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What is the current Repo Rate as per RBI Monetary Policy, 2-4 May 2022?

- (a) 3.35%
- (b) 4.40%
- (c) 4.0%
- (d) 4.25%

Policy Rates

Standing Deposit Facility Rate	: 4.15%
Marginal Standing Facility Rate	: 4.65%
Bank Rate	: 4.65%
Fixed Reverse Repo Rate	: 3.35%

According to the data released by crypto analytics firm Chainalysis "2021 Cryptocurrency Gains by Country", what is the rank of India in estimated Crypto Gains in 2021?

- (a) 12
- (b) 21
- (c) 32
- (d) 41

India ranked **21st** in Chainalysis 2021 Cryptocurrency Gains by Country. According to the data released by crypto analytics firm Chainalysis, investors around the world realized total Crypto gains of \$162.7 billion in 2021

Who has won the 2022 World Snooker Championship held at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield, England?

- (a) Mark Selby
- (b) Aditya Mehta
- (c) Pankaj Advani
- (d) Ronnie O'Sullivan

Ronnie O'Sullivan (England) has won the 2022 World Snooker Championship by defeating Judd Trump (England) against 18-13 in the finals, which were held from April 16 to May 2, 2022 at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield, England.

What is the Cash reserve Ratio (CRR) (Effective from May 21, 2022), as per RBI Monetary Policy, 2-4 May 2022?

- (a) 3.5%
- (b) 4.0%
- (c) 4.25%
- (d) 4.5%

CRR: 4.50% (Effective from May 21, 2022.) **SLR:** 18.00%

What is the present Marginal Standing Facility (MSF) Rate & Bank Rate, as per RBI Monetary Policy, 2-4 May 2022?

- (a) 4.35%
- (b) 4.65%
- (c) 4.0%
- (d) 4.25%

Which organization has released its flagship publication "The State of the World's Forests (SOFO) 2022: Forest Pathways for Green Recovery and Building Inclusive, Resilient and Sustainable economies"?

- (a) International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)
- (b) World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF)
- (c) Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
- (d) United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

On 2nd May 2022, **Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)** released its flagship publication "The State of the World's Forests (SOFO) 2022: Forest Pathways for Green Recovery and Building Inclusive, Resilient and Sustainable economies".

Which state has launched the loan scheme 'Jivhala' for inmates serving sentences in jails?

- (a) Gujarat
- (b) Uttar Pradesh
- (c) Madhya Pradesh
- (d) Maharashtra

A loan scheme named **Jivhala** has been launched by the **Maharashtra Department of Prisons** for the inmates who are serving sentences in various jails across **Maharashtra**. The scheme, implemented by the **Department of Prisons and Maharashtra State Cooperative Bank**, has been started in **Pune's Yerawada Central Jail**. Bank and prison officials believe the credit scheme could be the first of its kind in India for inmates who are still serving their sentences.

Which IIT has signed an agreement with the Indian Meteorological Department of the Ministry of Earth Sciences Government of India, to develop user-friendly weather forecasting app?

- (a) IIT Bombay
- (b) IIT Dharwad
- (c) IIT Guwahati
- (d) IIT Kharagpur

IIT Bombay and IMD signed MOU to develop user-friendly weather forecasting app. IIT Bombay has partnered with the Ministry of Earth Sciences' IMD to develop climate solutions for stakeholders at the village, city, and district levels.

Who among the following has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, New York, United States of America?

- (a) Dileep Sanghani
- (b) Shersingh B Khyalia
- (c) KS Mani
- (d) Arvind Krishna

IBM Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, **Arvind Krishna** has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. He will fill the vacancy in the office for the remaining portion of a three-year term ending December 31, 2023

Which country will be the first official "Country of Honour" at the upcoming Marche' Du Film in France?

- (a) Nepal
- (b) Pakistan
- (c) India
- (d) Sri Lanka

Union Minister for Information and Broadcasting, Anurag Thakur has announced that **India** will be the official Country of Honour at the upcoming Marche' Du Film, organized alongside the 75th edition of the Cannes Film Festival, in France.

Which football team has won a record-extending 35th Spanish league title after defeating Espanyol by 4-0?

- (a) Chelsea
- (b) Real Madrid
- (c) Liverpool
- (d) Barcelona

Real Madrid clinched a record-extending 35th Spanish league title after its reserve squad comfortably defeated Espanyol 4-0. Rodrygo scored twice and Marco Asensio and substitute Karim Benzema added a goal each to give Madrid its second league title in three seasons, and third in six years.

Which state government has announced the extension of insurance coverage to handloom and power loom weavers under 'Nethanna Bima' (Weaver's Insurance) Scheme?

- (a) Telangana
- (b) Assam
- (c) Odisha
- (d) Kerala

Telangana state Government has announced extension of insurance coverage to handloom and power loom weavers under 'Nethanna Bima' (Weaver's Insurance) Scheme. The State Government has issued orders to extend insurance coverage of 5 lakh rupees for weavers under the Insurance Scheme on par with farmers insurance scheme.

Formula 1 racing driver Tony Brooks who won six Formula One Grand Prix in the 1950s, passed away recently. He was from which country?

- (a) Belgium
- (b) France
- (c) Brazil
- (d) England

Tony Brooks, a British racing driver who won six Formula One Grand Prix in the 1950s and was nicknamed the "Racing Dentist", has passed away. He was born in the **United Kingdom** in 1932. Tony retired from the sport at the age of just 29 after driving for four teams – BRM, Vanwall, Ferrari, and Cooper.

Indian Space Research Organisation will send a spacecraft to orbit Venus to study what lies below the surface by _____.

- (a) March 2023
- (b) December 2023
- (c) March 2024
- (d) December 2024

The **Indian Space Research Organisation** will send a spacecraft to orbit **Venus** to study what lies below its surface, the space body's Chairperson **S Somnath** announced. ISRO is expecting to launch the mission by **December 2024** with an orbital manoeuvre planned for a year after that. The orbital manoeuvre is the use of propulsion systems to change the orbit of a spacecraft. It enables a spacecraft to enter a planet's orbit.

Who is the head of the Delimitation Commission, which redrew the electoral map of Jammu and Kashmir?

- [A] Justice Ranjana Prakash Desai
- [B] Justice Sadasivam
- [C] Justice Ranjan Gogoi
- [D] Sushil Chandra

The three-member Delimitation Commission on Jammu and Kashmir, headed by **Justice (retd) Ranjana Desai**, signed its final order redrawing the Union territory's assembly constituencies on Thursday, a day before its term was to end, an official release said. The order detailing extent of 90 assembly and five parliamentary constituencies has been issued as a gazette notification

With which country, India has recently signed joint declaration of Intent on "Green Hydrogen Task Force" & "Forest Landscape Restoration"?

- (a) Sweden
- (b) Germany
- (c) France
- (d) UK

India and Germany on May 2, 2022, signed a Joint Declaration of Intent (JDI) on Forest Landscape Restoration between **India and Germany**. The Declaration signed virtually, is one of the deliverables of the 6th India-Germany Inter-Governmental Consultations (IGC).

Name the operation under which focused effort has been launched by Railway Protection Force (RPF).

- (a) Operation Sankal
- (b) Operation Sard Hawa
- (c) Operation Meghdoot
- (d) **Operation Satark**

Focused effort under "**Operation Satark**" was launched from 5th April to 30th April 2022 wherein 26 cases of transportation of illegal tobacco products were detected with seizure of tobacco products worth more than Rs 44 Lakhs and arrest of 14 persons involved.

Which State/ Union Territory has recorded the highest sex ratio of 1104 at birth in the country in 2020, according to the annual report on Vital Statistics based on 2020 Civil Registration System report?

- (a) **Ladakh**
- (b) Arunachal Pradesh
- (c) Andaman and Nicobar Island
- (d) Tripura

"Highest Sex Ratio at Birth (SRB) based on registered events has been reported by **Ladakh** (1104) followed by Arunachal Pradesh (1011), A&N Islands (984), Tripura (974), and Kerala (969)," the report released by the Registrar General of India (RGI) on May 3 said.

Who has won gold in men's 10m air rifle at 24th Deaflympics in Brazil?

- (a) Shourya Saini
- (b) **Dhanush Srikanth**
- (c) Shubham Vashist
- (d) Vaibhav Rajoria

24th Deaflympics: **Abhinav Deshwal** won gold medal in men's 10m air pistol. Abhinav Deshwal has won the second gold medal for India in shooting at the ongoing 24th Deaflympics in Caxias do Sul, Brazil.

Olympian Kamalpreet Kaur has been suspended by Athletics Integrity Unit (AIU) for testing positive for a banned substance "stanozolol".

- (a) **Discus Throw**
- (b) Shooting
- (c) Table Tennis
- (d) Javelin Throw

Who among the following has won the inaugural Miami Grand Prix in 2022?

- (a) Charles Leclerc
- (b) Sebastian Vettel
- (c) Max Verstappen
- (d) Valtteri Bottas

- Bahrain Grand Prix: Charles Leclerc (Ferrari-Monaco)
- Saudi Arabian Grand Prix: Max Verstappen (Red Bull –Netherlands)
- Australian Grand Prix: Charles Leclerc
- Emilia Romagna Grand Prix: Max Verstappen

Who has been appointed as the new chairman and managing director of Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd (HPCL)?

- (a) Arun Kumar Mishra
- (b) Ramalingam Sudhakar
- (c) Sanjiv Mehta
- (d) Pushp Kumar Joshi

Pushp Kumar Joshi, who recently took over as the interim chairman and managing director of Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd (HPCL), has been appointed to the Board of the nation's third-largest oil refining and fuel marketing company.

Who has been appointed as Managing Director of TVS Motor company?

- (a) Sudarshan Venu
- (b) Ralf Dieter Speth
- (c) Venu Srinivasan
- (d) Manoj Soni

Sudarshan Venu has been named the Managing Director of TVS Motor Company. Sudarshan Venu was named Managing Director of TVS Motor Company. TVS Motor Company is a well-known global manufacturer of two-wheelers and three-wheelers.

Name the person who has been appointed as new Secretary for Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology.

- (a) Amir Subhani
- (b) Tarun Kapoor
- (c) B V R Subrahmanyam
- (d) Alkesh Kumar Sharma

The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) is an executive agency of the Union Government of the Republic of India. It was carved out of the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology on 19 July 2016 as a standalone ministerial agency responsible for IT policy, strategy and development of the electronics industry. The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) has appointed Senior IAS Officer **Alkesh Kumar Sharma** as its new secretary.

Which state's chief minister has announced breakfast scheme to provide nutritious breakfast on all working days for all government primary school students?

- (a) Tamil Nadu
- (b) Karnataka
- (c) Andhra Pradesh
- (d) Kerala

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin today announced that all Government primary school students from First to Fifth standards will be provided nutritious breakfast on all working days. Coinciding with the one year of his government, he made five announcements in the state Assembly in Chennai.

Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMJJBY), Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMSBY), and Atal Pension Yojana (APY) have completed seven years of providing social security net. The schemes were launched by PM Narendra Modi on 9th May 2015 in _____.

- (a) Mysuru, Karnataka
- (b) Kolkata, West Bengal
- (c) Rourkela, Odisha
- (d) Thrissur, Kerala

Rajat Kumar Kar passed away recently. He was a/an _____.

- (a) Actor
- (b) Lyricist
- (c) Writer
- (d) Journalist

The eminent Odia litterateur **Rajat Kumar Kar** passed away due to heart-related ailments. He received Padma Shri in 2021 for literature and education. The eminent Odia litterateur Rajat Kumar Kar passed away due to heart-related ailments.

Which country's Carlos Alcaraz Garfia has won the Men's Singles title at Madrid Open 2022?

- (a) Australia
- (b) Spain
- (c) England
- (d) France

Tennis - ATP Masters 1000 - Madrid Open - Caja Magica, Madrid, Spain - May 8, 2022 **Spain's** Carlos Alcaraz Garfia celebrates after winning the final against Germany's Alexander

Abhinav Deshwal has won gold medal in men's 10m air pistol for India in shooting at which edition of the Deaflympics held in Caxias do Sul, Brazil?

- (a) 21st
- (b) 22nd
- (c) 23rd
- (d) 24th

24th Deaflympics: Abhinav Deshwal won gold medal in men's 10m air pistol. Abhinav Deshwal has won the second gold medal for India in shooting at the ongoing 24th Deaflympics in Caxias do Sul, Brazil.

Which is the first Indian company to cross USD 100 billion annual revenue?

- [A] Adani Industries
- [B] Reliance Industries
- [C] Tata Industries
- [D] Future Enterprises

Oil-to-telecom-to-retail conglomerate **Reliance**, which recorded sales of USD 104.6 billion between April 2021 and March 2022, became the first Indian company to generate over USD 100 billion in annual revenue.

Which state/UT's government will provide free sewer connections under "Mukhyamantri Muft Sewer Connection Yojana"?

- (a) Jammu and Kashmir
- (b) Punjab
- (c) Haryana
- (d) Delhi

Delhi govt will provide free sewer connections under the "**Mukhyamantri Muft Sewer Connection Yojana**". 25,000 households located in East Delhi will be provided with free sewer connections under the 'Mukhyamantri Muft Sewer Connection Yojana.' The free sewer connections will be provided by the Delhi government in 12 colonies in Mustafabad and Karawal Nagar.

Justice Sudhanshu Dhulia and Justice Jamshed Burjor Pardiwala has been appointed as Judges of the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court has a sanctioned strength of _____ judges.

- (a) 32
- (b) 33
- (c) 34
- (d) 35

Which state's POUmai inhabited areas declared to be a Drug-Free Zone supporting the state government's War on Drug campaign?

- (a) Tripura
- (b) Assam
- (c) Manipur
- (d) Nagaland

In **Manipur**, the POUmai tribe has declared that POUmai inhabited areas will be a Drug-Free Zone supporting the State government's War on Drug campaign.

Indian music composer and _____ player Pandit Shiv kumar Sharma passed away recently.

- (a) Sarangi
- (b) Sarod
- (c) Sitar
- (d) Santoor

Celebrated Indian musician and composer **Shivkumar Sharma** has died at age 84. Indian musician and composer Shivkumar Sharman playing a concert in Pune, India, in 2009. Sharma died Tuesday at age 84.

John Lee Ka-Chiu elected as _____'s next Chief Executive.

- (a) Hong Kong
- (b) Singapore
- (c) South Korea
- (d) Mauritius

As the sole approved candidate by China in the 2022 **Hong Kong** Chief Executive election, Lee was chosen as Hong Kong's next Chief Executive, taking office 1 July 2022.

Which country is hosting the Thomas and Uber Cup 2022?

- a) China
- b) South Korea
- c) Thailand
- d) Indonesia

The Thomas and Uber Cup 2022 is taking place at the Impact Arena in **Bangkok, Thailand**, from May 8. The group stage takes place from May 8 to 11. A total of 16 teams, including India, will compete in the competition this year. Ahead of what promises to be an exciting event, here is a look at the Indian Squad for Thomas and Uber Cup 2022, the live stream details, among other important details of the mega event. India have progressed to the knockout stages after defeating Germany and Canada.

A prominent crossing in Ayodhya will be developed and named after who among the following?

- (a) Shivkumar Sharma
- (b) Lata Mangeshkar
- (c) BS Yediyurappa
- (d) Siddharoodha Swamiji

- List of Some Important Renamed Places
- Hoshangabad City, MP: Narmadapuram
- Shivpuri, MP: "Kundeshwar Dham"
- Babai, MP: "Makhan Nagar"
- Shivamogga airport, Karnataka: BS Yediyurappa Airport
- Rajasthan's 'Miyan ka Bada' Railway Station: 'Mahesh Nagar Halt'

Yoon Suk-yeol has been sworn in as the president of which country?

- (a) China
- (b) Malaysia
- (c) Japan
- (d) South Korea

Yoon Suk-yeol has been sworn in as South Korea's new president promising an "audacious" plan to North Korea, and to reinforce the South's democracy and freedoms. Yoon, a former prosecutor, won the election in March by the slimmest of margins, promising to "sternly deal" with the threat posed by Kim Jong Un's regime, while leaving open the door to dialogue.

Who among the following took charge as Vice-Chair at Denmark-based Maritime Anti-Corruption Network (MACN)?

- (a) Unnikrishnan Nair
- (b) Rajesh Unni
- (c) Dileep Sanghani
- (d) Vikram Dev Dutt

Capt Rajesh Unni take-the-helm-of as Vice-Chair at Maritime Anti-Corruption Network. MACN is made up of over 165 member companies that combined represent 50% of global tonnage. Captain Rajesh Unni, Founder and CEO of Synergy Group.

Which bank has launched an end-to-end digital car loan scheme named 'Xpress Car Loans' for its existing customers as well as new customers?

- (a) HDFC Bank
- (b) Bank of Baroda
- (c) State Bank of India
- (d) Punjab National Bank

HDFC Bank, a private sector lender, has introduced 30-minute 'Xpress Car Loans', an end-to-end digital new car loan solution for both existing and non-customers. The bank has integrated its lending application with automobile dealers throughout India.

Which state/UT has launched the second phase of the Ladli Laxmi scheme (Ladli Laxmi scheme-2.0) to encourage girl children?

- (a) Assam
- (b) Ladakh
- (c) Himachal Pradesh
- (d) Madhya Pradesh

Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister, **Shivraj Singh Chouhan** launched the second phase of the **Ladli Laxmi scheme (Ladli Laxmi scheme-2.0)**. The scheme is an innovative initiative to encourage girl children to pursue higher education and make them self-dependent. The scheme is being implemented by the government of Madhya Pradesh since 2007 to enhance the economic and educational status of the girls.

Name the mascot of the Fourth Khelo India Youth Games which has been launched along with official logo, theme song, and the official jersey, at Panchkula, Haryana by Anurag Thakur, Union Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports.

- (a) Bholu
- (b) Dhakad
- (c) Shera
- (d) Ballu

In this edition of the Khelo India Youth Games, over 8,500 athletes will be participating. Five traditional games have been introduced which are: thang-ta, gatka, mallakhamb, kalarippayattu, yogasana.

2018- Delhi

2019- Pune, Maharashtra

2020- Guwahati, Assam

World's Largest Glass Bottom Bridge named was opened in _____.

- (a) Vietnam
- (b) China
- (c) USA
- (d) Japan

World's Largest Glass Bottom Bridge was opened in **Vietnam**. It is called as **Vietnam's Bach Long** pedestrian bridge, which is 632m (2,073ft) long and located 150m (492ft) above a huge jungle. As per the reports, the Asian country has opened a glass-bottomed bridge suspended above a lush jungle. It surpasses a 526m Glass Bottom Bridge in **Guangdong, China**. The Bach Long pedestrian bridge which means 'white dragon' in Vietnamese. The bridge suspends above the rainforest. The bridge can support up to 450 people at a time and the floor of the bridge is made from tempered glass.

Which country has been elected as the new Chair of the Association of Asian Election Authorities (AAEA) for 2022-2024 at the meeting of the Executive Board and General Assembly in Manila, Philippines?

- (a) Brazil
- (b) Russia
- (c) India
- (d) China

India has been unanimously elected as the new Chair of the **Association of Asian Election Authorities (AAEA)** for 2022-2024 at the meeting of the Executive Board and General Assembly in Manila, Philippines. Commission on Elections, Manila was the current chair of AAEA. The new member of the Executive Board now includes **Russia, Uzbekistan, Sri Lanka, Maldives, Taiwan and the Philippines**.

Pandit Sukh Ram has passed away recently. He was a/an _____.

- (a) Union minister
- (b) Businessman

- (c) Vice-president of BCCI
- (d) Rajya Sabha member

Veteran Congress leader and former Union minister **Pandit Sukh Ram** has passed away, his grandson said. He was 94. Sukh Ram was admitted to the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) in New Delhi on May 7. A Himachal Pradesh Congress leader, Sukh Ram's grandson Aashray Sharma in a Facebook post on late Wednesday night wrote, "Adieu Grandfather, Now phone will not ring (Alvida Dadajee, Abhi Nahi Bajegee Phone Ki Ghanti)." However, the post did not mention when he breathed his last.

Who has broken a 30-year-old record of Bahadur Prasad in 5000m, setting a new national record with a timing of 13:25.65 at the Sound Running Track meet in San Juan Capistrano, USA?

- (a) Aditi Ashok
- (b) Sajan Prakash
- (c) Avinash Sable
- (d) Vedaant Madhavan

Armyman **Avinash Sable** had broken Prasad's 5,000 metres national record, clocking 13 minutes and 25.65 seconds in San Juan Capistrano, USA, finishing 12th in a high-quality field which included two Olympic medallists on Friday.

World's oldest chess grandmaster Yuri Averbakh passed away. He belonged to which country?

- (a) Vietnam
- (b) Russia
- (c) China
- (d) Japan

Russian chess grandmaster, **Yuri Averbakh** who was among the world's best players for a decade, trained world champions and was the last surviving participant in one of the greatest competitions in history, has died in **Moscow at 100**. He won the **Moscow Championship** in 1949 and earned the Grandmaster title in 1952. In 1954, he became the champion of the USSR. He also chaired the Chess Federation of the **USSR from 1972 to 1977**.

Who has authored a book titled "The Struggle for Police Reforms in India: Ruler's Police to People's Police", released by Vice President of India, M Venkaiah Naidu?

- (a) Gita Piramal
- (b) Sreeram Chaulia
- (c) R Kaushik
- (d) Prakash Singh

Vice President (VP) of India, **M Venkaiah Naidu**, released a book titled “**The Struggle for Police Reforms in India: Ruler’s Police to People’s Police**” authored by a former IPS officer, **Prakash Singh** in New Delhi. The book is published by Rupa Publications India Pvt Ltd.

Which state has launched the ‘Chaara – Bijae Yojana’, a scheme to provide financial assistance of Rs 10,000 per acre (Upto 10 acres) to farmers cultivating and supplying fodder to Gaushalas (Cowsheds)?

- (a) Maharashtra
- (b) Haryana
- (c) Gujarat
- (d) Madhya Pradesh

India’s first organic waste-powered EV charging station has been inaugurated in _____.

- (a) Jaipur, Rajasthan
- (b) Mumbai, Maharashtra
- (c) Chennai, Tamil Nadu
- (d) Gurugram, Haryana

India’s first **EV charging station** powered by bio-gas was inaugurated in **Mumbai, Maharashtra**. This station will be expected to generate **220 units** of electricity from food waste collected from its nearby areas, mostly from bulk generators like hotels and offices. This energy plant will be utilized to power street lights and also to charge electric vehicles. It was inaugurated by Maharashtra Environment Minister **Aaditya Uddhav Thackeray**.

Union Minister for Micro Small and Medium Enterprises Narayan Rane has recently inaugurated India’s first Centre of Excellence for Khadi in _____.

- (a) New Delhi
- (b) Mumbai
- (c) Hyderabad
- (d) Bengaluru

The **Ministry of MSME** has created a Centre for Experimentation, Innovation, and Design for the **Khadi Village and Industries Commission (KVIC)** with the goal of empowering Khadi Institutions across the country. The Center’s mission is to create clothing, home goods, and fashion accessories that appeal to individuals of all ages. The goal of the **Khadi Centre of Excellence (CoEK)** is to make Khadi a worldwide, classic, and value-driven brand.

Which of the following company has dethroned Apple Inc. to become the world’s most valuable company?

- (a) Tata Consultancy Services
- (b) Saudi Aramco
- (c) Alphabet Inc.
- (d) Tiger Midco LLC

Oil giant **Saudi Aramco** has dethroned **Apple Inc.** to become the **world's most valuable company**, underscoring the recent surge in oil prices that have boosted the energy giant this year. Aramco traded near its highest level on record, with a market capitalization of about **\$2.43 trillion**, surpassing that of Apple for the first time since 2020. The iPhone maker fell 5.2% to close at \$146.50 per share, giving it a valuation of **\$2.37 trillion**.

Which Life Insurance company has launched its financial literacy campaign 'InspiHE₹-Enabling an empowered future'?

- (a) **Bharti AXA Life Insurance**
- (b) Oriental Insurance Company
- (c) Religare Health Insurance Company
- (d) Aditya Birla Sun Life Insurance Company

Bharti AXA Life Insurance, a joint venture between **Bharti Enterprises**, one of India's largest business groups, and **AXA**, one of the world's largest insurance companies, announced the launch of its financial literacy campaign, '**InspiHE₹**-enabling an empowered future, a special effort to propagate financial awareness among women as well as allow people to make good investment decisions for a stable future.

India's first EV charging station powered by bio-gas was inaugurated in _____.

- (a) Delhi
- (b) **Mumbai**
- (c) Surat
- (d) Chennai

Name the Architect who has been bestowed with the prestigious Royal Gold Medal 2022, by the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA), London, United Kingdom (UK).

- (a) Jean-Philippe Vassal
- (b) Anne Lacaton
- (c) Diebedo Francis Kere
- (d) **Balkrishna Doshi**

Indian Architect **Balkrishna Vithaldas Doshi** was bestowed with the prestigious **Royal Gold Medal 2022**. Royal Gold Medal, one of the world's highest honours for architecture, by the **Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA), London, United Kingdom (UK)**. The Royal Gold Medal is approved personally by **Queen Elizabeth II** of the UK and the award is given to a person or group of people who have had a significant influence either directly or indirectly on the advancement of architecture.

Who has been conferred with the Param Vishisht Seva Medal for his distinguished service of exceptional order at a defence investiture ceremony?

- (a) Bipin Rawat
- (b) **Manoj Pande**

- (c) Dalbir Singh Suhag
- (d) Joginder Jaswant Singh

President of India, Ram Nath Kovind conferred 13 Shaurya Chakras which included six posthumous to the personnel of the Indian Armed forces for their conspicuous courage displayed during operations. **Army Chief General Manoj Pande** was conferred with the **Param Vishisht Seva Medal (PVSM)** for his distinguished service of exceptional order at a defence investiture ceremony at Rashtrapati Bhawan. The President also conferred **14 PVSM, 4 Uttam Yudh Seva Medals (UYSM)** and **24 Ati Vishisht Seva Medals (AVSM)** for distinguished service of an exceptional order.

Leonid Kravchuk passed away recently. He was the first president of independent _____.

- (a) Hungary
- (b) Slovakia
- (c) Poland
- (d) Ukraine

Leonid Kravchuk, a former communist who helped sign the Soviet Union's death warrant and then served as the **first president** of independent **Ukraine**, passed away at the age of 88. Kravchuk was known as the "wily fox" as he rose through the ranks of Ukraine's Communist Party and take over as head of the parliament in 1990. He signed the Belovezha accords with Russian President Boris Yeltsin and Belarusian leader Stanislav Shushkevich in December 1991 which effectively triggered the Soviet Union's collapse.

Which of the following country became the first Asian country join in NATO Cooperative Cyber Defence Centre of Excellence?

- (a) Bangladesh
- (b) China
- (c) India
- (d) South Korea

South Korea became the first Asian country join in North Atlantic Treaty Organization Cooperative Cyber Defence Centre of Excellence. South Korea's National Intelligence Service (NIS) is joined as a contributing participant in the **NATO** Cooperative Cyber Defence Centre of Excellence.

Who has been appointed as Louis Vuitton's first-ever Indian brand ambassador?

- (a) Priyanka Chopra
- (b) Sushmita Sen
- (c) Deepika Padukone
- (d) Anushka Sharma

Actress **Deepika Padukone** has become the first-ever Indian brand ambassador of luxury brand **Louis Vuitton**. The news was announced by the French brand. The brand unveiled the role of a 36-year-old Bollywood actress during their new handbag campaign. It saw Padukone joining in actors **Emma Stone and Zhou Dongyu** for promotional shots.

Who among the following has been appointed as the next chief election commissioner of India?

- (a) Sushil Chandra
- (b) Kamlesh Nilkanth Vyas
- (c) Arvind Panagariya
- (d) Rajiv Kumar

Election Commissioner **Rajiv Kumar** on Thursday was appointed as the new Chief Election Commissioner (CEC). He will replace Sushil Chandra, who will demit office on May 14. Kumar will assume charge as CEC on May 15, according to a press release by the ministry of law and justice.

Who among the following has won gold medal in the women's 100m hurdles in Cyprus International Athletics Meeting 2022 at Limassol?

- (a) Jyothi Yarraji
- (b) Lili Das
- (c) Amlan Borgohain
- (d) Anuradha Biswa

In Cyprus International Athletics Meeting 2022, India's **Jyothi Yarraji** smashed the national record to clinch a gold medal in the women's 100m hurdles in Limassol yesterday.