Quiz Date: 19th August 2023

- Q1. Which organization spearheaded the separatist movement seeking independence from India in the Mizo Hills during the 1960s?
- (a) Indian National Congress
- (b) Mizo National Front (MNF)
- (c) Assam Rifles
- (d) Indian Air Force (IAF)
- (e) All India Students Federation
- Q2. What is the main objective of the 'Lakhpati Didi' scheme announced by the Indian government?
- (a) To provide financial support to women entrepreneurs
- (b) To train two crore women in self-defense techniques
- (c) To elevate women's economic standing through skill training
- (d) To encourage women to pursue higher education
- (e) To promote women's participation in politics
- Q3. Why did the International Monetary Fund (IMF) raise India's GDP growth forecast for the current fiscal year to 6.1%?
- (a) Stronger domestic investments
- (b) Reduced chances of a US recession
- (c) Higher rates and slower recovery in China
- (d) Resolving US debt ceiling standoff
- (e) Subdued exports due to global slowdown
- Q4. Who outlined the vision of cultivating two crore 'lakhpati didis' in rural areas during the Independence Day address?
- (a) Finance Minister of India
- (b) Chief Minister of a state
- (c) Prime Minister of India
- (d) President of India
- (e) Minister of Women and Child Development
- Q5. What is the main objective of extending the Digital India project with a substantial outlay of ₹14,903 crore?
- (a) To provide financial support to rural communities
- (b) To promote traditional industries and crafts
- (c) To enhance India's technological capabilities and digital transformation
- (d) To improve agricultural productivity
- (e) To strengthen India's defense capabilities

- Q6. How many IT professionals are targeted for reskilling and upskilling under the extended Digital India project?
- (a) 1 lakh IT professionals
- (b) 2.5 lakh IT professionals
- (c) 5.25 lakh IT professionals
- (d) 10 lakh IT professionals
- (e) 20 lakh IT professionals
- Q7. What is the estimated total cost of the PM-eBus Sewa scheme?
- (a) Rs 10.000 crore
- (b) Rs 30,000 crore
- (c) Rs 50,000 crore
- (d) Rs 57,613 crore
- (e) Rs 100,000 crore
- Q8. How much is the estimated investment in the seven ambitious railway projects approved by the Union Cabinet?
- (a)  $\ge 20,000$  crore
- (b) ₹25,000 crore
- (c) ₹32,500 crore
- (d) ₹50,000 crore
- (e) ₹75,000 crore
- Q9. What is the primary goal of the multi-tracking projects under the Engineering, Procurement, and Construction (EPC) model?
- (a) Expansion of luxury train services
- (b) Boosting employment in urban areas
- (c) Elevating operational efficiency and reducing congestion in the rail network
- (d) Promoting tourism along railway routes
- (e) Introducing high-speed rail services
- Q10. Which ministry oversees the functioning of the Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO)?
- (a) Ministry of Finance
- (b) Ministry of Labour and Employment
- (c) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
- (d) Ministry of Home Affairs
- (e) Ministry of Human Resource Development
- Q11. In which Russian port has India's contribution to cargo handling been significant?
- (a) Vladivostok

- (b) Saint Petersburg
- (c) Kaliningrad
- (d) Murmansk
- (e) Novorossiysk
- Q12. What percentage of the cargo handled at Murmansk port did India account for in the first seven months of 2023?
- (a) 15%
- (b) 25%
- (c) 35%
- (d) 45%
- (e) 55%
- Q13. Adille Sumariwalla recently secured a prominent position in the global track and field governing body. What is the position he has been elected to?
- (a) President of World Athletics
- (b) Secretary-General of World Athletics
- (c) Treasurer of World Athletics
- (d) Vice President of World Athletics
- (e) Chairperson of World Athletics
- Q14. What is the main objective of the Gruha Lakshmi Yojana launched by the Karnataka Government?
- (a) To provide financial assistance to men heads of households.
- (b) To provide financial assistance to women heads of households.
- (c) To promote women's entrepreneurship in the state.
- (d) To support women's education and skill development.
- (e) To provide housing subsidies to women beneficiaries.
- Q15. What is the main reason for the Dutch economy entering a recession in the second quarter of the year?
- (a) Decrease in government spending
- (b) Decline in interest rates
- (c) Increase in consumer spending
- (d) Drop in consumer spending and exports
- (e) Rise in exports and imports

#### **Solutions**

### S1. Ans.(b)

Sol. Mizo National Front (MNF). The MNF spearheaded the separatist movement seeking independence from India.

### S2. Ans.(c)

Sol. The 'Lakhpati Didi' scheme aims to empower women by providing them with skill training that enables them to establish micro-enterprises and improve their economic status.

## S3. Ans.(a)

Sol. The IMF raised India's GDP growth forecast to 6.1% due to stronger domestic investments, which contributed to the growth momentum observed in the fourth quarter of 2022 (FY23).

### S4. Ans.(c)

Sol. Prime Minister Narendra Modi outlined the vision of cultivating two crore 'lakhpati didis' during his Independence Day address.

## S5. Ans.(c)

Sol. The extension of the Digital India project aims to advance India's technological landscape and further its digital transformation journey.

### S6. Ans.(c)

Sol. The extended Digital India project aims to reskill and upskill 5.25 lakh IT professionals to navigate the evolving technology landscape.

#### S7. Ans.(d)

Sol. The PM-eBus Sewa scheme is projected to incur a total cost of Rs 57,613 crore.

# S8. Ans.(c)

Sol. The Union Cabinet approved seven railway projects with an estimated investment of ₹32,500 crore.

# S9. Ans.(c)

Sol. The multi-tracking projects aim to alleviate congestion and boost operational efficiency within the rail system.

### S10. Ans.(b)

Sol. The Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) operates under the Ministry of Labour and Employment, Government of India. It is responsible for managing the EPF, a social security scheme for salaried employees in India.

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## S11. Ans.(d)

Sol. India's contribution to cargo handling has been significant at the Murmansk port.

## S12. Ans.(c)

Sol. India accounted for 35% of the cargo handled at Murmansk port in the first seven months of 2023.

## S13. Ans.(d)

Sol. Adille Sumariwalla has been elected as the Vice President of World Athletics, making him the highest-ranking Indian in the global track and field governing body.

## S14. Ans.(b)

Sol. The Gruha Lakshmi Yojana launched by the Karnataka Government aims to provide financial assistance of Rs. 2,000 per month to women who are the heads of their households in the state.

# S15. Ans.(e)

Sol. The Dutch economy's recession is attributed to a drop in consumer spending and exports during the second quarter.



