

Quiz Date: 02nd and 03rd January 2021

Q1. What is the current deadline set for income tax return (ITR) filing for FY 2019-20?

- (a) 14 February 2021
- (b) 31 December 2020
- (c) 10 January 2021
- (d) 31 January 2021
- (e) 15 January 2021

Q2. Government has extended the tenure of K Sivan as the Chairman of which organisation for a period of one-year up to January 2022?

- (a) DRDO
- (b) ISRO
- (c) BARC
- (d) TERI
- (e) RAW

Q3. Which governing body has recently collaborated with the UNDP India to launch India's first Social Impact Bond (SIB)?

- (a) Bokaro-Chas Municipal Corporation
- (b) Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation
- (c) Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation
- (d) Rewa Municipal Corporation
- (e) Chandernagore Municipal Corporation

Q4. The International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA) has become an Associate Member of the International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO). Where is the headquarter of IOSCO?

- (a) Madrid
- (b) London
- (c) New York
- (d) Rome
- (e) Beijing

Q5. Which institution has signed USD 10 million loan agreement with India to expand horticulture in Himachal Pradesh?

- (a) UNDP
- (b) World Bank
- (c) IMF
- (d) European Investment Bank
- (e) Asian Development Bank

Q6. Who has been appointed as the new Chairman of Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL)?

- (a) Mistu Mahajbin
- (b) Soma Mondal
- (c) Meeta Baghel
- (d) Radha Pyari
- (e) Rohan Gupta

Q7. PM Modi recently laid the foundation stone Light House projects (LHPs) in how many states?

- (a) 9
- (b) 8
- (c) 7
- (d) 6
- (e) 5



Q8. The DRDO observed its _____ Foundation Day on 01 January 2021.

- (a) 75
- (b) 59
- (c) 63
- (d) 68
- (e) 70

Q9. Who has been appointed as the new Chairman & CEO of Railway Board?

- (a) Sanjay Pal
- (b) Suneet Sharma
- (c) Amit Dhawan
- (d) Harish Kumar Sahu
- (e) Roshan Singh

Q10. The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has signed a \$231 million loan with the Government of India to augment electricity generation capacity in the state of _____.

- (a) Assam
- (b) Tripura
- (c) Himachal Pradesh
- (d) Uttarakhand

(e) Arunachal Pradesh

Q11. Where is the headquarter of International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA) located?

- (a) Mumbai
- (b) Gurgaon
- (c) Hyderabad
- (d) Delhi
- (e) Gandhinagar

Q12. Recently Shantanu Mohapatra passed away, he was a Legendary?

- (a) Dancer
- (b) Cricketer
- (c) Musician
- (d) Economist
- (e) Film Producer

Q13. _____ has been named as the deputy election commissioner in the Election Commission of India.

- (a) Kunal Arora
- (b) Vivek Gupta
- (c) Rajat Verma
- (d) Umesh Sinha
- (e) Sushil Tripathi

Q14. Who among the following is the author of new book "Vahana Masterclass"?

- (a) Umberto Eco
- (b) Alfredo Covelli
- (c) Italo Calvino
- (d) Dante Alighieri
- (e) Alessandro Manzoni

Q15. Name the present head of United Nations Development Programme.

- (a) Achim Steiner
- (b) Helen Clark
- (c) Kemal Derviş
- (d) Mark Malloch Brown
- (e) James Gustave Speth

Solutions

S1. Ans.(c)

Sol. The Central government has further extended the deadline to file income tax return (ITR) for FY 2019-20 by 10 days, up to January 10, 2021. Earlier this deadline was December 31, 2020.

S2. Ans.(b)

Sol. The Central Government has approved the extension of the term of ISRO Chairman K Sivan, for a period of one year. He was due to retire on January 14, 2021. Sivan will now continue as ISRO chairman and Secretary, Department of Space up to January 14, 2022.

S3. Ans.(c)

Sol. Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation, Pune has recently signed an MoU with UNDP India to co-create India's first Social Impact Bond (SIB).

S4. Ans.(a)

Sol. The International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA) has become an Associate Member of the International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO). The Headquarter of IOSCO is at Madrid, Spain.

S5. Ans.(e)

Sol. ADB & India sign \$10 million loan to support project preparation to expand horticulture in Himachal Pradesh

S6. Ans.(b)

Sol. Soma Mondal has taken over as the new Chairman of Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) with effect from January 01, 2021. She is the first-ever women-head of the body.

S7. Ans.(d)

Sol. Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone of Light House projects (LHPs) at six sites across six States through video conference on 1st January 2021. The LHPs will be implemented at Indore (Madhya Pradesh), Rajkot (Gujarat), Chennai (Tamil Nadu), Ranchi (Jharkhand), Agartala (Tripura) and Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh).

S8. Ans.(c)

Sol. The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) observed the 63rd Foundation Day of its establishment on January 01, 2021.

S9. Ans.(b)

Sol. Suneet Sharma, a Special Class Railway Apprentice Officer of the 1978-batch, has been appointed as the new Chairman & Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Railway Board, Ministry of Railways and ex-officio Principal Secretary to Government of India.

S10. Ans.(a)

Sol. The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has signed a \$231 million loan with the Government of India to augment electricity generation capacity in the state of Assam.

S11. Ans.(e)

Sol. The International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA) was established by the Ministry of Finance in April 2020 as a unified authority to regulate all financial services in

International Financial Services Centres (IFSCs) in the country. The body has its headquarter in Gandhinagar in Gujarat.

S12. Ans.(c)

Sol. Legendary Odia musician, Shantanu Mohapatra passed away. He was the first Odia music composer to work with legends like Lata Mangeshkar, Manna Dey and Md Rafi and also the first to work in Hindi, Bengali, Assamese and Telugu film industries.

S13. Ans.(d)

Sol. Umesh Sinha has been named as the deputy election commissioner in the Election Commission of India. Sinha, a 1986-batch IAS officer (retired) is at present serving as secretary-general in the commission.

S14. Ans.(b)

Sol. Alfredo Covelli, an Italy based author has launched his new book Vahana Masterclass for children and Young Audience.

S15. Ans.(a)

Sol. Achim Steiner is the present head of United Nations Development Programme.

