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Which person has been appointed as the Director of Enforcement Directorate (ED)?

a) Karnal Singh  
b) Ajit Mishra  
c) Salman Som  
d) Arunesh Bhattacharya
Which area has been declared as world’s largest marine protected area?

a) Ross Sea
b) Red Sea
c) Mediterranean Sea
d) Caspian Sea
Which author has won the 2016 International Dublin Literary Award for his novel “Family Life”?

a) Akhil Sharma  
b) Manish Singh  
c) Chetan Bhagat  
d) Ramona Pradhan
Which is the first state to give the benefit of 7th Central Pay Commission (CPC) to its employees with effect from 1st January 2016?

a) Haryana
b) Madhya Pradesh
c) Uttar Pradesh
d) Rajasthan
Which female tennis player finished the 2016 year as WTA World No.1?

a) Serena Williams
b) Maria Sharapova
c) Angelique Kerber
d) Sania Mirza
Lonely Planet has named which country as top destination for travellers in 2017 in its ‘Best of 2017’ guidebook

a) USA
b) CANADA
c) India
d) New Zealand
Rajpati Devi passed away recently, she was related to which field?

a) Sports  
b) Journalism  
c) Politics  
d) Singing
Which company has acquired Sanovi Technologies to support its cloud offerings?

a) Infosys
b) TCS
c) IBM
d) HCL
Who has been appointed as next President and CEO of Swedish giant Ericsson?

A. Borje Ekholm
B. Marissa Myers
C. Bob Mcferlane
D. Simon Eriksson
Who was named as the ‘Stroke Ambassador for India’ at the 10th World Stroke Congress (WSC) ?

a) Amitabh Bacchan
b) Navjot Sidhu
c) P T Usha
d) Sunil Gavaskar
Which Bank has partnered with Tone Tag for contactless payments on its mobile wallet?

a) ICICI Bank
b) Axis Bank
c) Yes Bank
d) State Bank of India
23rd Rehabilitation International World Congress was held from 25-27 October, 2016 in which country?

a) Scotland  
b) Wales  
c) England  
d) France
The 5th edition of the India-China Cooperation Forum was held recently in which city?

a) Xinjiang
b) Mumbai
c) Taipei
d) Shanghai
Which state has the highest life expectancy, according to the data given by the Registrar General of India (RGI)?

a) Kerala
b) Jammu and Kashmir
c) Haryana
d) Uttarakhand
National Institute of Archaeology is being built at which city?

a) Varanasi
b) Allahabad
c) Kochi
d) Noida
Union Cabinet gave an ex-post facto approval for formation of the Indian Institute of Science Education & Research (IISER) in which state?

a) Orissa
b) Haryana
c) Punjab
d) Uttarakhand
Which state players became the champions in the National Cadet Corps (NCC) National Games held in New Delhi?

a) Uttar Pardesh
b) Haryana
c) Punjab
d) Kerala
According to an alarming report by WWF, Two-thirds of wild animals may go extinct by which year?

a) 2019
b) 2020
c) 2021
d) 2022
Which Indian pharma company has acquired US-based eye care specialist company Ocular Technologies?

a) Biocon
b) Torrent Pharma
c) Sun Pharma
d) Zydus Cadila
In the latest Forbes Fab 40 2016 list of the biggest sports brands in the world, which Indian player is ranked at 10th position?

a) M S Dhoni
b) Sania Mirza
c) Virat Kohli
d) P V Sindhu
Which player has topped the Forbes Fab 40 2016 list of the biggest sports brands in the world?

a) Roger Federer
b) Tiger Woods
c) Magnus Carlsen
d) Novak Djokovic
According to UN refugee agency United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), which year has been the deadliest year for migrants with a total of 3,740 people have died since January in the Mediterranean sea in the boat journey to Europe

a) 2015
b) 2016
c) 2014
d) 2013
Which Indian company has been ranked among the world’s top 10 employers in the biotechnology industry by an international science magazine.

a) Biocon  
b) Bio-India  
c) Sun Pharma  
d) Zydus Cadila
Indian trio of Dhanush Babu, Vikram Ingale and Nikhilesh Tabhane have won India’s first ever senior international medal in which sport?

a) Roller skating
b) Coordinated Yoga
c) Bicycling
d) Gymnastics
A fishing cat (Prionailurus viverrinus) was recently spotted where in India?

a) Machilipatnam, Andhra Pradesh
b) Bhitarkanika, Orissa
c) Periyar, Kerala
d) Kaziranga, Assam
Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) is observed across India on which day to commemorate birth anniversary of Independent India’s first Deputy Prime Minister Sardar Vallabhai Patel.

a) 30 October
b) 31 October
c) 29 October
d) 28 October
The World Cities Day is observed globally on which day with a view to work together for a planned and sustainable urban life

a) 31 October
b) 29 October
c) 28 October
d) 30 October
The first meeting of National Committee on Trade Facilitation (NCTF) was held in New Delhi to discuss ways for developing roadmap for implementation of WTOs trade facilitation agreement. It was headed by whom?

a) Amitabh Kant  
b) Niti Aayog chairman PM  
c) NSG Ajit Doval  
d) Cabinet Secretary P K Sinha
The European Union (EU) and which country have signed Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA)?

a) Mexico  
b) USA  
c) UK  
d) Canada
Which constitutional body that serves to facilitate coordination between states and the centre has been reconstituted by the Union Government?

a) Minority development commission  
b) Intra-State Council  
c) National development council  
d) Inter State Council
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The Union Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports has recognized which body as the National Sports Federation (NSF) for Boxing.

a) Boxing Federation of India (BFI)
b) Boxing Fund of India
c) All India Boxing administration
d) National boxing council
The emerging seaweed farming industry in the country will get a major boost with the Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI) recently transferring seaweed cultivation technology to which state/UT administration?

a) Andaman  
b) Lakshadweep  
c) Daman and Diu  
d) Vishakhapatnam
Which organisation/body has joined the network of Common Services Centers (CSC), for that it has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with CSC e-Governance Services India Limited (CSC SPV).

a) EPFO
b) CBDT
c) CBIT
d) NASSCOM
Which country will destroy all of its chemical weapons by end of 2017?

a) Russia  
b) USA  
c) Germany  
d) China
When do we celebrate the World Day for Audiovisual Heritage?

a) October 25th  
b) October 26th  
c) October 27th  
d) October 28th
Which IFS officer is appointed as India’s next High Commissioner to Australia?

a) Firoz Ahmed  
b) Navtej Singh Sarna  
c) Jarnail Singh  
d) Ajay Gondane
Who is the prime minister of Kyrgyzstan who resigned recently because the coalition rejected proposed constitutional reforms on expanded powers for the prime minister.

a) Sooronbai Jeenbekov  
b) Alexandra Sokolov  
c) Usmanov Berkat  
d) Vladimir Putin
Which state government has decided to procure 40 thousand Metric Tons of paddy at Minimum Support Price to help the flood affected farmers.

a) Uttar Pardesh  
b) Madhya Pardesh  
c) Sikkim  
d) Assam
Which Chief minister requested the central government to release Rs. 795.31 Crore to settle insurance claims of farmers in that state?

a) Uttar Pardesh
b) Sikkim
c) Andhra Pardesh
d) Odisha
India signed three agreements with which country on issues related to avoidance of double taxation, cooperation in the field of youth and sports affairs and food safety cooperation

a) New Zealand
b) USA
c) Germany
d) France
Which union ministry has launched two new schemes Biotech-KISAN and Cattle Genomics in order to apply science to boost rural economy

a) Ministry of Science and Technology
b) Ministry of Agriculture
c) Ministry of HRD
d) Ministry of information and broadcasting
L Narasimha Reddy committee has been appointed by the government for what?

a) Simplify tax system in India
b) Implementation of One rank One pension
c) Restructuring of Railways
d) New education policy
India start-ups will increase 2.2 times and will reach how many by by 2020 as revealed by the Indian Startup Ecosystem Maturing - 2016 report by Nasscom-ZINNOV

a) 90000
b) 10500
c) 1,20,000
d) 2,00,000
Which bank has launched ‘Insta Services’ to enable customers to click an image or upload the scanned copy of KYC documents

a) HSBC
b) YES
c) Bank of Maharashtra
d) Axis
Raj Begam passed away recently, she was related to which field? 

a) Art  
b) Journalism  
c) Sports  
d) Singing
The Union Agriculture Ministry has constituted which committee to monitor bird flu situation and help the state governments in taking steps to contain the spread of avian influenza (H5N8).

a) TSR subramanian committee
b) Santosh Tripathi committee
c) TVSN prasad committee
d) Dr Munialappa committee
Who has been elected chairman of global telecom body Global System Mobile Association for a two-year term

a) Sunil Mittal
b) Ratan Tata
c) Roshni Nadar
d) Mukesh Ambani
Which private bank recently launched its online money transfer service, ‘Money2India Europe’ in three countries taking the number of countries to 20 total

a) RBL
b) YES
c) ICICI
d) Dhan Lakshmi Bank
A United Nations General Assembly committee has voted to launch negotiations on a new treaty banning which type of weapons?

a) Cruise Missiles
b) Radioactive Bombs
c) Ballistic missiles
d) Nuclear Bombs
The Rabindranath Tagore Memorial Library and Resource Centre, renovated by the Government of India was inaugurated in which country recently

a) USA  

b) Nepal  

c) UK  

d) Sri Lanka
Name the two young Iraqis who escaped sexual slavery by the Islamic State and were honored with the Sakharov Prize

a) Nadia Murad and Lamiya Aji Bashar
b) Sakeena Ahmed and Muraiya Alfaz
c) Nadia Sulaiman and Hamas Almaktoom
d) Shama Parveen and Afreen Azab
Which state government will remove the upper age limit for widows and divorced women applying for government jobs in view the problems of those women who have crossed the age limit desire to work?

a) Madhya Pradesh  
b) Uttar Pradesh  
c) Haryana  
d) Punjab
The first National Ayurveda was observed on which date on the occasion of Dhanwantari Jayanti.

a) October 28  
b) October 29  
c) October 30  
d) October 31
What will be established by the central government for safe deposit, retrieval and verification of the certificates of students?

a) National Academic Depository (NAD)

b) National E-Learning center

c) Gyaan-Kendra

d) E-Paathshala
The Ministry of AYUSH has launched which mission to put a check on Diabetes through Ayurveda?

a) Mission Madhumeh
b) Mission Diabetes
c) Mission Sugar
d) Mission “No Sugar”
Which shuttler won the 2016 French Open Badminton in Men's category?

a) Chow Tien Chen  
b) H. S. Prannoy  
c) Ajay Jayaram  
d) Srikanth Kidambi
India has signed a new trade agreement with which country allowing free trade between the two countries?

a) Nepal  
b) Myanmar  
c) Bhutan  
d) Afghanistan
The RBI has permitted startups to raise external commercial borrowings (ECBs) of up to how much in a financial year to boost innovation & promoting job creation?

a) 3 million $

b) 4 million $

c) 5 million $

d) 6 million $
Who is the Japanese prince, also the uncle of Emperor Akihito, and oldest royal family member anywhere in the world who died at the age of 100 on 27th October.

a) Prince Mikasa
b) Prince Miyamachi
c) Prince Nakamura
d) Prince Attanhara
A new train was recently launched in Uttar Pradesh by Railway Minister Suresh Prabhu that will run between which two stations?

a) Anand Vihar to Ballia
b) Kannauj to Mainpuri
c) Allahabad to Ghaziipur
d) Bhadohi to Begu Sarai
Uttar Pradesh's first AMRIT pharmacy outlet was opened in which city recently?

a) Lucknow
b) Varanasi
c) Agra
d) Kanpur
Which state in India has become India’s second open defecation free state?

a) Sikkim 

b) UP 

c) MP 

d) Himachal Pradesh
Border-guarding troops deployed on posts above 9,000 feet will now be AWARDED 'high altitude medal' to recognise their services in the adverse climate areas in which country?

a) India
b) Nepal
c) Pakistan
d) Bangladesh
What is the India's rank in the new Global Youth Development Index compiled by the Commonwealth Secretariat?

a) 110
b) 120
c) 133
d) 145
Which two countries have become a member of the UN’s human rights council?

a) Croatia & Hungary  
b) Denmark & Finland  
c) Finland & Sweden  
d) Croatia & Sweden
The World Bank has appointed which person as its first adviser tasked with promoting the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex (LGBTI) issues

a) Alexandra Sokolov  
b) Rumaro Bordone  
c) Daniel Fishichelli  
d) Clifton Corteze
Who has been appointed chief executive of the World Bank replacing the bank’s managing director and chief operating officer Sri Mulyani.

a) Kristalina Georgieva  
b) Van De Boer  
c) Harry Deaton  
d) Sadik Naveed
India has signed an agreement with which country regarding prisoners?

a) Latvia
b) Estonia
c) Lithuania
d) Uzbekistan
Name the Indian documentary that won the award for best documentary at the 6th International Film Festival in Cairo, Egypt?

a) LGBT
b) Daughters of Mother India
c) Martial Rape - A disgrace
d) Daughters Reborn
The provisions of the Benami Act with effect from which date as notified by the income-tax department? The Benami Transactions (Prohibition) Amendment Act, 2016 seeks to give the government powers to confiscate benami properties—assets held in the name of another person or under a fictitious name to avoid taxation and conceal unaccounted-for wealth.

a) 1 November 2016
b) 30 November 2016
c) 1 December 2016
d) 1 January 2017
Which bank has signed a MoU with Metals and Minerals trading corporation of India (MMTC) for the sale of Indian Gold Coins (IGCs) in 5 gm, 10 gm and 20 gm denominations.

a) Andhra Bank
b) State Bank of India
c) Bank of Karnataka
d) Vijay Bank
What is the minimum wage per day that the Labour Ministry will pay for unskilled agricultural labour in C-class towns from 1\textsuperscript{st} November 2016?

a) 200  
b) 300  
c) 350  
d) 400
The 47th International Film Festival of India will be held where?

a) Goa
b) Mumbai
c) New Delhi
d) Bengaluru
Shashikala Kakodkar passed away recently, she was related to which field?

a) Cinema
b) Art
c) Politics
d) Sports
Which app has been launched by the Department of Personnel & Training (DoPT) under the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances to update on Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) appointments and postings on real time basis and to bring transparency.

a) Employees Online  
b) Workers Online  
c) Personnel HR  
d) Employee Selection
Which Indo Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) jawan was praised by PM Modi for contributing his salary to make his village in Himachal Pradesh open defecation free?

a) Vikas Thakur
b) Ajay Rathore
c) Bhagwant Das
d) Sankarshan Thakur
Who is the Spain's conservative prime minister who was voted back into power?

a) Mario Lopez  
b) Mariano Rajoy  
c) Pedro Sanchez  
d) Alexis De Pablo
OPEC and non-member oil producing countries held a meeting at which place to tackle plummeting oil prices?

a) Vienna  
b) Riyadh  
c) Caracas  
d) Bogota
Which bank will raise 6,000 crore in tranches from bonds to fund its business expansion?

a) State Bank of India
b) Punjab National Bank
c) Bank of Baroda
d) Indian Overseas Bank
Markets regulator SEBI has ordered how many firms to refund investors’ money, which they raised illegally, within three months.

a) 1  
b) 2  
c) 3  
d) 4
India's first 'Design Yatra' will be conducted in Kerala's which city between October 29-31, 2016 during which competitions, heritage walk, talks and interaction with students will be conducted

a) Kozhikode 
b) Thiruananthpuram 
c) Kochi 
d) Munnar
India and Russia have agreed to double the range of which supersonic cruise missile from 290 km to over 600 km?

a) Brahmos
b) Satan 2
c) Agni 2
d) Barak
Under Swachh Maharashtra Mission, what title was given to three Maharashtra women for their immense contribution to cleanliness campaigns?

a) Swachhatadoot  
b) Cleanliness Ambassador  
c) Cleanliness-Doot  
d) Swacchtadevi
Which Indian female cricket bowler rose to number 1 in the ICC ODI rankings?

a) Swapnil Sharma
b) Kanchan Pilot
c) Jhulan Goswami
d) Satvi Mishra
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