

Quiz Date: 12th December 2023

Q1. Who is ranked as the world's most popular leader in the September 2023 Morning Consult survey?

- (a) Andrés Manuel López Obrador
- (b) Alain Berset
- (c) Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva
- (d) Joe Biden
- (e) Narendra Modi

Q2. What did the Supreme Court uphold regarding Jammu and Kashmir's special status under Article 370?

- (a) The Court declared Article 370 as permanent.
- (b) The Court upheld the 2019 revocation of J&K's special status, confirming it as a temporary provision.
- (c) The Court ruled that J&K retained sovereignty upon joining India.
- (d) The Court recommended the immediate restoration of J&K's autonomy.
- (e) The Court mandated a referendum for J&K's residents to decide their constitutional status.

Q3. What steps did the Supreme Court direct for J&K's future?

- (a) The Court recommended indefinite postponement of elections.
- (b) The Court called for immediate restoration of J&K's statehood.
- (c) The Court suggested merging J&K with another state.
- (d) The Court upheld the Union Territory status for J&K.
- (e) The Court mandated a fresh referendum for J&K's constitutional status.

Q4. What event did Union Minister Nirmala Sitharaman inaugurate in Vijayawada?

- (a) Krishnaveni Sangeet Sabha
- (b) Vijayawada Music Extravaganza
- (c) Telugu Cultural Festival
- (d) Krishnaveni Sangeetha Neerajanam
- (e) Andhra Pradesh Classical Showcase

Q5. What led to ITC Ltd becoming the third most valuable tobacco company globally, surpassing British American Tobacco (BAT)?

- (a) Aggressive marketing campaigns
- (b) Strategic diversification into FMCG, hotels, papers, and agri-products
- (c) Increased tobacco production
- (d) Merger with a major global player
- (e) BAT's withdrawal from the market

Q6. What is India's global ranking in startup funding in 2023?

- (a) First
- (b) Second
- (c) Third
- (d) Fourth
- (e) Fifth

Q7. Despite the funding decline, India maintained its position in the top _____ geographies globally in terms of total funding for the year.

- (a) Two
- (b) Three
- (c) Four
- (d) Five
- (e) Six

Q8. What is the name of the initiative by the Rural Development Department of Bihar that garnered international praise?

- (a) Green Bihar Scheme
- (b) Jal-Jeevan-Hariyali Abhiyan
- (c) Climate Resilience Program
- (d) Sustainable Agriculture Project
- (e) Rural Afforestation Drive

Q9. What is India's current rank in the Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI)?

- (a) 5th
- (b) 7th
- (c) 10th
- (d) 12th
- (e) 15th

Q10. How does India compare globally in terms of per capita emissions?

- (a) Above global average
- (b) Equal to global average

- (c) Half of the global average
- (d) Twice the global average
- (e) No significant difference

Q11. What is the primary focus of Uttar Pradesh's vision at the World Economic Forum?

- (a) Becoming a technological hub
- (b) Developing religious tourism
- (c) Transforming into a trillion-dollar economy
- (d) Agricultural innovation
- (e) Promoting industrial exports

Q12. Which city secured the second position in the rankings of safest cities, according to the NCRB report?

- (a) Pune
- (b) Kolkata
- (c) Hyderabad
- (d) Mumbai
- (e) Delhi

Q13. What is the purpose of the 'Aatmanirbhar Bharat Centre for Design' unveiled by Prime Minister Narendra Modi?

- (a) To promote international trade
- (b) To enrich Indian cities culturally
- (c) To enhance scientific research

- (d) To support agricultural development
- (e) None of the above

Q14. What is the significance of the 200 million Euro loan agreement signed by REC Limited with the German bank KfW?

- (a) To fund REC's internal operations
- (b) To support India's power sector reforms
- (c) To invest in renewable energy projects
- (d) To finance road and expressway projects
- (e) None of the above

Q15. Who has been announced as the next Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh by the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)?

- (a) Ajit Jogi
- (b) Narhari Prasad Sai
- (c) Vishnu Deo Sai
- (d) Budhnath Sai
- (e) None of the above

Solutions

S1. Ans.(e)

Sol. Narendra Modi holds the top spot with a 76% approval rating, surpassing other global leaders.

S2. Ans.(b)

Sol. The Supreme Court upheld the 2019 decision, affirming Article 370's temporary nature.

S3. Ans.(b)

Sol. The Court directed the Election Commission to conduct J&K Legislative Assembly elections by September 30, 2024, and emphasized the swift restoration of J&K's statehood.

S4. Ans.(d)

Sol. Union Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs, Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman, inaugurated the Krishnaveni Sangeetha Neerajanam at Tummalapalli Kalakshetram in Vijayawada.

S5. Ans.(b)

Sol. ITC's rise is attributed to its diversified business strategy, moving beyond tobacco into various sectors.

S6. Ans.(d)

Sol. India slipped to the fourth position globally in 2023, marking a decline from its third-place ranking in the previous years.

S7. Ans.(d)

Sol. India managed to maintain its position in the top five geographies globally in terms of total funding for the year.

S8. Ans.(b)

Sol. Jal-Jeevan-Hariyali Abhiyan. This initiative by the Rural Development Department of Bihar received recognition for its efforts in afforestation and climate resilience.

S9. Ans.(b)

Sol. India has achieved the 7th position in the latest CCPI, showcasing a commendable improvement and maintaining its top-performer status for the fifth consecutive year.

S10. Ans.(c)

Sol. India's per capita emissions are at half the global average, showcasing relative success in emission reduction compared to the global average.

S11. Ans.(c)

Sol. Transforming into a trillion-dollar economy. Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath's vision is centered on making Uttar Pradesh a trillion-dollar economy in the next five years.

S12. Ans.(a)

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Sol. Following Kolkata in the rankings were Pune, with 280.7 cases, and Hyderabad, with 299.2 cases, of cognisable offences per lakh population.

S13. Ans.(b)

Sol. The establishment of the 'Aatmanirbhar Bharat Centre for Design' was highlighted as a historic step to enrich Indian cities culturally.

S14. Ans.(b)

Sol. The loan agreement emphasizes REC's commitment to strengthening the distribution infrastructure of DISCOMs in alignment with the Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme (RDSS) of the Government of India.

S15. Ans.(c)

Sol. Vishnu Deo Sai has been announced as the next Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh.



