

Quiz Date: 04th October 2023

Q1. Who won the 2023 Maldives presidential election?

- (a) Mohamed Muizzu
- (b) Ibrahim Solih
- (c) Abdulla Yameen
- (d) Ranil Wickremesinghe
- (e) None of the above

Q2. What is Pakistan's current inflation rate?

- (a) 31.4%
- (b) 27.4%
- (c) 22%
- (d) 38.0%
- (e) None of the above

Q3. What is the religious composition of Bihar?

- (a) 82% Hindu, 17.71% Muslim
- (b) 82% Hindu, 17.71% Christian
- (c) 82% Hindu, 17.71% Sikh
- (d) 82% Hindu, 17.71% Buddhist
- (e) 82% Hindu, 17.71% Jain

Q4. Which Indian government agency developed the Astra BVR Air-to-Air Missile?

- (a) Defence Research and Development Laboratory (DRDL)
- (b) Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL)
- (c) Research Centre Imarat (RCI)
- (d) All of the above
- (e) None of the above

Q5. Which city has been recognized as the best city in the India Smart Cities Awards 2022?

- (a) Surat
- (b) Agra
- (c) Indore
- (d) Coimbatore
- (e) Chandigarh

Q6. Which state has been recognized as the best state in the Smart Cities Mission?

- (a) Madhya Pradesh
- (b) Tamil Nadu
- (c) Rajasthan

- (d) Uttar Pradesh
- (e) Maharashtra

Q7. The Hubble Space Telescope is renowned for its ability to provide high-resolution images of celestial objects. It operates primarily in which part of the electromagnetic spectrum?

- (a) Radio waves
- (b) Infrared
- (c) Ultraviolet
- (d) X-rays
- (e) Visible light

Q8. Which state reported the highest growth in GST revenues in September 2023?

- (a) Manipur
- (b) Telangana
- (c) Jammu and Kashmir
- (d) Arunachal Pradesh
- (e) All of the above

Q9. When was the ASEAN-India Trade in Goods Agreement (AITIGA) originally signed?

- (a) 2005
- (b) 2009
- (c) 2013
- (d) 2017
- (e) None of the above

Q10. What was the theme of the 'Shramdaan' event organized by the Ministry of MSME on 1st October 2023?

- (a) Garbage Free India
- (b) Clean India Mission
- (c) Swachh Bharat Abhiyan
- (d) All of the above
- (e) None of the above

Q11. In case of technical or transaction security issues at the merchant's end, who bears the associated liabilities?

- (a) RBI
- (b) Payment instrument issuers
- (c) Consumers
- (d) Acquirers
- (e) Government

Q12. In which year did the Government of India implement the Mandal Commission recommendations?

- (a) 1980
- (b) 1985
- (c) 1990
- (d) 1995
- (e) 2000

Q13. The Uttar Pradesh Cabinet, led by Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, has approved the establishment of how many 'Atal Residential Schools' across the state's divisions?

- (a) 12
- (b) 15
- (c) 18
- (d) 20
- (e) 22

Q14. Who are the 2023 Nobel Laureates in Physics?

- (a) Pierre Agostini, Ferenc Krausz, and Anne L'Huillier
- (b) John Pendry, David Thouless, and Michael Kosterlitz
- (c) Alain Aspect, John Clauser, and Anton Zeilinger
- (d) Giorgio Parisi, Klaus Hasselmann, and Syukuro Manabe
- (e) None of the above

Q15. What is the theme for World Space Week 2023?

- (a) Space and Entrepreneurship
- (b) Space for a Sustainable World
- (c) Space for All
- (d) Explore Further
- (e) Reach for the Stars

Solutions

S1. Ans.(a)

Sol. Mohamed Muizzu won the 2023 Maldives presidential election in a runoff vote against incumbent president Ibrahim Solih.

S2. Ans.(a)

Sol. Pakistan's inflation rate surged to 31.4% year-on-year in September 2023.

S3. Ans.(a)

Sol. Hindus make up 82% of the population in Bihar, while Muslims account for 17.71%.

S4. Ans(d)

Sol. Astra BVR Air-to-Air Missile was developed by a consortium of DRDO laboratories, including DRDL, RCI, and others.

S5. Ans.(c)

Sol. The India Smart Cities Awards 2022 recognized Indore as the best city. The city's remarkable track record, including being ranked as the cleanest city in the Swachh Bharat Mission for six consecutive years, contributed to its recognition as the best city.

S6. Ans.(a)

Sol. Madhya Pradesh has been recognized as the best state in the Smart Cities Mission. This recognition is a testament to the state's significant commitment to urban development and its efforts to implement multi-sectoral projects aimed at enhancing the quality of life for citizens.

S7. Ans.(e)

Sol. The Hubble Space Telescope operates primarily in the visible light portion of the electromagnetic spectrum. Its high-resolution images provide valuable insights into celestial objects such as galaxies, nebulae, and stars, helping astronomers study the universe's mysteries.

S8. Ans.(a)

Sol. GST revenues in Manipur recorded the highest growth among states in September 2023, surging by 47%.

S9. Ans.(b)

Sol. The Joint Committee of the ASEAN-India Trade in Goods Agreement (AITIGA), which was originally signed in 2009, convened to discuss the roadmap for revisiting the pact. The committee successfully finalized the terms of reference for commencing fresh negotiations, setting the stage for a comprehensive review of the trade agreement.

S10. Ans.(a)

Sol. The theme of the 'Shramdaan' event was "Garbage Free India."

S11. Ans.(d)

Sol. In the event of technical or transaction security issues arising at the merchant's end, the acquirer (the entity facilitating payment acceptance) will bear the associated liabilities. This measure holds the acquirer accountable for maintaining a secure and reliable payment environment, protecting both merchants and consumers.

S12. Ans.(c)

Sol. The Government of India implemented the Mandal Commission recommendations in 1990. The decision led to widespread protests across the country, particularly from upper-caste groups.

S13. Ans.(c)

Sol. The Uttar Pradesh Cabinet has approved the establishment of 18 'Atal Residential Schools' across all 18 divisions of the state. These schools are envisioned to provide high-quality education and become centers of excellence in education. Modeled after Navodaya Vidyalayas, they are expected to offer quality education to students from classes six to twelve, with a capacity of 1,000 students in each school, including 500 girls and 500 boys.

S14. Ans.(a)

Sol. Pierre Agostini, Ferenc Krausz, and Anne L'Huillier were awarded the 2023 Nobel Prize in Physics "for experimental methods that generate attosecond pulses of light for the study of electron dynamics in matter."

S15. Ans.(a)

Sol. The theme for World Space Week 2023 is "Space and Entrepreneurship."



