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1. Modernization of Indian Railways Agreement is signed by which two countries?

Ans. India and Belgium

2. Who is appointed as the new Vice Chancellor of Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU)?

Ans. Gopinath Pradhan

3. Which bank in India get the Banking Technology excellence Award recently?

Ans. South Indian Bank

4. Geeta Chaudhary is associated with which sports item?

Ans. Judo

5. Which company has been ranked by Forbes on August 2012 as the first among the World's 25 largest oil companies?

Ans. Saudi Aramco

6. Which sports person became the most decorated Olympian of all time with 19 medals after winning a gold medal in the 4/200 meter freestyle relay in London Olympics 2012?

Ans. Michael Phelps

7. Which country along with India will begin their joint INDRA-2012 anti terror military exercises in the Siberian republic of Buryatia on August 2012?

Ans. Russia

8. Name the first Indian who win a medal in Badminton in the history of Olympics?

Ans. Saina Nehwal

9. What is the name of the robotic space probe mission of Curiosity on August 2012?

Ans. Mars Science Laboratory (MSL)

10. Who won the gold medal in 100 metres running at the 2012 London Olympics with a record time of 9.63 seconds?

Ans. Usain Bolt

11. Name the human gene discovered recently by the scientists that influences how people respond to flu infections?

Ans. ITFITM 3

12. World Elders Day is observed on which date?

Ans. October 1

13. Recently who has released the report titled 'World Development Report 2013'?

Ans. World Bank

14. Who is the executive director of United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women?

Ans. Michelle Bachelet

15. In which country, the 7th Meeting of the women speakers of Parliament on Gender Sensitive Parliament was held?

Ans. India

16. Recently who has taken charge as the Chairperson and Managing Director of Allahabad Bank?

Ans. Shubhalakshmi Panse

17. What is India's growth forecast for the current fiscal as per the Asian Development Bank (ADB)?

Ans. 5.6 per cent

18. Which paramilitary force of India has recently celebrated its golden jubilee year?

Ans. Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP)

19. Who has been elected as the new Prime Minister of Georgia?

Ans. Bidzina Ivanishvili

20. Who is the non resident Indian settled in Colorado in US, has been proposed to the Nobel Peace Prize by the US government?

Ans. Malireddy Srinivasulu

21. Who is the author of the novel "The Casual Vacancy"?

Ans. J.K Rowling

22. Who has been appointed as the Chairman of the National Cricket Selection Committee?

Ans. Sandeep Patil

23. The National Institute of Urban Affairs is located in which city?

Ans. New Delhi

24. Which state government has launched Annschri Yojana, under which around two lakh families will receive a monthly cash transfer of Rs. 600 per month?

Ans. Delhi

25. Who had led the controversial Operation Blue Star in Amritsar in 1984 and is recently in news because of attacks on him?

Ans. Kuldeep Singh Brar

26. Recently in which Pakistan city, Shadman Chowk is renamed as Bhagat Singh Chowk?

Ans. Lahore

27. Targeting mainly at school children, Oxford University Press (OUP) has launched a book on Gandhi on the occasion of his 143rd birth anniversary. What is the name of the book?

Ans. My Early Life: An Illustrated Story

28. Recently which country and India have announced the collaboration to build a model smart city, which will serve as a template for replication?

Ans. Austria

29. Who has been recently re-elected as President of World Squash Federation?

Ans. N. Ramachandran

30. Recently, who is conferred with the Lal Bahadur Shastri National Award?

Ans. Tessy Thomas

31. Who is the present President of the Inter Parliamentary Union (IPU)?

Ans. Abdelwahad Radi

32. Who is the head of the government appointed panel on legislative reforms in the financial sector?

Ans. B.N Srikrishna

33. World Teacher's Day is observed on which date?

Ans. October 5

34. Who is the winner of 27th Indira Gandhi Award for National integration?

Ans. Gulzar

35. Who is the winner of Vallathol Award 2012?

Ans. Yusafali Kechery

36. Who is the winner of Vayalar Ramavarma Literary Award 2012?

Ans. Akkitham Achuthan Namboothiri

37. Niryat Shree and Niryat Bandhu awards are given for the promotion of export sector. Which bank has won the gold trophy in Niryat Bandhu Award recently?

Ans. Canara Bank

38. Recently, which stock exchange was halted for around 15 minutes as freak trades triggered a 15 per cent drop in the index?

Ans. National Stock Exchange (NSE)

39. Recently, which country has extradited radical Islamist preacher Abu Hamza al Masri to the US?

Ans. UK

40. Recently, which institution has declared to help the Indian government with a \$500 million loan to support its scheme for universalizing secondary education, the Rashtriya Madhyamik Shisha Abhiyan (RMSA)?

Ans. World Bank

41. The Prithvi –II, the surface-to-surface missile was successfully test fired from Odisha. What is the range of this missile?

Ans. 350 km

42. The 6th October 2012 marks the 125th birth anniversary of Le Corbusier, the Swiss-born French Architect. Which Indian city was designed by him?

Ans. Chandigarh

43. Which day is observed on 5th October 2012?

Ans. Global James Bond Day

44. Name the Indian cartoonist who was detained in Mumbai on charges of sedition?

Ans. Assem Trivedi

45. Who were the Nobel Prize winners of 2012 in Medicine?

Ans. Sir. John Gurdon & Shinya Yamanka

46. Who were the Nobel Prize winners of 2012 in physics ?

Ans. Serge Haroche & David J Wineland

47. On 7th October 2012, who won his countries presidential election for a third time and a historically high turnout and now will start a fourth term as President of Venezuela?

Ans. Hugo Chavez

48. Who were the Nobel Prize winners of 2012 in Chemistry?

Ans. Robert J Lefkowitz & Brian K Kobilka

49. Who is the Nobel Prize winners of 2012 in Literature?

Ans. Mo Yan(Guan Moye)

50. Which organization was awarded the nobel prize for peace in 2012?

Ans. European Union (EU)

51. Which city is the host for the eleventh edition of Ananya Dance Festival?

Ans. New Delhi

52. Who is named as it's female athlete of the year by the European Athletics Federation?

Ans. Jessica Ennis

53. In which city, the Central Bee Research and Training Institute is located?

Ans. Pune

54. Who is the brand ambassador of the Nirmal Bharat Yatra, which has began on October 3?

Ans. Vidya Balan

55. Recently in which state of India, RTI Week 2012 was launched?

Ans. Nagaland

56. Recently, in which city, South Asia's first knowledge hub in various languages for elected rural women representatives was launched by US women?

Ans. Jaipur

57. Which country is the host for International seminar on Energy Access?

Ans. India

58. In which country, the 9th International Women Playwrights Conference was held?

Ans. Sweden

59. Recently an absurd and anti-Muslim film has created furore in the Middle East. What is the title of that film?

Ans. Innocence of Muslims

60. In which country, the Football Link International Festival 2012 was started recently?

Ans. India

61. According to the 'Children in India 2012 A Statistical Appraisal' report, Which state has reported the highest number of crimes against children?

Ans. Uttar Pradesh

62. The T.L Shankar Committee report deals with which sector?

Ans. Coal Sector

63. Which country has hosted an international conference on disaster risk management with the support of world bank?

Ans. Japan

64. Which automobile major has developed the 'insect car', a new smart concept car that monitors driver's face to help predict what he want to be next?

Ans. Toyota

65. Which force has celebrated its 80th anniversary on 8th October 2012?

Ans. Indian Airforce

66. Which application is launched by the Indian Railways on 10th October 2012 to track the position of train?

Ans. Rail Radar

67. What is the name of the new motorcycle that Royal Enfield has launched on 11 October 2012?

Ans. Thunder bird 500

68. Which countries launched a joint research project in to pricing structures in LNG markets on 10th October 2012?

Ans. Japan and India

69. Who became the World's No. 1 Personal Computer (PC) maker?

Ans. Lenovo

70. Name the Malayalee who appointed as Supreme Court Judge in Singapore?

Ans. Sundaresh Menon

71. Who is appointed as the new Defence Secretary of Pakistan?

Ans. Left. Gen. (Rtd) Aasif Yasin Malik

72. Who is the first gold winner of London Olympics 2012?

Ans. Yee Siling

73. Name the first medal winner of India in London Olympics 2012?

Ans. Gagan Narang

74. Who is the new Home Minister of India?

Ans. Sushil Kumar Shinde

75. Who wrote the Book 'Pakistan Beyond the crises State'?

Ans. Dr. Mahila Lodhi

76. Who has been appointed as the Chairman of Competition Commission on India?

Ans. Ashok Chawla

77. Name the country that India signed an agreement for the modernisation of Indian Railways on August 2012?

Ans. Belgium

78. Indian Government decided to allow investment with the objective of boosting bilateral economic relations from which country?

Ans. Pakistan

79. Who is the second medal winner of India in the London Olympics 2012?

Ans. Vijay Kumar

80. Hameed Ansari is the second person to hold the position of India's Vice President twice. Who was the first person?

Ans. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan

81. Who is appointed as deputy Chief Minister of Manipur?

Ans. Gaikhanagam

82. Who became the 1st player from Japan to win French Open Super Series 2012 against Saina Nehwal?

Ans. Minatsu Mitani

83. Who won the Miss International title 2012?

Ans. Miss Japan Ikumi Yoshimatsu

84. Who won the women's single Denmark Open title 2012?

Ans. Saina Nehwal

World Current Affairs October 2012"

"A cargo ship carrying 700 tons of gold vanished off Russia's far east coast due to stormy weather on Sunday. According to media reports, the vessel named Amurskaya, disappeared in the Sea of Okhotsk." — *Oct 31, Indiatvnews*

"The U.S. Geological Survey says a magnitude 6.2 earthquake off the west coast of Canada on Monday night is an aftershock of the magnitude 7.7 quake that struck Saturday night." — *Oct 30, Indiatvnews*

"Chile's ruling center-right alliance lost several key mayoral races in municipal elections Sunday that featured millions of citizens voting for the first time after last year's electoral reforms." — *Oct 29, Indiatvnews*

"Malala Yousufzai, the teen-aged Pakistani activist shot in the head by the Taliban for advocating girls' education, remains in a stable condition, two weeks after she was admitted to a hospital in Britain, doctors said on Sunday." — *Oct 28, Indiatvnews*

“Eid al-Adha a Muslim religious holiday which coincides with the Hajj, or the pilgrimage to Mecca in Saudi Arabia. Every year nearly two million Muslims visit Mecca on a religious pilgrimage.” — *Oct 27, Indiatvnews*

“Pratik Pandya, a 48-year-old IT consultant lost his life in Isleworth, west London, after his seven-year-old son accidentally released the handbrake while looking for sweets.” — *Oct 26, Indiatvnews*

“A powerful, 6.6-magnitude earthquake struck Costa Rica’s Pacific coast on Tuesday, swaying buildings and sending people running out to the streets in the nation’s capital of San Jose.” — *October 25, Inidatvnews*

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“At least 13 pilgrims suffered minor burns while 179 others, from India and Bangladesh, were rescued after a fire occurred in a nine-storey building in Saudi Arabia’s Mecca city Sunday evening, Xinhua reported.” — *Oct 23, Indiatvnews*

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“As many as 140 World War II Spitfire fighter planes—three to four times the number of airworthy models known to exist—are believed to be buried in near-pristine condition in Myanmar.” — *Oct 19, indiatvnews*

“Terri Graham, a mother of two, couldn’t breastfeed her children. But, she’s now fulfilling her maternal desire in an unorthodox way—by breastfeeding her 9-year-old daughter’s dog, a pug named Spider.” — *Oct 18, Indiatvnews*

“Russia has plans to raise its annual defence spending by 59 percent to almost three trillion rubles (\$97 billion) in 2015, up from about 1.88 trillion rubles in 2012, the state Duma’s defense committee has revealed.” — *Oct 17, Indiatvnews*

“A planet with four suns has been identified by two astronomers. The bright new world, just under 5,000 light years away, is believed to be six times the size of Earth, The Independent reported Monday.” — *Oct 16, Indiatvnews*

“Several supporters of the anti-corporate Occupy movement chained themselves to the pulpit of St. Paul’s Cathedral during a service Sunday in an

action marking the anniversary of its now-dismantled protest camp outside the London landmark.” — *Oct 15, Indiatvnews*

“UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon has written a letter to the parents of Pakistani teenaged rights activist Malala Yousufzai, lauding Malala as a “role model not only for your country, but for our world”.” — *Oct 14, Indiatvnews*

“Angered by the coverage of its attempt to assassinate teenage rights activist Malala Yousufzai, the banned Tehrik-e-Taliban Pakistan has drawn up plans to target Pakistani and international media organisations across the country.” — *Oct 13, Indiatvnews*

“Ukrainian Navy has restarted special training for dolphins and other animals for military duties, including attacking enemy combat swimmers and detecting mines, a military source in the Ukrainian naval port of Sevastopol has revealed.” — *Oct 12, Indiatvnews*

“9/11: Ten Years On offers insight, reaction and analysis to commemorate the tenth anniversary of one of the defining events of our era. Available for Kindle and iBooks.” — *Oct 11, guardian*

“The Islamist group the al-Nusra Front said it carried out the attack in the suburb of Harasta using suicide car bombs loaded with tonnes of explosives.” — *Oct 9, guardian*

“Despite the increasing presence of social media and the internet, university students still prefer old style lectures, being less enthusiastic about using

computer-based information and communication tools (ICTs), says a study.” — *Oct 8, Indiatvnews*

“The United States has agreed to allow South Korea to possess longer-range missiles that could strike all of North Korea, officials said on Sunday” — *Oct 7, Indiatvnews*

“Pakistani authorities have blocked about 20,000 websites, including YouTube, for hosting “objectionable” material like footage from the anti-Islam movie “Innocence of Muslims”, an official said today. “We have blocked 20,000 objectionable websites and blogs since the blasphemous film” — *Oct 6, Indiatvnews*

“External Affairs Minister S M Krishna met family members of victims of Oak Creek Gurdwara shooting and said India and the US stand united against those who perpetrate a culture of violence and hatred.” — *Oct 5, Indiatvnews*

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“US President Barack Obama hoped Osama bin Laden would be taken alive by US Navy SEALs so that he could face trial in a civilian courtroom, it was claimed on Wednesday.” — *Oct 4, Indiatvnews*

“Tokyo has lodged an official protest with Beijing over Chinese ships entering the territorial waters of disputed islands in the East China Sea, Japanese media reported Wednesday.” — *Oct 3, Indiatvnews*

“Some 235 people have been arrested in three Bangladesh districts over last week’s religious violence in which agitated mobs attacked Buddhist temples, monasteries and homes following an alleged desecration of the Holy Quran, police said Tuesday.” — *Oct 2, Indiatvnews*

“Indian-Americans are by far the strongest supporters of US President Barack Obama, giving him an edge of 68 percent to five percent over his Republican challenger Mitt Romney, according to a new survey.” — *Oct 1, Indiatvnews*