Quiz Date: 19th March 2021

Q1. RBI has imposed Rs 2 crores penalty on which bank for paying commission to employees?

- (a) Punjab National Bank
- (b) State Bank of India
- (c) Union Bank of India
- (d) Central Bank of India
- (e) Allahabad Bank

Q2. Which city has been ranked as the most polluted capital city globally according to the 'World Air Quality Report, 2020'?

- (a) Delhi
- (b) Kathmandu
- (c) Dhaka
- (d) Berlin
- (e) Phnom Penh

Q3. Who has been appointed as the Director General of National Security Guard?

- (a) Vishal V Sharma
- (b) Shekhar Kapur
- (c) Charanjit Attra
- (d) MA Ganapathy
- (e) Dinesh Kumar Khara

Q4. How many persons will be conferred with the Sahitya Akademi awards?

- (a) 13
- (b) 15
- (c) 16
- (d) 18
- (e) 20

Q5. Who among the following political-writer will be bestowed with the Sahitya Akademi Award 2020?

- (a) Mithilesh
- (b) Rajesh Tanwar
- (c) M Veerappa Moily
- (d) Anand Raj
- (e) Sukanya

Q6. Global Recycling Day is observed on which of the following date?

- (a) March 18
- (b) March 17
- (c) March 16

- (d) March 15
- (e) March 14

Q7. In 2021, the theme of Global Recycling Day is "_____".

- (a) Air pollution
- (b) Time for Nature
- (c) Plastic pollution
- (d) Connecting people to nature
- (e) Recycling Heroes



Q8. Barrister Moudud Ahmed, who held various political offices for short stints in the Government of ______, has passed away.

- (a) Nepal
- (b) Oman
- (c) Pakistan
- (d) Bangladesh
- (e) Afghanistan

Q9. Dilip Gandhi passed away, due to coronavirus was an eminent _____

- (a) Cricketer
- (b) Tennis Player
- (c) Politican
- (d) Singer
- (e) Writer

Q10. Who among the following has been appointed as new commandant of strategic Kashmir-based 15 Corps?

- (a) Sudhir Singh
- (b) Anand Raj
- (c) Nitin Verma
- (d) Rajni Kumari
- (e) DP Pandey

Q11. India's arms imports fell _____ between 2011-15 and 2016-20, said a report released by the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (Sipri). (a) 33%

- (b) 43%
- (c) 48%
- (d) 63%
- (e) 23%

Q12. Who among the following is the author of the book "Dawn Under The Dome"

- (a) Vinod Kumar
- (b) Ankita Singh
- (c) Rashmi Chawla
- (d) Swati Pandey
- (e) Saurabh Verma

Q13. According to the World Air Quality Report 2020, the topmost polluted city in the world is

- (a) Lahore
- (b) Dhaka
- (c) Xinjiang
- (d) Jakarta
- (e) Karachi

Q14. The government has constituted an experts advisory committee for the overall execution and monitoring of the Startup India Seed Fund Scheme. The committee would be chaired by

- (a) Shikhar Agrawal
- (b) Ranvijay Singh
- (c) Vivek Khurana
- (d) H K Mittal
- (e) Prabal Bansal

Q15. Name the Sprinter, who beat national record holder Dutee Chand to win women's 100m sprint final in the Federation Cup Senior National Athletics Championships.

- (a) Archana Suseendran
- (b) S Dhanalakshmi
- (c) Hima Das
- (d) Mandeep Kaur
- (e) Mercy Kuttan

Solutions

S1. Ans.(b)

Sol. Reserve Bank of India on March 16, 2021 imposed a penalty of Rs 2 crore on State Bank of India (SBI) for contravention of norms, including specific directions to the lender on remuneration to its employees in the form of commission.

S2. Ans.(a)

Sol. Twenty-two of the world's 30 most polluted cities are in India, with Delhi being ranked as the most polluted capital city globally, a new report.

S3. Ans.(d)

Sol. Senior IPS officer M. A. Ganapathy was on March 16, 2021 appointed Director General of National Security Guard. Ganapathy, a 1986 batch Indian Police Service (IPS) officer of the Uttarakhand cadre, is currently Director General, Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS).

S4. Ans.(e)

Sol. This annual Sahitya Akademi Award has been announced for India's 20 regional languages including Hindi, Maithili, Urdu and others.

S5. Ans.(c)

Sol. The political-writer M Veerappa Moily, poet Arundhathi Subramaniam will be bestowed with the Sahitya Akademi Award 2020.

S6. Ans.(a)

Sol. Global Recycling Day is observed every year on March 18 to create awareness among the masses about the rapid pace at which our natural resources are being used.

S7. Ans.(e)

Sol. In 2021, the theme of Global Recycling Day is "Recycling Heroes". Its main aim is to recognise the people, places and activities that showcase the importance of recycling in preserving natural resources.

S8. Ans.(d)

Sol. Barrister Moudud Ahmed, who held various political offices for short stints in the Government of Bangladesh, has passed away.

S9. Ans.(c)

Sol. Former Union Minister and BJP leader, Dilip Gandhi passed away, due to coronavirus. He had served as the Union Minister of State, Ministry of Shipping from 29 January 2003 to 15 March 2004.

S10. Ans.(e)

Sol. Lt General DP Pandey has taken over the command of strategic Kashmir-based 15 Corps from Lt Gen BS Raju, who has been appointed as the new Director-General of Military Operations (DGMO) of the Indian Army.

S11. Ans.(a)

Sol. India's arms imports fell 33% between 2011-15 and 2016-20, said a report released by the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (Sipri).

S12. Ans.(d)

Sol. The Maharashtra Governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari released a digital e-book titled Dawn Under The Dome. The digital book depicts the history of the Mumbai General Post Office building. It has been authored by Post Master General of Mumbai Swati Pandey in collaboration with Orchida Mukherjee.

S13. Ans.(c)

Sol. The topmost polluted city in the world is Xinjiang in China. This is followed by nine Indian cities as the most polluted cities in the world, which are Ghaziabad, Bulandshahar, Bisrakh Jalalpur, Noida, Greater Noida, Kanpur, Lucknow and Bhiwari.

S14. Ans.(d)

Sol. The government has constituted an experts advisory committee for the overall execution and monitoring of the Startup India Seed Fund Scheme. The committee would be chaired by H K Mittal from the Department of Science and Technology.

S15. Ans.(b)

Sol. Sprinter S Dhanalakshmi beat national record holder Dutee Chand to win women's 100m sprint final in the Federation Cup Senior National Athletics Championships in Patiala.

