawal rules for SBI account holders what is the withdrawal limit Classic Debit Card Holders? - ₹20,000 As per the new ATM cash withdrawal rules for SBI account holders what is the withdrawal limit 285. Maestro Debit Card Holders? - ₹40,000 The government has approved the construction of how many houses in urban areas under the 286. Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana? - 2 lakhs 287. How much amount of Currency Swap Agreement did India and Japan sign that will boost Indian economy as it encounters a steep drop in the rupee's value? - USD 75 billion The foundation stone for India's largest Dry Dock was laid by Union Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari 288. . – Cochin Shipyard, Kerala in 289. Foreign investors pulled out how much amount from the Indian capital markets in October 2018? - Rs 35,600 crore 290. The Executive Committee (EC) of the National Mission for Clean Ganga on October 29, 2018 approved 12 projects worth how much under the Namami Gange programme? - 929 crore 291. The 'statue of unity' is dedicated to \_\_\_\_\_. - Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel What is the height of the world's tallest statue 'Statue of Unity'? - 182 meters (597 ft) 292. PM Narendra Modi unveiled the world's tallest statue 'Statue of Unity' in which state? - Gujarat 293. 294. At what cost did Indian government make the world's tallest statue 'Statue of Unity'? – ₹2989 crore 295. Which state announced creation of a world-class and India's first 'Justice City'? - Andhra Pradesh 296. With which nation did India establish a joint commission to review all bilateral matters, as well as regional and global issues of mutual interest? - Qatar 297. 5th National Summit on Good and Replicable Practices and Innovations in Public Health Care Systems in India began in \_\_\_\_\_\_. – Kaziranga, Assam 298. Which state recently signed an agreement with Uttarakhand to strengthen inter-state bus services? -**Uttar Pradesh** 299. Which Indian ballistic missile was recently tested for night trial? – Agni 1 Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on October 31, 2018 flagged off the 'Run for Unity' in \_\_\_\_ 300. Chennai, Tamil Nadu 301. What was India's rank in 2018 Ease of Doing Business Index? - 77<sup>th</sup> 302. Which nation topped the Ease of Doing Business Index 2018? - New Zealand 303. Which nation launched the world's first Sovereign Blue Bond? – Seychelles 304. Republic of Seychelles on October 29, 2018 launched the world's first Sovereign Blue Bond with
  - assistan<mark>ce</mark> from \_\_\_\_\_. World Bank
  - 305. Who sworn in as the Chief Justice of the Bombay High Court? Justice Naresh Harishchandra Patil
  - 306. Who will be conferred with the 2018 Gleitsman Award by Harvard University? Malala Yousufzai
  - 307. Rashtriya Ekta Diwas/National Unity Day is observed on \_\_\_\_. **31 October**