

- Q1. Who is the recipient of the 2023 SASTRA Ramanujan Prize?
  - **Ans:** Ruixiang Zhang
- Q2. Who is the Managing Director and CEO of Canara Bank?
  - **Ans:** K. Satyanarayana Raju
- **Q3**. Which Eurozone country experienced the largest drop in inflation in September 2023?
  - Ans: The Netherlands
- Who is the President of the European Central Bank **Q4**.
  - Ans: Christine Lagarde
- Q5. What was the growth rate of India's core sector in August 2023?
  - **Ans:** 12.1%
- Which organization has recently endorsed capital Q6. management reforms, unleashing a substantial \$100 billion fund over the next ten years?
  - **Ans:** Asian Development Bank (ADB)
- Which organization releases the Index of Industrial Q7. Production (IIP) data in India?
  - **Ans:** National Statistical Office of India (NSO)
- Q8. Which organizations will collaborate to implement the initiative funded by the G20 Pandemic Fund? Ans: Asian Development Bank, World Bank, and FAO
- Who is the President of the Asian Development Bank 09. (ADB)?
  - Ans: Masatsugu Asakawa
- Q10. Which countries are part of the BRICS economic alliance?
  - Ans: Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa
- **Q11.** What is the purpose of the windfall tax? **Ans:** To capture excessive profits in the crude petroleum sector
- **Q12.** What is the Union Budget's target for the fiscal deficit in 2023-24? Ans: 5.9%
- **Q13.** When and who proposed the idea of an International Day of Non-Violence?
  - **Ans:** In 2004, by Iranian Nobel laureate Shirin Ebadi.
- Q14. Onam heralds the commencement of the Malayalam year, known as:
  - Ans: Kolla Varsham
- **Q15.** Where did the Ninth India Region Conference of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) take place?
  - Ans: Udaipur

- **Q16.** Who won the 2023 Maldives presidential election? Ans: Mohamed Muizzu
- **Q17.** What is Pakistan's current inflation rate? **Ans:** 31.4%
- **Q18.** What is the religious composition of Bihar? Ans: 82% Hindu, 17.71% Muslim
- **Q19.** Which Indian government agency developed the Astra BVR Air-to-Air Missile? Ans: All of the above
- **Q20.** Which city has been recognized as the best city in the India Smart Cities Awards 2022? Ans: Indore
- **Q21.** Which state has been recognized as the best state in the Smart Cities Mission? Ans: Madhya Pradesh
- **Q22.** 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? **Ans:** Visible light
- **Q23.** Which state reported the highest growth in GST revenues in September 2023?
  - **Ans:** Manipur
- **Q24.** When was the ASEAN-India Trade in Goods Agreement (AITIGA) originally signed?
  - **Ans:** 2009
- Q25. What was the theme of the 'Shramdaan' event organized by the Ministry of MSME on 1st October 2023?
  - Ans: Garbage Free India
- 026. In case of technical or transaction security issues at the merchant's end, who bears the associated liabilities?

**Ans:** Acquirers









- **Q27.** In which year did the Government of India implement the Mandal Commission recommendations? **Ans:** 1990
- **Q28.** 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?

**Ans:** 18

- **Q29.** Who are the 2023 Nobel Laureates in Physics? Ans: Pierre Agostini, Ferenc Krausz, and Anne L'Huillier
- **Q30.** What is the theme for World Space Week 2023? **Ans:** Space and Entrepreneurship
- Q31. Who inaugurated the tourist facilities at Nathdwara, Raiasthan? Ans: Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- **Q32.** Which ministry administers the PM SVANidhi scheme? **Ans:** Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- **Q33.** Name the indigenous light combat aircraft that the IAF is set to procure? **Ans:** Tejas
- Q34. Who initiated the concept of World Animal Day in Ans: Heinrich Zimmerman
- **Q35.** What is the maximum loan amount that can be availed under the PM SVANidhi scheme? Ans: ?50.000
- **Q36.** What is the theme of World Animal Day 2023? Ans: Great or Small, Love Them All
- Q37. What was the Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) reading for India's manufacturing sector in September 2023?

**Ans:** 57.5

- Q38. What is the World Bank's growth forecast for India in the fiscal year 2023-24? Ans: 6.3%
- **Q39.** Which country won the most gold medals at the 2023 Asian Games? Ans: China
- **Q40.** When was the first edition of the annual joint military exercise SAMPRITI between India and Bangladesh initiated? Ans: 2009
- **Q41.** Where does Basohli Pashmina originate from? Ans: Kathua in Jammu and Kashmir
- **Q42.** Sudha Murty was honored with the Global Indian Award by which organization? **Ans:** Canada India Foundation (CIF)

- Q43. In which country did India win the South Asian Football Federation (SAFF) Under-19 Championship? **Ans:** Nepal
- Q44. How many youth titles has India won in the SAFF championships? Ans: Eight
- **Q45.** In which sport did India win a gold medal at the Asian Games? Ans: Squash
- 046. What was India's score in the United Nations' Economic and Social Commission for Asia Pacific's (UNESCAP) global survey on digital and sustainable trade facilitation in 2023?

Ans: 93.55%

047. Which organization has revised India's economic growth forecast for 2023 upward to 6.6% from the earlier projection of 6% in its latest trade and development report?

Ans: UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)

- Which is NOT a key finding of the UNCTAD report? Q48. Ans: The global economic growth is expected to improve slightly to 2.5% in 2024.
- Q49. Which government agency has recently announced the decision to keep the interest rate on General Provident Fund (GPF) savings unchanged at 7.1% for the October-December quarter? **Ans:** Finance Ministry
- **Q50.** What is the growth percentage of net direct tax collection in the current fiscal year? Ans: 16%
- What is the new role that Muneesh Kapur has been appointed to at the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)? **Ans:** Executive Director
- **052.** What is UPI 123PAY? Ans: An IVR-based UPI solution
- **Q53.** Apart from Punjab National Bank (PNB), which other banks have implemented IVR-based payment solutions?

Ans: IDFC First Bank, City Union Bank, and NSDL Payments Bank

**Q54.** Which is NOT a type of Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR)?

**Ans:** Litigation

- **Q55.** Which countries faces both high absolute and relative risks to its infrastructure from climate change? **Ans:** All of the above
- Which is NOT a factor contributing to the economic 056. downturn in the eurozone? **Ans:** Strong economic growth in the United Kingdom





- **Q57.** Who are the Nobel Laureates in Chemistry 2023? Ans: Moungi G. Bawendi, Louis E. Brus and Alexei I. Ekimov
- **Q58.** What are quantum dots? **Ans:** Tiny particles whose properties are determined by their size
- **Q59.** Which ministry is responsible for implementing the Nari Adalat initiative in India? **Ans:** Ministry of Women and Child Development
- **Q60.** What is the name of the glacial lake that overflowed, triggering flash floods in Sikkim on October 4, 2023? **Ans:** South Lhonak
- **Q61.** How long do banks have to phase out the effect of increased provisions on Common Equity Tier I capital under the new framework proposed by RBI? **Ans:** Up to five years
- **Q62.** Which festival is celebrated at Medaram, known as the largest gathering of tribal people in the world? Ans: Sammakka Saralamma Jatara
- **Q63.** What was the Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) for India's services sector in September 2023?
- **Q64.** What percentage of Gross Value Added (GVA) does the services sector hold in India? **Ans:** 54%
- **Q65.** How many experts are there in the working group formed by RBI for the expected credit loss framework? **Ans:** Eight
- **Q66.** Who financed and constructed Bangladesh's Rooppur nuclear power plant? **Ans:** Russia's Rosatom
- **Q67.** What is the expected electricity generation capacity of the Rooppur power plant in Bangladesh? Ans: 2,400 megawatts
- **Q68.** Which country recently announced the successful testing of the Burevestnik nuclear-powered missile? Ans: Russia
- **Q69.** Who inaugurated India's first high-tech sports training center for Divyangjan (persons with disabilities) named after former Prime Minister Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee?

Ans: Narendra Modi

**Q70.** What is the NATO reporting name for the Burevestnik missile?

Ans: Skyfall

**Q71.** Which Indian state recently received the prestigious Geographical Indication (GI) tag for Churpi, a naturally fermented cheese made from yak milk? **Ans:** Arunachal Pradesh

Who has been honored with the prestigious 'Bal Sahitya Puraskar' for the year 2023 by the Sahitya Akademi?

Ans: Dilip Nongmaithem

- **Q73.** When was the Bal Sahitya Puraskar instituted? **Ans:** 2010
- Q74. Who has been appointed as the new Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of the General Insurance Corporation of India (GIC Re) effective from October 1, 2023?

Ans: Ramaswamy N

- 075. What field did Katalin Karikó and Drew Weissman receive the Nobel Prize for in 2023? **Ans:** Medicine
- **Q76.** On what date is Indian Air Force Day 2023 celebrated? Ans: October 8
- **Q77.** Which sport won India the most gold medals at the 2023 Asian Games? **Ans:** Shooting
- Q78. The inaugural edition of the Women Entrepreneurship Platform (WEP) - NITI Aayog State Workshop Series on Enabling Women-led Development through Entrepreneurship was organized in which state? Ans: Goa
- **Q79.** Who is the Chief Guest of the 49th AIPSC? **Ans:** Amit Shah
- **Q80.** Who won the 2023 Nobel Prize in Physics? Ans: Pierre Agostini, Ferenc Krausz and Anne L'Huillier
- **Q81.** Who won the 2023 Nobel Prize in Chemistry? Ans: Moungi G. Bawendi, Louis E. Brus and Alexei I. Ekimov
- **Q82.** Who won the 2023 Nobel Peace Prize? **Ans:** Narges Mohammadi
- **Q83.** What was the nonfarm payrolls increase in September 2023? **Ans:** 336,000
- **Q84.** What is wage growth moderation? **Ans:** A slowdown in the rate of wage increases.
- **Q85.** Who will inaugurate the 10th edition of the Vibrant Gujarat Summit on January 10, 2024? Ans: Narendra Modi
- **Q86.** What is the theme of the 10th Vibrant Gujarat Summit? **Ans:** Gateway to the future
- **Q87.** World Cotton Day is celebrated on which date each year?

**Ans:** October 7





**Q88.** What is the theme of World Cotton Day 2023?

**Ans:** Making cotton fair and sustainable for all, from farm to fashion

**Q89.** The RBI's inflation target is:

**Ans:** 4%

**Q90.** What is the current policy repo rate set by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) according to the recent announcement?

**Ans:** 6.50%

**Q91.** Who ordered the deployment of the USS Gerald R. Ford and additional military support to Israel in response to the recent attack by Hamas?

Ans: President Ioe Biden

**Q92.** Who announced the doubling of gold loan limits under the bullet repayment scheme for urban cooperative banks (UCBs)?

Ans: RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das

Q93. Who chaired the 52nd GST Council meeting in New

Ans: Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman

**Q94.** Who is responsible for paying GST on bus transportation services supplied through Electronic Commerce Operators (ECOs) as per the meeting recommendations?

Ans: ECOs

**Q95.** RBI has doubled the lending limits for gold loans under which repayment scheme?

**Ans:** Bullet repayment scheme

**Q96.** What goods will have a 0% GST rate if sold loose? Ans: Food preparations made from millet flour

**097.** What is the maximum value of contracts that can be signed independently by each service under the EP? Ans: Rs 300 crore

**Q98.** Which technology does the NAV-eCash card utilize for payments?

Ans: Dual chip card technology

**Q99.** Which city in India is known as the "Silk City of India" due to its rich history of silk production? Ans: Bhagalpur

**Q100.** Which services will be exempt from GST?

Ans: All of the above

**Q101.** What river is Bhagalpur, the Silk City of India, situated along?

**Ans:** Ganges River

**Q102.** What was the occasion on which India and Saudi Arabia formalized the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on green hydrogen and power grid interconnection?

Ans: MENA Climate Week 2023

Q103. What international organization mandates Current Good Manufacturing Practices (cGMP) guidelines for pharmaceutical manufacturing?

Ans: World Health Organization (WHO)

**Q104.** Which stadium holds the title of the largest stadium in the world?

Ans: Narendra Modi Stadium

**Q105.** Which Indian state has the longest coastline?

**Ans:** Gujarat

Q106. How much assistance has India provided for water projects in Tanzania?

Ans: USD 1 billion

Q107. Who is responsible for deploying 'Bima Vahaks' in every Gram Panchayat by December 31, 2024, as per the recent circular?

> Ans: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI)

**Q108.** Which is NOT a definition of unemployment rate?

Ans: The percentage of people who have been unemployed for more than 26 weeks.

**Q109.** Which states/UTs had a higher urban unemployment rate than the national average in April-June 2023?

**Ans:** Himachal Pradesh, Rajasthan, and Chhattisgarh

**Q110.** According to the Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) bulletin released by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI), what was the urban unemployment rate in India during the April-June quarter of this fiscal year?

**Ans:** 6.6%

Q111. Who imposed a total siege on the Gaza Strip and cut off water supply following a surprise offensive by Hamas? Ans: Israel

Q112. When was the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) established as an intergovernmental organization? Ans: 1997









Q113. Which two cities are connected by the ferry service set to launch on October 11, 2023, as part of efforts to enhance connectivity?

Ans: Nagapattinam, Kankesanthurai

**Q114.** Which country's stock exchange witnessed a decline in APSEZ stocks on the day of the incident? Ans: Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE)

**Q115.** Where is Haifa Port located?

Ans: Israel

Q116. What is India's fiscal deficit target as a percentage of GDP for the current financial year (FY24)?

Ans: 5.9%

**Q117.** What is the primary deficit?

**Ans:** The fiscal deficit without considering interest payments

Q118. Which company secured an 810 MW solar photovoltaic power project in Rajasthan? Ans: NLC India Ltd. (NLCIL)

**Q119.** Who is leading the initiative for the introduction of the Digital India Act 2023 (DIA)?

Ans: Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MEITY)

**Q120.** Which organization is hosting the Indian Military Heritage Festival (IMHF)?

Ans: United Service Institution of India (USI)

Q121. What was the growth rate of India's net direct tax collections by October 9, 2023?

**Ans:** 21.8%

**Q122.** What is the current refund threshold for taxpayers in India?

**Ans:** ?5,000

Q123. What organization raised India's FY24 GDP growth forecast to 6.3%?

Ans: IMF

Q124. What is the expected current account deficit as a percentage of GDP for India in FY24 and FY25, according to the IMF?

**Ans:** 1.8%

Q125. Which river separates Bangladesh from India and is one of the major waterways in the region? **Ans:** Ganges

**Q126.** Which country is providing preferential loans for the Padma Bridge Rail Link project?

Ans: China

**0127.** Who founded Hamas in 1987?

Ans: Ahmed Yassin

**Q128.** Which states does not share a border with Assam? Ans: Odisha

Q129. Under which scheme is the economic corridor project in Assam approved?

**Ans:** Asom Mala Scheme

Q130. What type of fighter jets is India considering purchasing from France for its navy's aircraft carrier, **INS Vikrant?** 

**Ans:** Rafale M fighters

**Q131.** Who inaugurated the 26th Energy Technology Meet at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi? **Ans:** Shri Hardeep Singh Puri

**Q132.** Which bone in the human body is the largest? Ans: Femur

Q133. What does 'A-HELP' stand for in the context of the program unveiled by the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India? Ans: Accredited Agent for Health and Extension of Livestock Production

Q134. Who has been elected as the Chairman of the Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI)? **Ans:** Navneet Munot

Q135. Why did the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) order Bank of Baroda to halt the onboarding of new customers onto their mobile app, 'bob World'?

**Ans:** Material deficiencies in the customer onboarding process.

**Q136.** What is Pakistan's current economic growth forecast according to the IMF for the current fiscal year? **Ans:** 2.5%

**Q137.** What is the name of the operation launched by India to assist its citizens in Israel?

Ans: Operation Ajay

Q138. Who is being investigated by SEBI for ties with the Gulf Asia fund?

Ans: Gautam Adani

Q139. Who launched Special Campaign 3.0 in DARPG on September 29, 2023?

Ans: Dr. Jitendra Singh

Q140. What is the IMF's revised average annual inflation forecast for Pakistan for the current fiscal year? **Ans:** 23.6%

**Q141.** What allegations were made against the Adani Group in a report by Hindenburg Research? **Ans:** Stock manipulation

Q142. Which state provides the maximum number of eservices under the unified service delivery portals according to the Special Campaign 3.0 report?

Ans: Jammu & Kashmir

**Q143.** What is the primary age group targeted by Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat)?

**Ans:** 15-29 years





Q144. Why did the Bank of Baroda seek to raise up to Rs 10,000 crore through long-term bonds? Ans: To fund infrastructure and affordable housing

**Q145.** When is the official launch date of Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat)?

**Ans:** 31st October, 2023

**Q146.** Where did the 20th corps commander-level meeting between India and China take place?

Ans: Chushul-Moldo border in Ladakh

**Q147.** When is World Sight Day observed every year? **Ans:** Second Thursday of October

**0148.** Who is the director of "The Kashmir Files" and the author of the book "The Book of Life: My Dance with Buddha for Success"?

Ans: Vivek Agnihotri

**Q149.** Who set a new national record in the men's 100m category during the championships?

**Ans:** Manikanta Hoblidhar

Q150. Where did the 62nd National Open Athletics Championships 2023 take place? **Ans:** Bengaluru

**Q151.** What was the growth rate of India's industrial output in August 2023?

**Ans:** 10.3%

Q152. Which sport won India the most gold medals at the 2023 Asian Games?

**Ans:** Shooting

**Q153.** The inaugural edition of the Women Entrepreneurship Platform (WEP) - NITI Aayog State Workshop Series on Enabling Women-led Development through Entrepreneurship was organized in which state? Ans: Goa

**0154.** Which sectors contributed the most to India's industrial output growth in August 2023?

**Ans:** Electricity

**Q155.** Who won the 2023 Nobel Prize in Physics? Ans: Pierre Agostini, Ferenc Krausz and Anne L'Huillier

Q156. What was the rate of India's retail inflation in September 2023? **Ans:** 5.02%

**Q157.** Who won the 2023 Nobel Peace Prize? **Ans:** Narges Mohammadi

**Q158.** Who is hosting the P20 Summit 2023? **Ans:** Parliament of India

**Q159.** What is wage growth moderation? **Ans:** A slowdown in the rate of wage increases. **Q160.** What is the theme of the P20 Summit 2023? Ans: Parliaments for One Earth, One Family, One

**Q161.** What is the theme of the 10th Vibrant Gujarat Summit? Ans: Gateway to the future

**Q162.** What is India's ranking in the GHI 2023? **Ans**: 111th

Q163. Which organizations prepare and release the Global Hunger Index (GHI)?

Ans: Concern Worldwide and Welt Hunger Hilfe

Q164. What is a global treaty designed to protect and sustainably utilize wetlands of international importance?

Ans: The Ramsar Convention

**Q165.** What is the current policy repo rate set by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) according to the recent announcement?

**Ans:** 6.50%

Q166. What company recently completed a \$69 billion acquisition of Activision Blizzard?

**Ans:** Microsoft

**Q167.** What does the acquisition make Microsoft in the gaming industry on a global revenue basis? Ans: Third-largest gaming company

**Q168.** Who has approved a ?1,660.15 crore equity investment for a 50% stake in IndianOil NTPC Green Energy?

Ans: Indian Oil Corporation

**Q169.** Who has been nominated for the 2023 World Athlete of the Year award by World Athletics? **Ans:** Neeraj Chopra

Q170. Where is the 141st IOC session being held in Mumbai? Ans: Jio World Centre

**Q171.** What is the estimated cost of the proposed Indigenous Aircraft Carrier (IAC)-II by the Indian Navy? **Ans:** 40,000 crore

Q172. What was the percentage change in India's goods exports in August 2023 compared to the previous vear?

**Ans:** 6.86%

**Q173.** What was the trade deficit in August 2023? **Ans:** \$24.16 billion

Q174. What was India's Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) in 2022?

Ans: 6.19 million

**Q175.** Which organization collaborated with the Indian Army to achieve the installation of the mobile tower at Siachen Glacier?

**Ans:** Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL)







- **Q176.** What is the nickname given to the soldiers involved in the installation of the mobile tower at Siachen Glacier? **Ans:** Siachen Warriors
- Q177. What is the name of the mascot unveiled for the Women's Asian Champions Trophy 2023? Ans: 'Juhi'
- **Q178.** What does the Women's Asian Champions Trophy 2023 mascot represent? Ans: The heritage of Jharkhand's wildlife
- **Q179.** What is the President's Colour award in the military? **Ans:** A symbol of recognition for outstanding achievements and valor
- **Q180.** When was the 3rd Battalion of the Naga Regiment, known as 3 Naga, established? **Ans:** October 1, 2009
- **Q181.** How many types of activities are covered by the Green Credit program? Ans: 8
- Q182. Sri Lanka's initial focus for trade agreement renegotiations involves which three countries? **Ans:** India, China, and Thailand
- **Q183.** Who is the State Minister of Finance in Sri Lanka who announced the intention to renegotiate trade agreements? **Ans:** Shehan Semasinghe
- Q184. When was the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) formed? **Ans:** 1997
- Q185. Who proposed the idea of an Indian Ocean Rim for socioeconomic cooperation? Ans: Nelson Mandela
- Q186. When was the previous IOC Session held in India before the 141st session in Mumbai? **Ans:** 1983
- **Q187.** Who extended an invitation to host the 2029 Youth Olympics at the 141st IOC Session in Mumbai? Ans: Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- **Q188.** What event led to the declaration of "National Space Day" in India on August 23rd every year? Ans: Chandrayaan 3 mission's lunar landing
- **Q189.** What is the total balance in Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) accounts as of October 4, 2023? Ans: ?2.05 lakh crore
- Q190. What drives the interest in Jan Dhan enrolments according to the provided information? **Ans:** Linking to government schemes and DBTs
- **Q191.** Which village in Punjab was recently awarded the title of "Best Tourism Village of India 2023" by the Union Ministry of Tourism? **Ans:** Nawanpind Sardaran

- 0192. Where is the tallest statue of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar outside of India located? **Ans:** Maryland, USA
- Q193. Who was the first chairman of NASA and played a pivotal role in shaping the agency's mission and accomplishments? **Ans:** T. Keith Glennan
- **Q194.** What chess championship did Grandmaster Raunak Sadhwani win in Sardinia, Italy? **Ans:** FIDE World Junior Rapid Chess Championship
- **Q195.** Who are the Sangha sisters? **Ans:** Five sisters from Nawanpind Sardaran who have

dedicated themselves to preserving their ancestral homes and promoting sustainable tourism in their village.

- **Q196.** What is the expected growth rate of the service sector in India for FY23/24, according to the World Bank's report? **Ans:** 7.4%
- Q197. What was India's GDP growth rate in FY22/23 according to the World Bank's India Development Update (IDU)? **Ans:** 7.2%
- **Q198.** What does LFPR stand for? Ans: Labor Force Participation Rate
- Q199. What is the usual age range for the working-age population when calculating LFPR? **Ans**: 15-64
- **Q200.** What organization approved the \$181 million loan for the Ahmedabad Peri-urban Livability Improvement

**Ans:** Asian Development Bank

- **Q201.** When will the second meeting of the India-UK 2+2 dialogue take place? Ans: 2024
- **Q202.** Who co-chaired the Indian delegation in the India-UK 2+2 dialogue held in New Delhi?

**Ans:** Piyush Srivastava, joint secretary in the external affairs ministry, and Vishwesh Negi, joint secretary in the defense ministry.

- Q203. What was India's wholesale inflation rate in September 2023? Ans: -0.26 percent
- **Q204.** What was the month-on-month change in the fuel and power group of the Wholesale Price Index (WPI) in September 2023? **Ans:** -2%
- **Q205.** What is the purpose of the electoral bond scheme? **Ans:** To enhance transparency in political funding







**Q206.** Who led the liberal opposition to victory in Poland's recent parliamentary elections?

Ans: Donald Tusk

**Q207.** What industry made Surat famous in the 18th century? Ans: Diamond-cutting and polishing industry

**0208.** Where will the Global Maritime India Summit 2023 be held?

Ans: Mumbai

Q209. Which organization is collaborating with Coca-Cola India to launch the 'Super Power Retailer Program'? **Ans:** National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC)

**Q210.** What is the name of the cleanliness campaign launched by the Yogi Adityanath government in Uttar Pradesh?

**Ans:** Swachch Tyohar, Swasth Tyohar

**Q211.** What is the average GDP growth rate expected by CRISIL for India between FY24 and FY31? Ans: 6.7%

**Q212.** Which four key sectors have earned an overall score of 7 or higher out of 10 in the CRISIL InfraInvex? Ans: Roads and highways, power transmission, renewable energy, and ports

**Q213.** What is the name of the long-term vision document for the blue economy unveiled by Prime Minister Modi? Ans: Amrit Kaal Vision 2047

**Q214.** Who has been nominated for the 2023 World Athlete of the Year award by World Athletics? **Ans:** Neeraj Chopra

**Q215.** What is the name of the all-weather deep-draft terminal that Prime Minister Modi laid the foundation stone for at the Deendayal Port Authority in Gujarat? Ans: Tuna-Tekra

**Q216.** What is the name of India's human spaceflight project that aims to launch three crew members into orbit for three days in 2025?

Ans: Gaganyaan



**Q217.** What is the name of the international agreement that India signed with NASA to partner with other nations on space exploration? Ans: Artemis Accords

**Q218.** Which government agency has approved the merger of IDFC and IDFC First Bank?

**Ans:** Competition Commission of India (CCI)

Q219. What was India's Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) in 2022?

Ans: 6.19 million

**Q220.** Which organization collaborated with the Indian Army to achieve the installation of the mobile tower at Siachen Glacier?

**Ans:** Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL)

Q221. What percentage stake did IDFC hold in IDFC First Bank as of June 30, 2023?

**Ans:** 30.93%

Q222. What is the name of the mascot unveiled for the Women's Asian Champions Trophy 2023? Ans: 'Juhi'

Q223. Which banks was penalized for violating RBI directions on deposit placement and Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR)?

**Ans:** Gujarat Mercantile Co-operative Bank Ltd.

**Q224.** What is the meaning of the nickname "Kongali Bihu"? Ans: Poor Bihu

**0225.** What is TRUE about Kati Bihu? **Ans:** All of the above

**Q226.** Which company is set to establish a Maintenance, Repair, and Overhaul (MRO) facility in India as part of the MQ-9B drone agreement? **Ans:** General Atomics

**0227.** Who chairs the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) that recently approved higher Minimum Support Prices (MSP) for Rabi crops for the 2024-25 season?

Ans: Shri Narendra Modi

Q228. To encourage crop diversification and reduce dependence on imports, the government is promoting the cultivation of which types of crops? Ans: Oilseeds, pulses, and millets

**Q229.** Which major Indian states are the top cane-growing states facing issues due to poor monsoon rains? **Ans:** Maharashtra and Karnataka

**Q230.** What is the basis for calculating Dearness Allowance and Dearness Relief for government employees and

> Ans: Consumer Price Index for Industrial Workers (CPI-IW)







**Q231.** Which initiative provides financial support, quality seeds, and timely weather information to empower farmers in making informed decisions regarding their crops?

Ans: Kisan Credit Card (KCC) Scheme

- **0232.** What is the percentage increase in Dearness Allowance (DA) for Central Government employees and pensioners announced by the Union Government? **Ans:** 4%
- **Q233.** Who secured the top position in the 15th Mercer CFA Institute Global Pension Index (MCGPI)? **Ans:** Netherlands
- **0234.** In the 15th Mercer CFA Institute Global Pension Index (MCGPI), what is India's rank among the 47 retirement income systems analyzed? **Ans:** 45
- **Q235.** Who has been appointed as the Governor of Odisha by President Droupadi Murmu? **Ans:** Raghubar Das
- **Q236.** Who is the current Governor of Tripura? Ans: Indra Sena Reddy Nallu
- **Q237.** Who recently partnered to produce wearable devices based on RISC-V technology, challenging the dominance of proprietary technologies by Arm Holdings? Ans: Qualcomm and Google

**0238.** Which film received the Best Feature Film award at the 69th National Film Awards? **Ans:** Rocketry

Q239. Where is Tamil Nadu's pioneering artificial intelligence (AI)-based early warning system for safeguarding wild elephants from train collisions being implemented?

**Ans:** Ettimadai–Walayar railway section

Q240. Where will Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi inaugurate the priority section of the Delhi-Ghaziabad-Meerut Regional Rapid Transit System (RRTS) Corridor and launch the RapidX train on October 20, 2023?

Ans: Sahibabad, Uttar Pradesh

**Q241.** According to the IMF, India's share of global economic growth is projected to increase to what percentage in the next five years?

**Ans:** 18%

**Q242.** What is the name of the operation launched by India to assist its citizens in Israel?

**Ans:** Operation Ajay

**Q243.** Which is NOT a key driver of India's strong economic performance?

**Ans:** High interest rates

**Q244.** The IMF's projection for India's economic growth in FY2023/24 is:

**Ans:** 6.3%

Q245. Which is NOT a key point of the Pentagon report on China's military power?

**Ans:** The U.S. has provided substantial military assistance to Taiwan to bolster its defenses against potential aggression.

- **Q246.** Which is the MOST LIKELY outcome of the contempt plea filed by the Advocate Association, Bengaluru? Ans: The government will start processing recommendations made by the collegium more promptly.
- Q247. Which state provides the maximum number of eservices under the unified service delivery portals according to the Special Campaign 3.0 report? **Ans:** Jammu & Kashmir
- **Q248.** What is the primary age group targeted by Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat)? **Ans:** 15-29 years
- **0249.** What is the name of the award that the ICAI won? Ans: ISAR Honours 2023
- **Q250.** Who was awarded the 2023 Sakharov Prize by the European Parliament? Ans: Jina Mahsa Amini and the "Woman, Life, Freedom" movement
- **Q251.** Where did the 20th corps commander-level meeting between India and China take place? Ans: Chushul-Moldo border in Ladakh
- **Q252.** What significant step did the Arunachal Pradesh State Cabinet take to safeguard its tiger reserves? **Ans:** Created the Special Tiger Protection Force (STPF)
- **Q253.** What achievement did the Indian Army secure in the Cambrian Patrol Competition 2023? Ans: Gold medal
- Q254. How many National Film Awards has Shreya Ghoshal won to date? Ans: Five
- Q255. Where did the 62nd National Open Athletics Championships 2023 take place? **Ans:** Bengaluru
- **Q256.** 'Namo Bharat' is India's first semi-high-speed regional rail service. Who manufactured the state-of-the-art train sets for Namo Bharat? Ans: Alstom
- **Q257.** Which country became the first nation to successfully test-fire a medium-caliber maritime electromagnetic railgun from an offshore platform?

Ans: Japan







Q258. What is the name of the stealth guided missile destroyer officially transferred to the Indian Navy on October 20, 2023?

Ans: Imphal

Q259. The Indian Naval will host MILAN 24 naval exercise at Visakhapatnam from 19th February to 27th February 2024. When was the MILAN exercise initiated by the Indian Navy?

**Ans:** 1995

Q260. Recently, Deputy Governor of RBI, Michael Debabrata Patra, inaugurated an RBI Sub-Office in which state? Ans: Arunachal Pradesh

Q261. Recently, which bank has received Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) approval to acquire 100% stake in microlender Sonata Finance?

Ans: Kotak Mahindra Bank

**Q262.** Recently, IRCTC has partnered with which platform to improve railway passengers' dining experience by offering more food choices via IRCTC's E-Catering segment?

Ans: Zomato

**Q263.** Who has been appointed by the Hewlett-Packard (HP) as the Senior Vice President & Managing Director for its India market?

**Ans:** Ipsita Dasgupta

**Q264.** Which Indian village has been awarded as the Best Tourism Village for 2023 by the United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO)?

Ans: Dhordo

**0265.** Which Hindustani classical vocalist and composer has been conferred with the prestigious 'Durga Bharat Samman' by the Governor of West Bengal, C V Ananda

**Ans:** Pandit Ajoy Chakrabarty

**Q266.** Which missile system that Pakistan recently tested? Ans: Ababeel and Fatah-1 Guided Multi-Launch Rocket System

Q267. Which country will receive the largest quota of non-Basmati white rice exports from India? **Ans:** Philippines

**Q268.** Which organization is responsible for executing the non-Basmati white rice exports from India? Ans: National Cooperative Export Limited

**Q269.** Which major Indian states are the top cane-growing states facing issues due to poor monsoon rains? Ans: Maharashtra and Karnataka

**Q270.** What was the purpose of the Gaganyaan mission TV-D1 test flight?

> **Ans:** To evaluate the performance of drogue parachutes in stabilizing the spacecraft and decelerating it during reentry into Earth's atmosphere.

**Q271.** Which initiative provides financial support, quality seeds, and timely weather information to empower farmers in making informed decisions regarding their crops?

Ans: Kisan Credit Card (KCC) Scheme

**Q272.** What is the main objective of the European Union Tax Observatory's 'Global Tax Evasion Report 2024'? **Ans:** All of the above

**Q273.** Who secured the top position in the 15th Mercer CFA Institute Global Pension Index (MCGPI)?

**Ans:** Netherlands

Q274. Where will the Asian Para Games 2023 opening ceremony be held? Ans: Hangzhou, China

Q275. What is the key feature of RBL Bank's GO Savings Account?

**Ans:** All of the above

**Q276.** What is the name of HDFC Bank's cutting-edge digital platform?

**Ans:** XpressWay

**Q277.** What is HDFC Bank's 'NOW' initiative? Ans: An umbrella brand encompassing the bank's digital products and services

**Q278.** Which film received the Best Feature Film award at the 69th National Film Awards?

**Ans:** Rocketry

Q279. What is the name of NLC India's wholly-owned subsidiary in the renewable energy sector? Ans: NLC India Green Energy Limited (NIGEL)

**Q280.** What is the importance of battery energy storage systems (BESS) in the Indian power grid? **Ans:** All of the above

**Q281.** What is India's projected GDP by 2030? **Ans:** \$7.3 trillion

**Q282.** What is India's current position in terms of the largest economies in the Asia-Pacific region? Ans: Third

Q283. What was the Euro Zone Composite Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) in October 2023? **Ans:** 46.5

Q284. Which Euro Zone country experienced a fourth consecutive month of reduced business activity in October 2023?

**Ans:** Germany

Q285. Which country recently waived visa fees for Indian tourists and visitors from six other nations to boost its tourism industry?

**Ans:** Sri Lanka



**Q286.** Who proposed the detailed KYC process (KYDFA) for financial apps in India?

**Ans:** Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY)

**Q287.** Which city in India was ranked as the second most polluted city by IQAir in 2023?

Ans: Mumbai

**Q288.** Which region is at the center of the border dispute between China, Bhutan, and India?

Ans: Doklam

**0289.** Where is "Exercise Harimau Shakti 2023" taking

Ans: Umroi Cantonment, India

Q290. When did the last edition of "Exercise Harimau Shakti" take place?

Ans: November 2022

Q291. Who inaugurated the Nano DAP (Liquid) Plant of IFFCO at Kalol in Gandhinagar, Gujarat?

Ans: Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah

**Q292.** Who emerged as the champion in the women's singles event at the Abu Dhabi Masters 2023?

Ans: Unnati Hooda

**0293.** Where was the final match of the Abu Dhabi Masters 2023 held?

Ans: UAE

Q294. When is World Development Information Day celebrated each year?

Ans: October 24th

**Q295.** Which country named the cyclone as 'Hamoon'?

Ans: Iran

**Q296.** What is the compliance deadline for banks that do not currently meet the RBI's requirement for Whole-Time Directors (WTDs)?

**Ans:** Four months.

**Q297.** Which category of visas will India resume services for? **Ans:** Entry, business, medical reasons, conferences visas



Q298. Who was elected as the Speaker of the House of Representatives in the United States recently? **Ans:** Mike Johnson

Q299. Which political party does Mike Johnson belong to? Ans: Republican Party

Q300. Which organization hosted the 22nd meeting of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Council of Heads of Government (CHG)?

**Ans:** Kyrgyzstan

Q301. Which river does the Jamrani Dam project plan to create a dam across?

Ans: Ram Ganga

**Q302.** What is the expected hydro power generation capacity of the Jamrani Dam project?

**Ans:** 14 MW

Q303. Which nutrient-based subsidy has seen the highest reduction for the October-March period compared to the April-September period?

Ans: Potassium (K)

Q304. Which scheme has been governing the subsidy on phosphorus and potassium (P&K) fertilizers since April 1, 2010?

Ans: Nutrient-Based Subsidy (NBS) Scheme

**Q305.** Who is Li Shangfu, and what was his recent fate? Ans: China's Defense Minister

**Q306.** Who graced the Green Tourism Conclave in Shillong as the chief guest?

Ans: Meghalaya's Tourism Minister, Bah Paul Lyngdoh

**Q307.** Which country was at the top of the medal tally during the Hangzhou Asian Para Games?

Ans: China

Q308. Who has been named as the head coach of the India women's national cricket team?

Ans: Amol Muzumdar

Q309. What was the Instrument of Accession (IoA) in 1947? **Ans:** A document outlining the terms of accession of princely states to India

Q310. What world record did Sumit Antil break during the Hangzhou Asian Para Games?

**Ans:** The javelin throw F64 world record

**Q311.** Who recently inaugurated India's first Vertical Wind Tunnel (VWT) for military training in Himachal Pradesh?

Ans: Army Chief Gen Manoj Pande

**Q312.** Which country was the third to independently send a person into space?

Ans: China

**0313.** Who are the three astronauts on China's Shenzhou 17 mission?

Ans: Tang Hongbo, Tang Shengjie, and Jiang Xinlin





- Q314. Why have FIIs been selling Indian stocks recently? Ans: Weak global economic conditions
- 0315. What is the date on which Lord Ram's idol will be installed in the Ayodhya Temple's sanctum sanctorum?

**Ans:** January 22, 2024

**Q316.** What is the fertility rate expected to be in Italy in 2023 based on the data?

**Ans:** 1.22 children per woman

- Q317. Which version of the UDAN scheme introduced helicopter routes and enhanced viability gap funding (VGF) for operators? Ans: UDAN 5.1
- **0318.** Who is Slovakia's current Prime Minister as of 2023? **Ans:** Robert Fico
- Q319. In which year was the first RCS-UDAN flight inaugurated, connecting Shimla to Delhi? Ans: 2017
- **Q320.** Who has Zomato partnered with to provide maternity insurance coverage for its women delivery partners? Ans: ACKO
- Q321. Who broke the world record in the men's javelin throw-F46 event at the Asian Para Games in Hangzhou, China?

**Ans:** Sundar Singh Gurjar

- **Q322.** Whose previous world record did Sundar Singh Gurjar break in the men's javelin throw-F46 event? Ans: Dinesh Priyantha
- **Q323.** Which country holds the first position in the number of fintech unicorns, producing the highest value in the industry, according to the provided information? **Ans:** United States
- Q324. Which organization organizes the Global Teacher Prize annually?

**Ans:** Varkey Foundation

- **0325.** Who was the first woman to receive the Bharat Ratna award in India? Ans: Indira Gandhi
- Q326. Which company is set to produce LEAP engine forgings for Airbus A320 Neo and Boeing 737 Max as part of their recent collaboration? Ans: HAL
- **Q327.** Who has been elected as Malaysia's new king in the rotating monarchy system?

**Ans:** Sultan Ibrahim Iskandar

Q328. Who launched the 39-member advisory body on AI within the United Nations?

Ans: Antonio Guterres

Q329. Which organization has launched the Dark Patterns Buster Hackathon 2023?

**Ans:** Department of Consumer Affairs (DoCA)

- Q330. What is the name of the all-weather deep-draft terminal that Prime Minister Modi laid the foundation stone for at the Deendayal Port Authority in Gujarat? Ans: Tuna-Tekra
- **0331.** What is the name of India's human spaceflight project that aims to launch three crew members into orbit for three days in 2025?

Ans: Gaganyaan

- **Q332.** What is the name of the international agreement that India signed with NASA to partner with other nations on space exploration? **Ans:** Artemis Accords
- **0333.** What are dark patterns in the context of this hackathon?

Ans: Deceptive design practices meant to mislead or trick users

- **Q334.** What was the theme of the 16th Urban Mobility India Conference & Exhibition 2023? Ans: "Integrated and Resilient Urban Transport"
- **0335.** How does India's current metro network rank globally?

Ans: 3rd largest

- Q336. Which government initiative is associated with the adoption of electric vehicles in India? Ans: FAME-I
- **0337.** What is the name of the mascot unveiled for the Women's Asian Champions Trophy 2023? Ans: 'Juhi'
- Q338. Which banks was penalized for violating RBI directions on deposit placement and Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR)?

Ans: Gujarat Mercantile Co-operative Bank Ltd.

**Q339.** What is the primary focus of Zaakpay's operations, as authorized by the RBI?

**Ans:** Facilitating online payments for new merchants

- **Q340.** What is the primary goal of JioSpaceFiber, the satellite broadband service introduced by Reliance Jio? Ans: Extending high-speed internet access to previously underserved and remote regions in India
- **Q341.** Which historical site in Turkey is famous for its unique underground cities and cave dwellings? Ans: Cappadocia
- **Q342.** What was the percentage reduction in the MGNREGS workforce from the previous fiscal year to April-September 2023?

**Ans:** 7.5%





Q343. What is the targeted per-capita income range in 'Vision India@2047'?

**Ans:** \$18.000-\$20.000

**Q344.** What is the primary objective of 'Vision India@2047'? **Ans:** To prevent India from falling into the middleincome trap and become a developed nation by 2047.

**Q345.** Which strait separates the European and Asian parts of Turkey?

**Ans:** Bosporus Strait

**Q346.** What does the RBI's recent announcement regarding the bulk deposit limit for Regional Rural Banks (RRBs)

**Ans:** It raises the limit from Rs 15 lakh to Rs 1 crore.

Q347. Which regulatory body ensures the protection of deposits in RRBs?

Ans: DICGC

Q348. What is the exchange ratio for Fincare SFB shareholders in the merger with AU SFB?

Ans: 579 shares in AU SFB for every 2,000 shares in Fincare SFB

Q349. Swan Energy's acquisition of Reliance Naval and Engineering aligns with which government initiative? Ans: Make in India

Q350. Which sector is Swan Energy primarily focusing on after the acquisition?

Ans: Naval, defence, and oil and gas sectors

Q351. Which prestigious award was presented to Nita Ambani in 2023, recognizing her philanthropic work and contributions to society?

> Ans: USISPF Global Leadership Award for Philanthropy and Corporate Social Responsibility

**Q352.** The FATF's Grey List consists of jurisdictions that do not meet the organization's which standards?

Ans: All of the above

**Q353.** In what year was Gita Press Gorakhpur awarded the Gandhi Peace Prize?

Ans: 2021

**Q354.** What is the official sponsor of the 37th edition of the National Games?

Ans: Paytm

**Q355.** Who was the highest wicket-taker in the 2023 ICC ODI

World Cup?

Ans: Adam Zampa



