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1. What is the theme of World Water Day celebrated on 22nd March, 2016

- a. Water – Its safeguard
- b. Water and its protection
- c. Conservation of Water
- d. Water and Jobs

Answer: d. Water and Jobs

World Water Day dates back to the 1992 United Nations Conference on Environment and Development where an international observance for water was recommended. The United Nations General Assembly responded by designating 22 March 1993 as the first World Water Day.

Today, almost half of the world's workers - 1.5 billion people - work in water related sectors and nearly all jobs depend on water and those that ensure its safe delivery. Yet the millions of people who work in water are often not recognized or protected by basic labour rights. The theme in 2016 – water and jobs – is focusing on how enough quantity and quality of water can change workers' lives and livelihoods - and even transform societies and economies.

2. Which of the following singer was recognized recently by Guinness book and Asia book record for singing most number of songs in Indian languages?

- a. Lata Mangeshkar
- b. Susheela Mohan
- c. Janaki
- d. Asha Bhosle

Answer: b. Susheela Mohan

3. The World's first White Tiger Safari has been opened for public in

- a. Haryana
- b. Bangalore
- c. Sundarbans
- d. Madhya Pradesh

Answer: d. Madhya Pradesh

World's first White Tiger Safari was inaugurated at Mukundpur in Satna district of Madhya Pradesh. The first of its kind safari is situated adjacent to the Mukundpur Zoological Park.

4. Recently in April 2016, Mary Kom was in news because

- a. Won a medal in Rio Olympics
- b. Broke her own World record
- c. Acted in her Biography film
- d. Was nominated as MP of Rajya Sabha

Answer: d. Was nominated as MP of Rajya Sabha

Mary Kom was nominated as the MP of Rajya Sabha in 25, April 2016 by the President of India.

5. Which country conferred its highest civilian award to our Prime Minister recently?

- a. China
- b. Russia
- c. Afghanistan
- d. United States

Answer: c. Afghanistan

The Prime Minister Narendra Modi has been conferred with Amir Amanullah Khan Award, Afghanistan's highest civilian honour by Afghan President Ashraf Ghani after the inauguration of the landmark Afghan-India Friendship Dam in Herat in June 2016.

The Amir Amanullah Khan medal is highest civilian honor of Afghanistan. The award is named after the Afghan national hero, Amanullah Khan (Ghazi), who championed the cause of Afghanistan's freedom. He was the ruler of the Emirate of Afghanistan from 1919-1929 who led Afghanistan to independence.

6. First Green Rail Corridor was launched recently in Tamil Nadu between

- a. Tiruchirappalli to Chennai
- b. Nagercoil to Madurai
- c. Coimbatore to Nilgiris
- d. Rameshwaram to Manamadurai

Answer: d. Rameshwaram to Manamadurai

The nation's first Green Rail Corridor, a 114-km long Rameshwaram-Manamadurai stretch in Tamil Nadu which ensures zero toilet discharge on rail tracks was inaugurated in July, 2016. Trains in the section have been equipped with bio-toilets ensuring zero discharge of human waste on the rail tracks.

7. The seventh India – Japan International Conference on Science and Technology was recently held in

- a. Bangalore
- b. Chennai
- c. Mumbai
- d. Mysore

Answer: d. Mysore

The seventh India-Japan International Conference on 'Science and Technology: Future Challenges and Solutions', was inaugurated at the University of Mysore in August, 2016.

8. The Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters (Chevalier de L'Ordre Arts et Lettres) award by the French Government was honoured recently to which tamil actor?

- a. Rajinikanth
- b. Kamal Haasan
- c. Dhanush
- d. Madhavan

Answer: b. Kamal Haasan

Other Indians who have been conferred the Chevalier Order include veteran musician Balamuralikrishna, and actors like Sivaji Ganesan, Amitabh Bachchan, Aishwarya Rai, Nandita Das and Shah Rukh Khan.

9. In Rio Olympics 2016, P V Sindhu got Silver medal for Badminton women singles. The Gold medal for the same game was secured by

- a. Carolina Marin (Spain)
- b. Nozomi Okuhara (Japan)
- c. Jung Kyung-eun (South Korea)
- d. Shin Seung-chan (South Korea)

Answer: a. Carolina Marin (Spain)

India in Rio Olymoics:

Silver	P. V. Sindhu	Badminton	Women's singles
Bronze	Sakshi Malik	Wrestling	Women's freestyle 58 kg

India still now has got 9 Gold medals, 7 Silver medals, 12 Bronze medals and hence totally 28 medals in summer Olympics. The first women to win medal in Olympics from India is Karnam Malleswari (Bronze: 2000 Sydney: in Weightlifting)

Also among Gold medalists, 8 was won by the National Hockey team and the another one gold was won by Abhinav Bindra in 2008 Beijing in Men's 10 m Air Rifle.

10. The Majuli Island was recently declared as the Largest River Island in the World by Guinness World Records. This Island is located in the river

- Indus
- Ganga
- Yamuna
- Brahmaputra

Answer: d. Brahmaputra.

Majuli Island on the Brahmaputra in Assam was declared the largest river island in the world, toppling Marajo in Brazil, by Guinness World Records on Thursday. The river island covers an area of around 880 sq km.

11. In Rio Paralympics 2016, for Men's high jump event Thangavelu Mariappan from Tamil Nadu secured

- Gold Medal
- Silver Medal
- Bronze Medal
- He didn't get any medal

Answer: a. Gold Medal

Thangavelu Mariappan from Salem District of Tamil Nadu secured Gold and Bhati Varun Singh from Uttar Pradesh secured Bronze in the 2016 Rio Paralympics Men's high jump T42 event.

Other 2016 Rio Paralympics medalists:

Devendra Jhajharia – Men's Javelin throw – Gold
Deepa Malik – Women's Shot Put – Silver

Totally – 4 medals.

12. World's largest Solar Power Plant was recently inaugurated at

- Gujarat
- Tamil Nadu
- Kerala
- Rajasthan

Answer: b. Tamil Nadu

Kamuthi Solar Power Project was inaugurated in September 2016 – the largest solar capacity in single location in the Ramanathapuram district of Tamil Nadu. Tamil Nadu is the state with highest installed solar power capacity in India as on September 2016. Kamuthi Solar Power Project with 648 mw capacity at a single location, was formally dedicated to the nation. With the

addition of this plant, the total installed capacity in Tamil Nadu is 2100 MW.

13. The recently launched book "Citizen and Society" was authored by

- a. Shri Narendra Modi
- b. Shri Pranab Mukerji
- c. Shri Rahul Gandhi
- d. Shri Hamid Ansari

Answer: d. Shri Hamid Ansari.

Mohammad Hamid Ansari is the 12th and current Vice President of India, in office since 2007. Ansari is the only person to get re-elected for the post of Vice President of India after Dr. Radhakrishnan. He also presently serves as President of the Indian Institute of Public Administration and Chancellor of Panjab University, Chandigarh.

14. What is the name of the Operation of the Indian Armed Forces to evacuate Indian Citizens from Yemen during 2015 Yemen Crisis?

- a. Operation Maitri
- b. Operation Meghdoot
- c. Operation Rahat
- d. Operation Poomalai

Answer: c. Operation Rahat.

The name Operation Rahat is also given for rescue measure in the 2013 Uttarakhand Floods. Operation Maitri deals with 2015 Nepal Earthquake rescue measures. Operation Meghdoot is the operation to capture Siachen Glacier (world's highest battle field) in the Line of Control Border in 1984. Operation Poomalai (also known as Eagle Mission 4) is the relief measures sent by India

against the Srilankan Government to give relief aid and food materials to Tamil nationals in Srilanka during 1987 Eelam war.

15. What is Airlander 10?

- a. Presently the Largest Flying Aircraft
- b. Name of India's Manned Moon Mission
- c. NASA's Mission for Pluto
- d. None of the above

Answer: a. Presently the Largest Flying Aircraft.

The Hybrid Air Vehicles HAV 304 / Airlander 10 is a hybrid airship designed and manufactured by the UK company Hybrid Air Vehicles (HAV). Comprising an airship with auxiliary wing and tail surfaces, it flies using both aerostatic and aerodynamic lift. Powered by four diesel-engine driven ducted propellers, it is the largest aircraft flying now.

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