

Current Affairs MCQs

March 2026

Comprehensive Practice Set for UPSC · SSC · Banking · Railways · State PCS

170

QUESTIONS

255

MINUTES

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Instructions

- Each question carries **4 options** — only **one is correct**.
- Correct answers are highlighted in **green ✓** with detailed explanations.
- A **Detailed Answer Key** is provided at the end for quick revision.
- Recommended time: **255 minutes** for all 170 questions.

TOTAL ATTEMPTED

CORRECT

INCORRECT

SCORE %



Questions 1 – 20

1

Mount Abu was renamed as what by the Rajasthan government?

A Abu Nagar

B Aravali Dham

C Abu Raj

D Raj Abu

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Rajasthan government renamed Mount Abu municipality as Abu Raj as part of administrative restructuring and cultural identity initiatives.

2

What is the theme of National Science Day 2026?

A Science for Future

B Science for All

C Innovation India

D Women in Science: Catalysing Viksit Bharat

✓ Ans: D

Explanation: The 2026 theme highlights the role of women scientists and innovators in building a developed India (Viksit Bharat).

3

Who won the first position in the medal tally at the Khelo India Winter Games 2026?

A Himachal Pradesh

B Ladakh

C Indian Army

D Jammu & Kashmir

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: The Indian Army team topped the medal tally in the 2026 Khelo India Winter Games, continuing its strong performance in winter sports.

4

Who is the head of the High-Level Committee constituted to review the DigiLocker regulatory framework?

A Ajay Sawhney

B Rajeev Chandrasekhar

C S. Krishnan

D Shaktikanta Das

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: Former MeitY Secretary Ajay Sawhney was appointed to head the committee reviewing the DigiLocker regulatory framework.

5

Which company set up India's first semiconductor ATMP plant in Sanand?

A Tata Electronics

B Micron Technology

C Intel

D Foxconn

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: US-based Micron Technology established India's first semiconductor ATMP (Assembly, Testing, Marking and Packaging) facility in Sanand, Gujarat.

6

India's total power capacity has crossed how many gigawatts (GW)?

A 400 GW

B 500 GW

C 520 GW

D 600 GW

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: India's installed power generation capacity crossed 520 GW as the country rapidly expands renewable and conventional power infrastructure.

7

What is the nickname of INS Anjadip?

A Sea Warrior

B Ocean Shield

C Dolphin Hunter

D Sea Tiger

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: INS Anjadip is an anti-submarine warfare shallow water craft of the Indian Navy nicknamed 'Dolphin Hunter'.

8

When will the Jal Mahotsav be organised by the Ministry of Jal Shakti?

A March 2026

B April 2026

C May 2026

D June 2026

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: The Ministry of Jal Shakti planned the Jal Mahotsav in March 2026 to promote water conservation awareness.

9

The CBDC-based Food Subsidy has been launched under which scheme?

A PM-KISAN

B PMGKAY

C PMJDY

D PMAY

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The government piloted food subsidy distribution using Central Bank Digital Currency under the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana.

10

National Waterway-2 is located on which river?

A Ganga

B Yamuna

C Brahmaputra

D Godavari

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: National Waterway-2 runs along the Brahmaputra River in Assam and is an important inland water transport route.

11

Who was the Supreme Leader of Iran killed in coordinated US-Israeli military strikes?

A Massoud Pezeshkian

B Ayatollah Ali Khamenei

C Hassan Rouhani

D Mahmoud Ahmadinejad

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Reports suggested Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei was killed in coordinated strikes during heightened geopolitical tensions.

12

Which team won the Ranji Trophy title in their maiden final after 67 years?

A Vidarbha

B Kerala

C Bengal

D Jammu and Kashmir

✓ Ans: D

Explanation: Jammu and Kashmir won the Ranji Trophy title in their historic first final appearance after decades of participation.

13

Mangaluru International Airport won the 2025 ASQ Award in which category?

A Best Airport Overall

B Best Airport at Arrivals - Globally

C Best Regional Airport

D Best Cargo Airport

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The airport received the Airports Council International ASQ award for global excellence in arrival services.

14

Recently, India launched the 'Zero Prize' initiative to reward tangible reduction in which issue?

A Road Accidents

B Air Pollution

C Plastic Waste

D Malnutrition

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The Zero Prize initiative encourages measurable reductions in air pollution levels in Indian cities.

15

Recently, Jammu and Kashmir Police unveiled which special squad for mountain security operations?

A Mountain Strike Force

B Snow Leopard

C Him Veer Squad

D Mountain Rescue Task Force

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The Snow Leopard squad is trained for high-altitude operations and security in mountainous regions.

16

The Khurda Road–Balangir railway line passes alongside which wildlife sanctuary?

A Simlipal

B Bhitarkanika

C Baisipalli

D Debrigarh

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: The railway line runs near Baisipalli Wildlife Sanctuary in Odisha, raising environmental considerations.

17

India's gross GST collection for February 2026 was?

A ₹1.61 lakh crore

B ₹1.83 lakh crore

C ₹2.00 lakh crore

D ₹20.27 lakh crore

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: GST revenues reached ₹1.83 lakh crore in February 2026, reflecting strong economic activity.

18

Deepak Gupta has taken charge as CMD of which company?

A ONGC

B Indian Oil Corporation

C GAIL (India) Limited

D BPCL

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Deepak Gupta assumed charge as Chairman and Managing Director of GAIL, India's major natural gas company.

19

The Amondawa tribe is primarily found in which country?

A Brazil

B Kenya

C India

D Egypt

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: The Amondawa are an indigenous tribe living in the Amazon rainforest of Brazil.

20

Micron's semiconductor ATMP facility in India is located in:

A Pune

B Sanand

C Hyderabad

D Noida

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Micron established its semiconductor assembly and test facility in Sanand, Gujarat.



Questions 21 – 40

21

Tomahawk cruise missile has been developed by which country?

A Iran

B Israel

C United States

D Ukraine

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: The Tomahawk is a long-range cruise missile developed by the United States for precision strikes.

22

The second edition of Bison Fest will be held at which place?

A Similipal

B Debrigarh Wildlife Sanctuary

C Kanha National Park

D Periyar Tiger Reserve

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Bison Fest promotes wildlife tourism and conservation awareness at Debrigarh Sanctuary in Odisha.

23

Tamil Nadu's first Dark Sky Park has been established at which place?

A Coonoor

B Kolli Hills

C Kodaikanal

D Yercaud

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Kolli Hills was chosen to establish Tamil Nadu's first Dark Sky Park to promote astro-tourism.

24

Who is the new Chairperson of the Manipur Violence Inquiry Commission?

A Justice Ajai Lamba

B Justice Balbir Singh Chauhan

C Justice U. U. Lalit

D Justice Hemant Gupta

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Former Supreme Court judge Justice Balbir Singh Chauhan was appointed to head the commission.

25

India's first State Innovation Mission (SIM) was launched in which state?

A Assam

B Manipur

C Tripura

D Meghalaya

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Tripura launched India's first State Innovation Mission to promote startup and innovation ecosystems.

26

The Sikkim government announced renaming Pakyong Airport after which freedom fighter?

A NB Bhandari

B Trilochan Pokhrel

C Kazi Lhendup Dorjee

D Raju Bista

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The airport was renamed to honour freedom fighter Trilochan Pokhrel.

27

How many cheetahs were released at Kuno National Park under Project Cheetah?

A Seven

B Eight

C Nine

D Ten

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Nine cheetahs were released as part of India's Project Cheetah wildlife reintroduction program.

28

Who became the first captain to score a century in the T20 World Cup?

A Salman Agha (Pakistan)

B Dasun Shanaka (Sri Lanka)

C Harry Brook (England)

D Suryakumar Yadav (India)

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: England captain Harry Brook scored the first century by a captain in T20 World Cup history.

29

T.K. Oommen passed away recently, he was related to which field?

A Political

B Sports

C Actor

D Sociology

✓ Ans: D

Explanation: T.K. Oommen was a renowned Indian sociologist known for his work on social movements and inequality.

30

National Safety Day is observed every year on which date in India?

A 2 March

B 3 March

C 4 March

D 5 March

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: India observes National Safety Day on 4 March to promote workplace and industrial safety awareness.

31

Who has become the first woman to be appointed as Superintendent of Central Jail Srinagar?

A Saba Shawl

B Rubina Begum

C Nuzhat Gul

D Mehbooba Mufti

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: Saba Shawl became the first woman superintendent of the historic Srinagar Central Jail.

32

Who assumed charge as DG Naval Armament in March 2026?

A R.K. Sharma

B B.P. Singh

C V.K. Rao

D A.K. Verma

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: B.P. Singh took charge as Director General of Naval Armament overseeing naval weapons systems.

33

Who has become India's 93rd Chess Grandmaster?

A Nihal Sarin

B Aryan Varney

C Aarav Dengla

D Vidit Gujarati

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Young chess prodigy Aarav Dengla became India's 93rd Grandmaster.

34

Scotland has become the first nation in the United Kingdom to legalise which process?

A Green Burial

B Water Cremation

C Electric Cremation

D Sky Burial

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Scotland legalised water cremation (alkaline hydrolysis), an environmentally friendly alternative to burial.

35

On which date did Central Warehousing Corporation celebrate its 70th Foundation Day?

A 1 March 2026

B 2 March 2026

C 3 March 2026

D 4 March 2026

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Central Warehousing Corporation celebrated its 70th foundation anniversary on 2 March 2026.

36

Utsav Charan Das, who passed away recently, was related to which field?

A Classical Music

B Painting

C Literature

D Traditional Folk Dance

✓ Ans: D

Explanation: Utsav Charan Das was a well-known Odia folk dance performer and cultural artist.

37

Where did BEE celebrate its 25th Foundation Day?

A Vigyan Bhawan

B India Habitat Centre

C Bharat Mandapam

D Nehru Memorial Hall

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The Bureau of Energy Efficiency celebrated its 25th Foundation Day at India Habitat Centre.

38

What is the gaur population in Debrigarh Sanctuary?

A 748

B 848

C 948

D 1,048

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Forest surveys estimated around 848 gaur (Indian bison) in Debrigarh Wildlife Sanctuary.

39

What is the total outlay of Haryana Budget 2026–27?

A ₹2,13,658 crore

B ₹2,23,658 crore

C ₹2,33,658 crore

D ₹2,43,658 crore

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The Haryana government presented a budget of ₹2,23,658 crore for the 2026–27 financial year.

40

World Wildlife Day is observed every year on which date?

A 1 March

B 2 March

C 3 March

D 4 March

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: World Wildlife Day is observed annually on 3 March to celebrate wild fauna and flora.



Questions 41 – 60

41

Which Iranian naval ship, returning from Exercise Milan 2026, was reportedly sunk by a US Navy submarine?

A IRIS Makran

B IRIS Sahand

C IRIS Dena

D IRIS Alvand

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Reports suggested IRIS Dena was sunk by a US submarine after tensions during the naval exercise return route.

42

Who has emerged as Iran's next Supreme Leader after recent developments?

A Hassan Rouhani

B Ebrahim Raisi

C Mojtaba Khamenei

D Ali Larijani

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Mojtaba Khamenei, son of Ali Khamenei, emerged as a leading successor figure.

43

Which Indian team was nominated for Laureus World Team of the Year 2026?

A India Men's Hockey Team

B India Women's Cricket Team

C India Men's Cricket Team

D India Women's Hockey Team

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: India Women's Cricket Team earned the nomination following major international victories.

44

United Nations World Wildlife Day was first observed globally on which date?

A 3 March

B 13 March

C 20 December

D 5 March

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: The United Nations designated 3 March as World Wildlife Day in 2013.

45

Veteran journalist and Padma Bhushan awardee who recently passed away was?

A Prabhash Joshi

B Harkishan Singh (HK) Dua

C Shekhar Gupta

D Rajdeep Sardesai

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: HK Dua was a prominent Indian journalist and Rajya Sabha member honoured with the Padma Bhushan.

46

Nilgiri Wood Pigeon, recently seen in news, is endemic to which region?

A Ladakh

B Chotanagpur Plateau

C Western Ghats

D Eastern Ghats

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: The Nilgiri wood pigeon is endemic to forests of the Western Ghats.

47

Where will the India Steel 2026 Summit be held from April 16?

A Kolkata

B Jammu and Kashmir

C Mumbai

D New Delhi

✓ Ans: D

Explanation: The India Steel Summit 2026 will be organised at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi.

48

Which Indian state leads the country in deceased organ donation as per recent data?

A Kerala

B Tamil Nadu

C Maharashtra

D Karnataka

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Tamil Nadu consistently leads India in deceased organ donation due to strong transplant programs.

49

When will Raisina Dialogue 2026 be held?

A 4 March 2026

B 5 March 2026

C 6 March 2026

D 7 March 2026

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Raisina Dialogue, India's flagship geopolitical conference, begins on 5 March 2026.

50

World Obesity Day is observed on which date?

A 3 March

B 4 March

C 5 March

D 6 March

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: World Obesity Day is observed globally on 4 March to raise awareness about obesity.

51

India defeated New Zealand by 96 runs to clinch which title in 2026?

A ODI World Cup

B Champions Trophy

C T20 World Cup

D Asia Cup

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: India won the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 after defeating New Zealand by 96 runs in the final.

52

The 11th edition of India–Seychelles Exercise 'LAMITIYE' was conducted at?

A Port Louis Naval Base

B Seychelles Defence Academy

C Colombo Naval Base

D INS Kadamba

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The India–Seychelles joint military exercise LAMITIYE was held at the Seychelles Defence Academy.

53

Under the Mukh Mantri Mawan Dhiyan Satkar Yojana, how much monthly financial assistance will women receive?

A ₹500

B ₹750

C ₹1,000

D ₹1,200

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: The scheme provides financial support of ₹1,000 per month to eligible women beneficiaries.

54

India's first riverine lighthouses are being constructed along which river?

A Ganga

B Godavari

C Brahmaputra

D Narmada

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: India announced construction of riverine lighthouses along the Brahmaputra to improve navigation.

55

What rank has India secured in the Innovators Business Environment Index 2026?

A 52nd

B 53rd

C 54th

D 55th

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: StartupBlink ranked India 54th in the Innovators Business Environment Index 2026.

56

Who is the first Indian to win the Esmond B. Martin Award 2026?

A Dr. Krithi Karanth

B Banu Mushtaq

C Kiran Desai

D Rubal Nagi

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: Wildlife conservationist Dr. Krithi Karanth received the Esmond B. Martin Award.

57

Who announced the Hexagon Alliance?

A Narendra Modi

B Emmanuel Macron

C Joe Biden

D Benjamin Netanyahu

✓ Ans: D

Explanation: Israel's PM Benjamin Netanyahu announced the Hexagon Alliance initiative.

58

The 5th edition of herSTART was launched in which city?

A Surat

B Vadodara

C Rajkot

D Ahmedabad

✓ Ans: D

Explanation: Gujarat CM Bhupendra Patel launched the 5th edition of the herSTART initiative in Ahmedabad.

59

SEBI deployed which in-house AI tool to curb finfluencer manipulation?

A Sudarshan

B Netra

C Kavach

D Trinetra

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: SEBI developed an AI surveillance tool named Sudarshan to track misleading financial promotions.

60

National Jan Aushadhi Diwas is celebrated on?

A March 5

B March 6

C March 7

D March 8

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: The day promotes awareness about affordable generic medicines under the Jan Aushadhi scheme.



Questions 61 – 80

61

Who will become Vice Chief of Army Staff on April 1, 2026?

A Lt Gen Upendra Dwivedi

B Lt Gen Manoj Kumar Katiyar

C Lt Gen Dheeraj Seth

D Lt Gen NS Raja Subramani

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Lt Gen Dheeraj Seth was appointed as the next Vice Chief of Army Staff.

62

Who won the Formula 1 Australian Grand Prix 2026?

A Max Verstappen

B Lewis Hamilton

C George Russell

D Charles Leclerc

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Mercedes driver George Russell won the 2026 Australian Grand Prix.

63

The 8th Jan Aushadhi Diwas was celebrated on?

A 5 March

B 6 March

C 7 March

D 8 March

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Jan Aushadhi Diwas is observed on March 7 every year.

64

Which Indian cricketer reached 500 international wickets?

A Mohammed Shami

B Ravichandran Ashwin

C Mohammed Siraj

D Jasprit Bumrah

✓ Ans: D

Explanation: Jasprit Bumrah crossed the milestone of 500 international wickets.

65

India held what rank in global arms imports (2021–2025) according to SIPRI?

A First

B Second

C Third

D Fourth

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: SIPRI reported India as the second-largest arms importer globally.

66

Which country received 1,000 metric tons of rice from India as aid in 2026?

A Malawi

B Nepal

C Sri Lanka

D Bangladesh

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: India sent humanitarian rice aid to Malawi.

67

Which state launched the Cyber Safety Protocol 2026 for students?

A Karnataka

B Tamil Nadu

C Kerala

D Telangana

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Kerala introduced the protocol to enhance cyber safety among students.

68

Who was appointed interim CEO of Fino Payments Bank?

A Rishi Gupta

B Ketan Merchant

C Rajeev Yadav

D Ashok Kumar

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Ketan Merchant was appointed interim CEO of Fino Payments Bank.

69

Which Vir Chakra awardee passed away at age 95?

A K.G. George

B N. Krishnan Nair

C K.P. Candeth

D A.B. Tarapore

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: 1965 war hero and Vir Chakra awardee K.G. George passed away.

70

Where will the first Khelo India Tribal Games 2026 be held?

A Jharkhand

B Odisha

C Chhattisgarh

D Madhya Pradesh

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The inaugural Khelo India Tribal Games will be hosted in Odisha.

71

Which city will host the World Para Athletics Grand Prix 2026?

A Mumbai

B New Delhi

C Bengaluru

D Hyderabad

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The event is scheduled to take place in New Delhi.

72

CISF was established on which date?

A 5 March 1965

B 20 February 1980

C 15 April 1972

D 10 March 1969

✓ Ans: D

Explanation: CISF was established on 10 March 1969.

73

Who won the Man of the Match in the ICC T20 World Cup 2026 final?

A Virat Kohli

B Jasprit Bumrah

C Hardik Pandya

D Sanju Samson

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Bumrah was awarded Player of the Match in the final.

74

Who became Chief Justice of the Madras High Court?

A Justice Sushrut Arvind Dharmadhikari

B Justice Manindra Mohan Srivastava

C Justice Vikram Nath

D Justice J.K. Maheshwari

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: He was appointed as Chief Justice of Madras High Court.

75

First Indian economist to win the Chicago Alumni Award?

A Raghuram Rajan

B Arvind Subramanian

C K. V. Subramanian

D Abhijit Banerjee

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: K. V. Subramanian received the Chicago Alumni Award.

76

MeHEALTH mobile app was launched by which state?

A Kerala

B Karnataka

C Tamil Nadu

D Andhra Pradesh

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: Kerala launched the MeHEALTH app for public health services.

77

Which state proposed a social media ban for children under 16?

A Maharashtra

B Karnataka

C Telangana

D Kerala

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The proposal appeared in Karnataka's state budget.

78

India's first Ring Metro was inaugurated in which city?

A Mumbai

B Bengaluru

C Delhi

D Hyderabad

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Ring Metro in Delhi.

79

Who won Best Actress at Telangana Gaddar Awards?**A** Samantha Ruth Prabhu**B** Keerthy Suresh**C** Rashmika Mandanna**D** Sai Pallavi

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Rashmika Mandanna received the Best Actress award.

80

Exercise LAMITIYE 2026 is between India and which country?**A** Mauritius**B** Maldives**C** Sri Lanka**D** Seychelles

✓ Ans: D

Explanation: LAMITIYE is a joint military exercise between India and Seychelles.**Questions 81 – 100**

81

First woman to head an operational nuclear power plant in India?

A Ritu Karidhal

B Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw

C Tessy Thomas

D R. M. Nachammai

✓ Ans: D

Explanation: R. M. Nachammai became the first woman director of an operational nuclear plant.

82

Who will receive the META Lifetime Achievement Award 2026?

A Naseeruddin Shah

B Paresh Rawal

C Amol Palekar

D Anupam Kher

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Veteran actor Amol Palekar received the META Lifetime Achievement Award.

83

BCCI announced what prize money after India won T20 WC 2026?

A ₹75 crore

B ₹100 crore

C ₹131 crore

D ₹150 crore

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: BCCI announced ₹131 crore prize money for Team India.

84

Which country decided to procure BrahMos missiles from India?

A Vietnam

B Indonesia

C Malaysia

D Thailand

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Indonesia agreed to procure BrahMos missile systems from India.

85

First EU country to end mother-to-child transmission of HIV and syphilis?

A Norway

B Denmark

C Sweden

D Finland

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: WHO certified Denmark for eliminating both transmissions.

86

Who launched the SHINE app for women employees?

A MWCD

B Ministry of Labour

C NITI Aayog

D Indian Railways

✓ Ans: D

Explanation: Indian Railways launched the SHINE app for women safety.

87

Where was International Malaria Conference 2026 held?

A New Delhi

B Mumbai

C Geneva

D Singapore

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: The conference was hosted in New Delhi.

88

Syed Habibul Hasan Hameed was related to which sport?

A Hockey

B Cricket

C Football

D Athletics

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: He was a noted football personality.

89

Nirbhaya Nisha initiative launched by which state?

A Karnataka

B Kerala

C Tamil Nadu

D Telangana

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Kerala government launched the women safety initiative.

90

No Smoking Day is observed on?

A First Monday March

B Second Tuesday March

C Second Wednesday March

D Third Friday March

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: The day is observed on the second Wednesday of March.

91

BCCI Col. C. K. Nayudu Lifetime Achievement Award 2026 winner?

A Rahul Dravid

B Sachin Tendulkar

C Sourav Ganguly

D Anil Kumble

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: Rahul Dravid was honored with the prestigious BCCI lifetime award.

92

First woman combatant to complete AMAR course?

A Lt Deeksha Tripathi

B Capt Avani Chaturvedi

C FLt Bhawana Kanth

D FLt Mohana Singh

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: Lt Deeksha Tripathi became the first woman combatant to complete AMAR.

93

Jal Jeevan Mission extended till which year?

A 2026

B 2027

C 2028

D 2030

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: The Union Cabinet extended Jal Jeevan Mission until 2028.

94

Madurai International Airport is located in which state?

A Kerala

B Tamil Nadu

C Karnataka

D Andhra Pradesh

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Madurai airport is located in Tamil Nadu.

95

Cold Response Exercise is conducted by which organization?

A ASEAN

B SCO

C QUAD

D NATO

✓ Ans: D

Explanation: Cold Response is a major NATO military exercise.

96

First bank to issue ₹10,000 crore green infra bonds?

A SBI

B PNB

C Bank of Baroda

D HDFC Bank

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Bank of Baroda issued India's first large green infrastructure bonds.

97

Sabrina Wittmann became Germany's first female men's team coach in which sport?

A Cricket

B Hockey

C Football

D Basketball

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: She became the first woman to coach a men's football team in Germany.

98

Indian Orchid Festival 2026 was held in which state?

A Assam

B Sikkim

C Meghalaya

D Arunachal Pradesh

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The festival showcasing orchids was held in Sikkim.

99

World Kidney Day 2026 was observed on?

A March 10

B March 11

C March 12

D March 13

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: World Kidney Day 2026 fell on March 12.

100

World Para Athletics Grand Prix 2026 hosted in which city?

A Mumbai

B Chennai

C Bengaluru

D New Delhi

✓ Ans: D

Explanation: The event took place in New Delhi.



Questions 101 – 120

101

Who won Men's Javelin F64 at World Para Athletics GP 2026?**A** Devendra Jhajharia**B** Sumit Antil**C** Sundar Singh Gurjar**D** Ajeet Singh

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Indian para-athlete Sumit Antil won the javelin F64 event.

102

Which state approved Freedom of Religion Bill 2026?**A** Chhattisgarh**B** Madhya Pradesh**C** Uttar Pradesh**D** Rajasthan

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: Chhattisgarh cabinet approved the Freedom of Religion Bill.

103

Natural Gas Supply Regulation Order 2026 under which Act?**A** Environment Protection Act**B** Essential Commodities Act 1955**C** Petroleum Act 1934**D** Disaster Management Act

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The order was issued under the Essential Commodities Act.

104

Passive euthanasia recognized under which Article?

A Article 14

B Article 19

C Article 21

D Article 32

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Supreme Court recognized passive euthanasia under Article 21.

105

Which state topped Fiscal Health Index 2026?

A Goa

B Jharkhand

C Odisha

D Gujarat

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Odisha ranked first in NITI Aayog's Fiscal Health Index.

106

Asia Cup Archery 2027 phase 2 hosted by?

A China

B Japan

C India

D South Korea

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: India will host the second phase of the Asia Cup Archery.

107

Hermann Kulke was associated with which field?

A Economics

B Indology & History

C Physics

D Medicine

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Hermann Kulke was a renowned Indologist and historian.

108

India's first amphibious drone name?

A Varuna

B Garuda

C Avataar

D Nandi

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: India unveiled its first amphibious drone named Avataar.

109

Jewar International Airport located in which state?

A Haryana

B Uttar Pradesh

C Rajasthan

D Madhya Pradesh

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Noida International Airport (Jewar) is in Uttar Pradesh.

110

World Consumer Rights Day observed on?

A March 12

B March 13

C March 14

D March 15

✓ Ans: D

Explanation: World Consumer Rights Day is observed annually on March 15.

111

Who took oath as the 43rd Governor of Bihar?

A Syed Ata Hasnain

B Ramesh Bais

C Arif Mohammed Khan

D Bandaru Dattatreya

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: Lt Gen (Retd) Syed Ata Hasnain became Bihar's 43rd Governor.

112

India's 94th Grandmaster and first from Northeast?

A R Praggnanandhaa

B D Gukesh

C Mayank Chakraborty

D Nihal Sarin

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Mayank Chakraborty became India's 94th chess Grandmaster.

113

Which institution said income alone can't define OBC creamy layer?

A Parliament

B Election Commission

C Supreme Court of India

D NITI Aayog

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: The Supreme Court clarified that income alone cannot determine creamy layer status.

114

GI-tagged Joha Rice exported from which state?

A West Bengal

B Odisha

C Assam

D Tripura

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Joha rice is a GI-tagged aromatic rice from Assam.

115

Which state ranked second in Fiscal Health Index 2026?

A Gujarat

B Goa

C Karnataka

D Tamil Nadu

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Goa secured second position in the Fiscal Health Index.

116

Second fully literate UT in India (99.93%)?

A Lakshadweep

B Andaman & Nicobar

C Chandigarh

D Ladakh

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Chandigarh achieved 99.93% literacy becoming fully literate.

117

First LGBTQ MP elected to Rajya Sabha?

A Indira Jaising

B Karuna Nundy

C Menaka Guruswamy

D Pinky Anand

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Menaka Guruswamy became the first openly LGBTQ MP.

118

India CPI inflation Feb 2026?

A 2.91%

B 3.21%

C 3.51%

D 3.81%

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: India's retail CPI inflation for February 2026 was 3.21%.

119

Aadi Parab festival began in which city?

 A Ranchi B Raipur C Bhubaneswar D Jagdalpur

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The tribal cultural festival Aadi Parab began in Raipur.

120

Pi Day celebrated on?

 A 12 March B 13 March C 14 March D 15 March

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Pi Day is celebrated on March 14 (3/14 representing π).

Questions 121 – 140

121

Who topped the medal table at the World Para Athletics Grand Prix 2026 held in New Delhi?

A China

B India

C Japan

D USA

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: India finished first in the medal tally at the World Para Athletics Grand Prix 2026 held in New Delhi.

122

Who has been selected for the 60th Jnanpith Award (2025)?

A Gulzar

B R. Vairamuthu

C Javed Akhtar

D K. Satchidanandan

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Tamil poet and lyricist R. Vairamuthu was selected for the prestigious 60th Jnanpith Award.

123

The 'Lake and Air Watch' initiative recently announced in India is associated with which state?

A Maharashtra

B Rajasthan

C Gujarat

D Madhya Pradesh

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: The initiative was launched in Gujarat to monitor pollution levels in lakes and air quality.

124

INS Trikand belongs to which class of ships of the Indian Navy?

A Shivalik-class frigate

B Kolkata-class destroyer

C Talwar-class frigate

D Kamorta-class corvette

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: INS Trikand is a Talwar-class stealth frigate of the Indian Navy.

125

The Global Conference on Women in Agri-Food Systems 2026 in New Delhi was inaugurated by whom?

A Droupadi Murmu

B Narendra Modi

C Shivraj Singh Chouhan

D Jagdeep Dhankhar

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: President Droupadi Murmu inaugurated the conference in New Delhi.

126

The International Energy Agency (IEA) is headquartered in which city?

A Geneva

B Vienna

C London

D Paris

✓ Ans: D

Explanation: IEA headquarters are located in Paris, France.

127

José Antonio Kast recently took oath as President of which country?

A Argentina

B Chile

C Peru

D Colombia

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: José Antonio Kast assumed office as President of Chile.

128

The Freedom Shield military exercise is conducted between which countries?

A USA & Japan

B USA & South Korea

C USA & Australia

D USA & Philippines

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Freedom Shield is a joint military exercise between the USA and South Korea.

129

Who has been appointed MD & CEO of HDFC ERGO?

A Parthanil Ghosh

B Ramesh Babu

C Sashidhar Jagdishan

D C. S. Venkatakrisnan

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: Parthanil Ghosh was appointed as MD & CEO of HDFC ERGO.

130

World Consumer Rights Day is observed on which date?

A March 10

B March 12

C March 15

D March 18

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: World Consumer Rights Day is observed annually on 15 March.

131

Which film won the Best Picture award at the 98th Academy Awards (2025)?

A Oppenheimer

B One Battle After Another

C Dune: Part Two

D The Brutalist

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The film 'One Battle After Another' won Best Picture at the 98th Academy Awards.

132

Kharg Island, recently seen in news, is located in which gulf?

A Gulf of Oman

B Persian Gulf

C Gulf of Aden

D Red Sea

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Kharg Island is located in the Persian Gulf and is important for Iran's oil exports.

133

Which Indian port became the first to launch the Digital Twin Initiative?

A JNPT

B V.O. Chidambaranar Port

C Paradip Port

D Kandla Port

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: VOC Port in Tamil Nadu launched India's first Digital Twin Initiative.

134

Iran recently allowed how many Indian LPG tankers to pass through the Strait of Hormuz?

A One

B Two

C Three

D Four

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Iran allowed two Indian LPG tankers to pass through the Strait of Hormuz.

135

Who won the gold medal for India at the World Boxing Futures Cup 2026?

A Gunjan

B Chandrika Pujari

C Joyshree Devi

D Radhamani Longjam

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Chandrika Pujari secured gold for India in the tournament.

136

Where was the 12th Asian and Pacific Regional Conference (2026) held?

A Bangkok

B Kathmandu

C New Delhi

D Colombo

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: The conference was hosted in New Delhi, India.

137

The 'Araku Kouni' tribal millet-based food menu was launched in which state?

A Telangana

B Andhra Pradesh

C Odisha

D Chhattisgarh

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The initiative was launched in Andhra Pradesh to promote tribal food culture.

138

Who has taken oath as the 23rd Governor of Nagaland?

A Shiv Pratap Shukla

B Ajay Kumar Bhalla

C Nand Kishore Yadav

D Samrat Choudhary

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Nand Kishore Yadav became the 23rd Governor of Nagaland.

139

When was the RBI Digital Payments Awareness Week 2026 conducted?

A 8–12 March

B 9–13 March

C 10–15 March

D 15–20 March

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The RBI conducted Digital Payments Awareness Week from 9–13 March 2026.

140

Ordnance Factories Day (India) is observed on which date?

A 16 March

B 17 March

C 18 March

D 19 March

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Ordnance Factories Day is observed on 18 March every year.



Questions 141 – 160

141

Indian Navy is participating in Exercise Sea Dragon 2026, conducted in which place?

A Hawaii

B Guam

C Japan

D Australia

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Exercise Sea Dragon 2026 is conducted near Guam.

142

Indira Gandhi Memorial Tulip Garden is located in?

A Leh

B Shimla

C Srinagar

D Gangtok

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Asia's largest tulip garden is located in Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir.

143

Who won the Sahitya Akademi Award 2025 for 'Jeete Jee Allahabad'?

A Krishna Sobti

B Mamta Kalia

C Uday Prakash

D Geetanjali Shree

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Mamta Kalia received the award for her work.

144

Who received the Polly Umrigar Award 2026?**A** Rohit Sharma**B** Shubman Gill**C** Virat Kohli**D** KL Rahul

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Shubman Gill received the award for Best International Cricketer.

145

M. P. Birla Memorial Award was conferred on which scientist?**A** J. V. Narlikar**B** Yashwant Gupta**C** K. Kasturirangan**D** Govind Swarup

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Yashwant Gupta was honored for contributions to astronomy.

146

Who is the new Chief Secretary of West Bengal?**A** Nandini Chakraborty**B** Jagdish Prasad Meena**C** Dushyant Nariyala**D** Sanghamitra Ghosh

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Dushyant Nariyala was appointed Chief Secretary of West Bengal.

147

Matua Dharma Mela is primarily held in which state?

A Odisha

B West Bengal

C Assam

D Tripura

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The Matua community organizes the mela mainly in West Bengal.

148

Oscars 2026 were held at which venue?

A Madison Square Garden

B Dolby Theatre

C Royal Albert Hall

D Sydney Opera House

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The Academy Awards ceremony is held at the Dolby Theatre in Los Angeles.

149

Which cricketer became Uniqlo India brand ambassador?

A Rohit Sharma

B Virat Kohli

C Jasprit Bumrah

D KL Rahul

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Jasprit Bumrah was appointed brand ambassador for Uniqlo India.

150

Kusunpur, Odisha's first Smart Village, is located in which state?

A Odisha

B Jharkhand

C Chhattisgarh

D West Bengal

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: Kusunpur is located in Odisha and is being developed as a smart village.

151

Nita Ambani received the KISS Humanitarian Award 2025 in which city?

A Mumbai

B Delhi

C Bhubaneswar

D Chennai

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: The award ceremony took place in Bhubaneswar, Odisha.

152

Who has won the Mark Lynton History Prize 2026 for 'The Golden Road'?

A Ramachandra Guha

B William Dalrymple

C Irfan Habib

D Romila Thapar

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: William Dalrymple won the award for his book.

153

Bhumika Shrestha became the first transgender woman MP of which country?

A India

B Bhutan

C Nepal

D Bangladesh

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Bhumika Shrestha became Nepal's first transgender woman MP.

154

Sejjil missile belongs to which country?

A India

B China

C Russia

D Iran

✓ Ans: D

Explanation: Sejjil is an Iranian medium-range ballistic missile.

155

RBI was selected for 'Initiative of the Year Award' by which organization?

A World Bank

B IMF

C Central Banking London

D ADB

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: The award was given by Central Banking (London).

156

Who has been appointed Brand Ambassador of City Union Bank?

A Virat Kohli

B Rohit Sharma

C Ravindra Jadeja

D MS Dhoni

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Ravindra Jadeja was appointed as brand ambassador.

157

'Gaudham Yojana' was launched in which state?

A Madhya Pradesh

B Rajasthan

C Chhattisgarh

D Uttar Pradesh

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: The scheme was launched by the Chhattisgarh government.

158

When is Ordnance Factories Day observed in India?

A 15 August

B 26 January

C 18 March

D 1 May

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: Observed annually on 18 March.

159

Where is 'Bharat Tribes Fest 2026' being held?

A Mumbai

B New Delhi

C Jaipur

D Hyderabad

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The festival is held in New Delhi.

160

Nowruz is the New Year festival of which religion?

A Islam

B Zoroastrianism

C Hinduism

D Buddhism

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Nowruz is traditionally associated with Zoroastrianism.



Questions 161 – 170

161

India's rank in the World Happiness Index 2026 is?

A 98th

B 105th

C 116th

D 120th

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: India ranked 116th in the World Happiness Report 2026.

162

Who won the 2026 Stockholm Water Prize?

A Kaveh Madani

B Rajendra Singh

C Peter Gleick

D Sunita Narain

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: Kaveh Madani received the Stockholm Water Prize 2026.

163

Kalinjar Hill is located in which place?

A Mumbai

B New Delhi

C Jaipur

D Banda

✓ Ans: D

Explanation: Kalinjar Hill is located in Banda district of Uttar Pradesh.

164

India's global position in metro network size is?

A First

B Second

C Third

D Fourth

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: India ranks third globally in metro network size.

165

The film 'Shape of Momo' belongs to which cinema?

A Assam

B Sikkim

C Manipur

D Meghalaya

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: The film is associated with Sikkim cinema.

166

South Pars gas field is related to which country?

A India

B China

C Russia

D Iran

✓ Ans: D

Explanation: South Pars is a major natural gas field in Iran.

167

IOS SAGAR initiative is related to which sector?

A Space Tech

B Maritime Security

C Agriculture

D Cyber Security

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: IOS SAGAR focuses on maritime security cooperation.

168

Largest coconut-producing country?

A Indonesia

B Philippines

C India

D Sri Lanka

✓ Ans: C

Explanation: India is the largest producer of coconuts.

169

Gudi Padwa / Ugadi 2026 date?

A 18 March

B 19 March

C 20 March

D 21 March

✓ Ans: B

Explanation: Celebrated on 19 March in 2026.

170

International Day of Happiness is observed on?

A 20 March

B 21 March

C 19 March

D 18 March

✓ Ans: A

Explanation: Observed annually on 20 March.

Answer Key

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8	A	March 2026	93	C	2028
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