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Which among these countries has named a street after the famous Indian poet, Rabindranath Tagore, recently?

- A. USA
- B. Japan
- C. Bangladesh
- D. Israel

Points to Know (PTN):

Israel has named a street in Tel Aviv after celebrated Indian poet Rabindranath Tagore as a tribute on his 159th birthday.

Under which of the following initiative, one dedicated TV channel per class from class 1 to class 12 will be started for students to study online?

- A. Pradhan Mantri e-Gyaan
- B. Pradhan Mantri e-Vishaya
- C. Pradhan Mantri e-Vidhya
- D. Pradhan Mantri e-Shiksha

PTN:

The dedicated TV channels, Swayam Prabha, will telecast recorded and live programmes for six hours on all working days with three repeat telecasts—making these 24x7 channels.

FDI limit in Defence manufacturing under automatic route has been recently increased up to:

- A. 49%
- B. 51%
- C. 75%
- D. 74%

PTN:

The GoI announced a slew of measures to promote indigenisation of defence production under its 'Make in India' initiative, including raising the foreign direct investment (FDI) cap from 49% to 74% via the automatic route.

Which of the following EU countries recently held presidential elections and had zero turnout due to coronavirus?

- A. Austria
- B. Belgium
- C. Poland
- D. Greece

PTN:

It is termed as ghost election.

The predicament happened because the presidential ballot is formally neither postponed nor cancelled, because the government and opposition were unable to agree on a constitutional and safe solution.

As per the UN forecast, the world economy will shrink by how much percentage due to the COVID-19 outbreak?

A. 3.2%

B. 1.9%

C. 2.9%

D. 0.8%

PTN:

This if true will be the sharpest contraction since the Great Depression in the 1930s.

What is the name of the cyclone which recently hit the Indian state of West Bengal and Odisha?

- A. Cyclone Fani
- B. Cyclone Nisarga
- C. Cyclone Amphan
- D. Cyclone Gaja

PTN:

Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced Rs 1,500 crore for the relief and rehabilitation of people affected by Cyclone Amphan in West Bengal and Odisha, and assured the states of more support after conducting separate aerial surveys.

Which of the following US private equity firm has invested Rs. 6598.38 crore in Reliance Jio recently?

- A. The Blackstone Group
- B. General Atlantic
- C. KKR & Co.
- D. Bain Capital

PTN:

General Atlantic will have 1.34% stake in Jio now.

This will be the fourth investment in the Reliance Industries Ltd (RIL) business in rapid succession, following those by social media major Facebook and private equity funds Silver Lake and Vista Equity Partners.

Which of these banks has become the 1st Indian bank to allow "zero-contact" onboarding service?

- A. Bank of Baroda
- B. Kotak Mahindra Bank
- C. Axis Bank
- D. HDFC Bank

PTN:

Kotak Mahindra has introduced video-KYC facility for customers opening savings account on Kotak 811 - the banks digital banking platform.



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India has recently become the _____ country in the world to join the elite club of producing high horsepower locomotive indigenously.

- A. 4th
- B. 5th
- C. 6th
- D. 7th



Source: IndiaToday

PTN:

The first 12000 HP made in India Locomotive, manufactured by Madhepura Electric Loco Factory situated in Bihar, was put into operation by Indian Railways from Pt Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Jn Station.

Who among the following is elected as the chairman of WHO's Executive Board recently?

- A. Mr. Piyush Goyal
- B. Dr. Harsh Vardhan
- C. Mr. J.P. Nadda
- D. Mr. Rajnath Singh

PTN:

Dr Harsh Vardhan, who took over from Dr Hiroki Nakatani of Japan, would chair the 148th session of the Executive Board in January 2021.

Which state government has launched the Rajiv Gandhi Kisan Nyay Yojna for direct cash transfers to around 2 million farmers in four instalments?

- A. Chhattisgarh
- B. Punjab
- C. Rajasthan
- D. None

PTN:

According to the government, at least 19 lakh farmers will benefit from the scheme, for which the state government had allocated Rs 5,756 crore in the budget 2020-21.

India has become the _____ largest manufacturer of personal protective equipment (PPE) body coveralls.

- A. 4th
- B. 3rd
- C. 2nd
- D. 1st

PTN:

According to the government, India is only behind China in terms of producing both quality and quantity of PPE coveralls going up to the desired levels within a very short span of time of two months.



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Which Indian state will inaugurate 'Everybody will get employment' scheme through video conferencing?

- A. Madhya Pradesh
- B. Uttar Pradesh
- C. Rajasthan
- D. Punjab

PTN:

Under this scheme, MNREGA job cards will be distributed to the labourers. 4 lakh 82 thousand labourers of Madhya Pradesh stranded in different states have returned so far. At the same time, more than one lakh labourers have been sent back to their home states.

Which of the following countries has withdrawn from the “Treaty on Open Skies”?

- A. Russia
- B. UK
- C. USA
- D. Canada

PTN:

The treaty establishes a program of unarmed aerial surveillance flights over the entire territory of its participants. (35)

The Trump administration said that Russia repeatedly violated the pact’s terms.



Which of the following countries' Navy has successfully tested a new high-energy laser weapon that can destroy aircraft mid-flight recently?

A. India

B. Brazil

C. China

D. USA

Which of these automobile companies operating in India has launched “Buy-Now-Pay-Later” scheme?

- A. Hyundai
- B. Mahindra & Mahindra
- C. Kia
- D. Maruti Suzuki

PTN:

The country's largest carmaker Maruti Suzuki India announced partnership with Cholamandalam Investment & Finance Company Ltd to provide customised auto retail financing solutions to retail buyers.

The new solution will allow customers to start paying the EMIs after 60 days of loan disbursement.

Which of the following Indian firms has acquired the firm: Sunrise Foods Pvt. Ltd?

- A. Parle
- B. Amul
- C. Haldiram's
- D. ITC

PTN:

ITC Ltd has entered into a share purchase agreement (SPA) to acquire 100 per cent of the equity share capital of Sunrise Foods Private Limited (SFPL), a company primarily engaged in the business of spices.

Which of the following countries secured the spot as the top source of foreign direct investment into India?

- A. USA
- B. Mauritius
- C. Singapore
- D. China

PTN:

Singapore, for the 2nd consecutive year, became the top FDI source for India. It constituted for about 30% of total FDI inflows for 2019-20.

Which of the following countries has recently announced the termination of its relationship with World Health Organization over its handling of the Corona virus?

- A. USA
- B. China
- C. Australia
- D. South Africa

PTN:

Trump has criticized the WHO for failing to quickly sound the alarm when the novel virus emerged and accused it of helping China cover up the threat it posed.

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- Which private NBFC has launched the voicebot “TIA” on WhatsApp?
- Who recently took over as the President of NDB (New Development Bank)?
- Who topped the Hurun India Art List 2020 for the second year in a row?

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