Q1. Who was appointed as chairman of Inter State Council Which was formulated recently to investigate and advise on disputes between states?
Answer: Narendra Modi
Explanation: The Inter-State Council, which is mandated to investigate and advise on disputes between states, has been reconstituted with Prime Minister Narendra Modi as its chairman and six Union ministers and all chief ministers as members.

Q2. India’s first space museum was inaugurated in which city?
Answer: Hyderabad
Explanation: With interest in space among public zooming up courtesy the successful flight of the Chandrayaan-2 mission to the moon, India’s first Space Science Museum opened in Hyderabad.

Q3. The 5th BRICS Minister of Environment Meeting was held in Which country?
Answer: Brazil
Explanation: 5th BRICS Minister of Environment Meeting was held in Sao Paulo, Brazil. Union Environment Minister Prakash Javadekar along with Environment Ministers of other 4 countries attended the meeting.

Q4. Recently the government came out with new GDP series to align with global method. What was the base year taken for it?
Answer: 2011-12
Explanation: The government has come out with a linked back-series of India’s growth numbers from 1950-51 to 2003-04, with 2011-12 as the base year, to align gross domestic product numbers from past years with the new internationally accepted methodology and facilitate comparisons.

Q5. As per Australia and New Zealand Banking Group (ANZ), At How much percent India’s GDP growth will be in 2019-20?
Answer: 6.2%
Explanation: The Australia and New Zealand Banking Group (ANZ) slashed its forecast for India’s economic growth to 6.2% in the financial year ending next March from a previous estimate of 6.5%, warning it would be tough for authorities to engineer a turnaround.

Q6. Which country won the inaugural T20 Physical Disability World Cricket?
Answer: India
Explanation: Title favourites India lifted the inaugural T20 Physical Disability World Cricket Series after defeating hosts England by 36 runs in the finals.

Q7. Who has became India’s first junior World Champion in 18 years?
Answer: Deepak Punia
Explanation: Wrestler Deepak Punia has become India’s first junior World Champion in 18 years. He claimed a gold medal at the Junior Worlds with a win over Russia’s Alik Shebzukhov at Tallinn, Estonia.

Q8. Who has been conferred with Tamil Nadu’s Dr APJ Abdul Kalam Award?
Answer: K Sivan
Explanation: K. Sivan, chairman of the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), was awarded on Thursday the Tamil Nadu government’s Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Award.

Q9. Recently Neelum Sharma passed away. She belongs to which field?
Answer: Journalist
Senior journalist Neelum Sharma, a founding anchor with over 20 years of association with DD News, has passed away. Neelum, known for programmes like ‘Badi Charcha’ and ‘Tejasvini’, was conferred with the Nari Shakti Award by President Ram Nath Kovind earlier this year. She was also a widely acclaimed filmmaker with more than 60 documentaries to her credit.

Q10. Who is the author of “Kashmir’s Untold Story: Declassified”?
Answer: Iqbal Chand Malhotra and Maroof Raza
Explanation: A new book will tell the riveting story of the history of Jammu and Kashmir, from the time of its political and geographic consolidation under Maharaja Gulab Singh to the present-day. Titled, “Kashmir’s Untold Story: Declassified”, the book penned by filmmaker Iqbal Chand Malhotra and defence analyst Maroof Raza, will hit stands on September 18. The book, which comes after the scrapping of Article 370 and 35A earlier this month, will also shed light on why the special status was “integral to the accession treaty”.

Q11. Recently PM Narendra Modi gave Which motto to push digital payments all over the country?
Answer: Yes to Digital Payment, No to cash
Explanation: Giving a fresh push to digital transactions in the country, Prime Minister Narendra Modi gave the motto of ‘yes to digital payment, no to cash”. He called for increasing the use of digital payments all over the country.

Q12. According to Union Health Minister Harsh Vardhan, Which vaccine to prevent diarrhoea will be expanded across India by September 2019?
Answer: Rotavirus
Explanation: The plan to provide the Rotavirus vaccine to prevent diarrhoea will be now be expanded across India by September, Union Health Minister Harsh Vardhan said.

Q13. The 14th edition of KONKAN series held between Indian Navy and Which other country?
Answer: Kolkata
Explanation: The 14th Edition of KONKAN series of annual bilateral exercises between Indian Navy and Royal Navy of Britain is currently underway off the South Coast of UK.

Q14. Which state government announced the “Mo Sarkar” initiative during Independence Day celebration?
Answer: Odisha
Explanation: In a bid to ensure transparency in governance, Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik announced the “Mo Sarkar” initiative during Independence Day celebration in the state.

Q15. Recently Aditya Birla Health Insurance has entered into a bancassurance partnership with which bank?
Answer: Axis Bank
Explanation: Aditya Birla Health Insurance (ABHI), a stand-alone health insurer, has entered into a bancassurance partnership with Axis Bank, the country’s third largest private sector bank.

Q16. Who headed the panel that was constituted for making CSR non compliance a civil offence?
Answer: Injeti Srinivas
Explanation: A government-constituted high level panel on August 13 recommended making expenditure on CSR tax deductible as well as treat non-compliance with CSR requirements a civil offence under the companies law.

Q17. Who became the first batsman to score 20,000 international runs in a single decade?
Answer: Virat Kohli
Explanation: Indian skipper Virat Kohli added yet another feather in his cap as he became the first batsman to score 20,000 international runs in a single decade.
Q18. Who has been awarded the 2019 Prem Bhatia Award for Outstanding Political Reporting?
   Answer: Rajdeep Sardesai
   Explanation: Veteran journalist and consulting editor at India Today TV Rajdeep Sardesai has been awarded the 2019 Prem Bhatia Award for Outstanding Political Reporting.

Q19. Recently Vidya Sinha passed away. She was related to which field?
   Answer: Actress
   Explanation: Film and television actress Vidya Sinha, who was known for her roles in films like Pati Patni Aur Woh and Chhoti Si Baat, has passed away at the age of 71. The actress was admitted to hospital after she had complained of breathlessness.

Q20. Recently VB Chandrasekhar passed away. He was related to which field?
   Answer: Sports
   Explanation: Former Indian batsman VB Chandrasekhar has passed away following a heart attack. He was 57. Chandrasekhar was an aggressive opening batsman and played a vital role in the Tamil Nadu’s second Ranji Trophy title in 1987-88.

Q21. How much amount has been deposited in over 36 crore bank accounts under the Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) as per latest data?
   Answer: Rs 1 lakh crore
   Explanation: More than Rs 1 lakh crore have been deposited in over 36 crore bank accounts opened under the Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY).

Q22. The world’s first museum dedicated to the life and times of Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu was opened in which city?
   Answer: Kolkata
   Explanation: The world’s first museum dedicated to the life and times of Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu, the 16th-century mystic and saint, and the chief proponent of the Gaudiya Vaishnavism tradition, has been inaugurated by Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee in Kolkata.

Q23. Recently Which city’s Hazratganj Chauraha has been renamed as Atal Chowk?
   Answer: Lucknow
   Explanation: Lucknow’s famous ‘Hazratganj Chauraha’ has been renamed as ‘Atal Chowk’ in memory of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

Q24. Recently Tirur Betel leaf gets GI tag. It belongs to which state?
   Answer: Kerala
   Explanation: A Four new products – Palani Panchamirtham from Palani Town in Dindigul District of Tamil Nadu State, Tawlhlohpuan and Mizo Puancheif from the state of Mizoram and Tirur Betel leaf from Kerala – received Geographical Indication (GI) under the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade.

Q25. Who is the author of novel “Second Night”?
   Answer: Rajiv Dogra
   Explanation: Former diplomat Rajiv Dogra, who has penned two books on Indo-Pak relations and the Durand Line, has just come out with his third novel.

Q26. Recently Ranjit Guru passed away. He was related to which field?
   Answer: Journalist
Explanation: Senior journalist and Editor of language daily Sambad’s editorial page Ranjit Guru passed away following illness. He was 61.

Q27. Recently President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated the underground Bunker Museum in which city?
Answer: Mumbai
Explanation: President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurated the underground Bunker Museum at Raj Bhavan in Mumbai. The 15,000 square feet underground bunker museum has virtual reality booths in which visitors can “time travel” to the 19th century.

Q28. Which state government launched “School Fagadaba” scheme to improve the infrastructure of government schools in the state?
Answer: Manipur
Explanation: Manipur Chief Minister N Biren Singh launched “School Fagadaba” scheme to improve the infrastructure of government schools in the state.

Q29. Which state government announced the formation of ‘Lemru Elephant Reserve’ (LER)?
Answer: Chhattisgarh
Explanation: Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel announced the formation of ‘Lemru Elephant Reserve’ (LER) in Korba, Chhattisgarh. Spanning over an area of 450 square kilometres, LER is aimed at minimizing human-elephant conflict and destruction of property in addition to providing a permanent habitat for the wild tuskers.

Q30. The 9 day Aadi Mahotsav was celebrated in which city?
Answer: Leh
Explanation: Tribal Affairs Ministry and Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India (TRIFED) are jointly organizing a 9- Day Aadi Mahotsav (National Tribal Festival) between August 17 to August 25, in Leh-Ladakh.

Q31. Which currency has become Asia’s worst-performing currency in August 2019?
Answer: Rupee
Explanation: The Indian rupee has become Asia’s worst-performing currency in August amid foreign fund outflows, global trade tensions and pressure from China’s yuan. The local currency has slumped 3.49% against the US dollar so far this month, heading towards its second-worst monthly loss in four years.

Q32. Which University has won the Maulana Abul Kalam Azad (MAKA) Trophy?
Answer: Punjab University
Explanation: Punjab University, Chandigarh has won the Maulana Abul Kalam Azad (MAKA) trophy, the Selection Committee for sports awards 2019 announced.

Q33. Recently Deepa Malik has been chosen to get the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award. She is related to which sports?
Answer: Shot put
Explanation: Rio Paralympics silver medallist Deepa Malik is all set to get the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna award in Para Athletics. It is the country’s highest sporting honour.

Q34. Who bagged a gold medal in the women’s 300m race at the Athleticky Mitink Reiter in the Czech Republic?
Answer: Hima Das
Explanation: Top Indian Sprinter Hima Das bagged a gold medal in the women’s 300m race at the Athleticky Mitink Reiter in the Czech Republic.
Q35. Who bagged a gold medal in the men’s 300m race at the Athleticky Mitink Reiter in the Czech Republic?
Answer: Muhammed Anas
Explanation: Indian ace athlete Muhammed Anas bagged a gold medal in the men’s 300m race at the Athleticky Mitink Reiter in the Czech Republic.

Q36. Recently Ashley Cole announcement his retirement from which sports?
Answer: Football
Explanation: Derby County’s Ashley Cole (from UK) announced his retirement from football.

Q37. Who created another world record of solving pyraminx (pyramid-shaped rubik’s cube) puzzles while riding a bicycle?
Answer: Chinmay Prabhu
Explanation: Guinness Book of World Records holder Chinmay Prabhu made another world record of solving pyraminx (pyramid-shaped rubik’s cube) puzzles while riding a bicycle.

Q38. Recently Jagannath Mishra passed away. He was the former CM of which state?
Answer: Bihar
Explanation: Former Bihar Chief Minister Jagannath Mishra passed away. He was 82 and unwell for several months. Mishra was a three-time Chief Minister of the State.

Q39. In which state, celebrations to mark 100 years of Chrysostum will be held?
Answer: Kerala
Explanation: A function will be held in Kerela to celebrate the Guinness Book of World Records entry of 100 Years of Chrysostum, a biographical documentary on Metropolitan Emeritus of the Malankara Mar Thoma Syrian Church of Malabar, Philipose Mar Chrysostum.

Q40. The first Central Institute of Chemical Engineering & Technology (CICET) will be set up in which state?
Answer: Gujarat
Explanation: Union Minister of State for Chemical & Fertilizers Mansukh Mandaviya has announced that the first Central Institute of Chemical Engineering & Technology (CICET) will be set up in Gujarat.

Q41. Recently five new species of fish were discovered in which state?
Answer: Arunachal Pradesh
Explanation: In Arunachal Pradesh, researchers of the Rajiv Gandhi University have discovered five new fish species in various districts of the state.

Q42. According to an analysis of a National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) data released by environmental NGO Greenpeace, Which country is becoming world’s biggest sulphur dioxide emitter?
Answer: India
Explanation: According to an analysis of a National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) data released by environmental NGO Greenpeace, India has more than 15 percent of all anthropogenic sulphur dioxide (SO2) hotspots in the world detected by the OMI (Ozone Monitoring Instrument) satellite.

Q43. Which country commemorated first glacier lost to climate change recently?
Answer: Iceland
Explanation: Iceland unveiled a plaque to its Okjokull ice sheet, the first of the country’s hundreds of glaciers to melt away due to climate change.
Q44. Which country won gold at the Under 12 Asian Tennis Team championship held in Kazakhstan?
Answer: India
Explanation: India have won gold at the Under 12 Asian Tennis Team championship held in Kazakhstan. India defeated Chinese Taipei 2-1 in the summit clash to win the title.

Q45. Which city to host World Youth Chess Meet 2019?
Answer: Mumbai
Explanation: The prestigious World Youth Chess Championship will be held in Mumbai in October 2019. India’s latest chess sensation and the world’s second youngest Grand Master Praggnanandhaa R from Chennai will be the star attraction at the Championship.

Q46. Who became the first “concussion substitute” in a Test Cricket History?
Answer: Marnus Labuschagne
Explanation: Australia’s top order batsman Marnus Labuschagne became the first like-for-like substitute in the 142-year history of Test cricket after Steve Smith was ruled out of the remainder of the second Ashes Test in Lord’s. Smith was diagnosed with concussion caused by a blow to his neck from England seamer Jofra Archer.

Q47. Who has been appointed as new MD and CEO of Vodafone Idea?
Answer: Ravinder Takkar
Explanation: Vodafone Idea announced that Balesh Sharma has stepped down from the position of chief executive officer (CEO) citing personal reasons. Ravinder Takkar, currently Vodafone Group’s representative in India, will be appointed as the new MD and CEO with immediate effect.

Q48. Recently Mohammed Zahur Khayyam passed away. He was related to which field?
Answer: Music Director and Composer
Explanation: Legendary music director-composer Mohammed Zahur Khayyam famed for his compositions in films like ‘Kabhie Kabhie’ and ‘Umrao Jaan’ has passed away.

Q49. Recently President Edgar Chagwa Lungu arrived in India. He is the President of Which country?
Answer: Zambia
Explanation: President of Zambia Edgar Chagwa Lungu arrived in New Delhi on a three-day visit to India. Mr Lungu will meet President Ram Nath Kovind and will hold delegation-level talks with Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Q50. Indian Railway’s 2nd double-decker Uday (Utkrisht Double-Decker Air Conditioned Yatri) Express will run between Visakhapatnam and Which city?
Answer: Vijayawada
Explanation: Indian Railway’s 2nd double-decker Uday (Utkrisht Double-Decker Air Conditioned Yatri) Express will run between Visakhapatnam and Vijayawada. The train would consist of 9 double-decker coaches and 2 power cars.

Q51. Which state government launched Sarbat Sehat Bima Yojana’?
Answer: Punjab
Explanation: Paying tribute to former Prime Minister late Rajiv Gandhi on his 75th birth anniversary, Punjab Chief Minister Capt. Amarinder Singh launched his government’s flagship universal health insurance scheme ‘Sarbat Sehat Bima Yojana’, benefitting nearly 46 lakh families in the state.

Q52. What is the name of new robot that has been unveiled at Guwahati Uruka Restaurant?
Answer: Palki
Explanation: The humanoid robot Palki unveiled at the Guwahati’s Uruka restaurant, a women-run eatery, recently
has been a hit with patrons, especially the younger generation who enjoy the novelty of being served by her.

Q53. Which organisation handed over the design of Mobile Metallic Ramp (MMR) to the Indian Army?
Answer: DRDO
Explanation: Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) handed over the design of Mobile Metallic Ramp (MMR) to the Indian Army.

Q54. Who has become the first Asian swimmer to cross the Catalina Channel of America?
Answer: Satendra Singh Lohia
Explanation: Divyang Satendra Singh Lohia from Madhya Pradesh has become the first Asian swimmer to cross the Catalina Channel of America. Satendra holds the Asian record of crossing both the English and Catalina channels.

Q55. Who won the women’s title in Cincinnati Masters titles in Ohio?
Answer: Madison Keys
Explanation: Russia’s Daniil Medvedev and American Madison Keys recorded straight-set victories to win the men’s and women’s Cincinnati Masters titles in Ohio.

Q56. Who won the 2019 South Asian Spelling Bee competition?
Answer: Navneet Murali
Explanation: The Navneeth Murali, an Indian-American teenager from New Jersey won the 2019 South Asian Spelling Bee, after correctly spelling the word “flipe” to earn the national title and $3,000 grand prize.

Q57. Recently Babulal Gaur passed away. He was related to which field?
Answer: Politics
Explanation: Former Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh Babulal Gaur has passed away. He was 89. Gaur served as the Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh from August 2004 to November 2005.

Q58. Recently Akhilesh Singh passed away. He was related to which field?
Answer: Politics
Explanation: Five-time MLA and the “Robin Hood of Rae Bareli” Akhilesh Singh has passed away after a prolonged illness.

Q59. How much amount was given by India to Nepal for housing reconstruction?
Answer: NPR 2.45 billion
Explanation: India handed over a cheque of NPR 2.45 billion to Nepal on towards the reimbursement for housing reconstruction in Nuwakot and Gorkha Districts during the Fifth Joint Commission Metting (JCM) held in Kathmandu.

Q60. Recently Union HRD Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishnak launched which mission to improve learning outcomes at elementary level?
Answer: NISHTHA
Explanation: Union Human Resource Development Minister Shri Ramesh Pokhriyal ‘Nishank’ launched the National Mission to improve Learning Outcomes at the Elementary level – NISHTHA, National Initiative for School Heads and Teachers Holistic Advancement. During the programme, NISHTHA Website, Training Modules, Primer Booklet and a Mobile App were also launched by the Minister.

Q61. Which state tribal development department has launched an academic programme for young tribal students aspiring to be doctors and engineers known as Super 50?
Answer: Maharashtra
Explanation: Maharashtra’s Tribal Development Department in association with the Pace Educational Trust launched an academic programme for young tribal students aspiring to be doctors and engineers.

Q62. Which state has emerged as the best state for setting up a roof top solar project according to the State Rooftop Solar Attractiveness Index–SARAL?
Answer: Karnataka
Explanation: Karnataka has emerged as the best state for setting up a roof top solar project according to the State Rooftop Solar Attractiveness Index–SARAL released by the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy. Telangana, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh come next in the rankings but all four have been graded A++.

Q63. The World Economic Forum India Economic Summit will be held in which city/UT?
Answer: New Delhi
Explanation: Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and tennis star Sania Mirza will be among co-chairs for India Economic Summit to be held in New Delhi in October by the World Economic Forum, where hundreds of Indian and global leaders would discuss India’s role in South Asia and on the world stage.

Q64. Recently Amazon opened its largest campus building globally in which city?
Answer: Hyderabad
Explanation: E-commerce giant Amazon has formally opened its largest campus building anywhere globally in Hyderabad, a facility spread over 9.5 acres and comprising three million square feet of built up area.

Q65. Which country’s Cerebras System has unveiled world’s largest computer chip?
Answer: USA
Explanation: US’ Artificial intelligence(AI) company Cerebras Systems has unveiled the world’s largest single silicon-based processor named Cerebras Wafer Scale Engine(WSE). This chip has 1.2 trillion transistors, the basic on-off electronic switches that are the building blocks of silicon chips.

Q66. What is the rank of Delhi in fastest growing prime market globally on Knight Frank’s Prime Global Cities Index?
Answer: 10th
Explanation: Delhi is the 10th fastest growing prime market globally on Knight Frank’s Prime Global Cities Index. The capital region, by virtue of its limited supply of luxury properties, saw a 4.4 per cent rise in weighted average of capital values.

Q67. Which country’s women hockey team won Olympic Test Event in Tokyo?
Answer: India
Explanation: The Indian Women’s Hockey team won the Olympic Test Event by registering a 2-1 win against Japan in the final at Oi Hockey Stadium in Tokyo, Japan.

Q68. Who was appointed as new Defence Secretary?
Answer: Ajay Kumar
Explanation: The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) approved the appointment of senior IAS officer Ajay Kumar as the new Defence Secretary. He will replace Sanjay Mitra whose term ends on August 23.

Q69. Who was appointed as new Cabinet Secretary?
Answer: Rajiv Gauba
Explanation: Union Home Secretary Rajiv Gauba has been appointed the new Cabinet Secretary, the country’s top bureaucratic post, for a tenure of two years. He will succeed P K Sinha.
Q70. Recently Abdalla Hamdok was sworn in as new PM of which country?

**Answer:** Sudan

**Explanation:** Prominent economist Abdalla Hamdok has been sworn in as Sudan’s new prime minister, leading the country’s transitional cabinet months after a mass protest movement forced the military removal of long-time authoritarian President Omar al-Bashir.

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**Static GK Questions Based on Current Affairs**

Q1. What is the currency of Bulgaria?

**Answer:** Lev

Q2. Where is the HQ of Aditya Birla Health Insurance Co Ltd?

**Answer:** Mumbai

Q3. Where is Tashichhoedzong Palace situated?

**Answer:** Thimphu, Bhutan

Q4. Where is Paro International Airport located?

**Answer:** Bhutan

Q5. Where is the HQ of National Institute of Health and Family Welfare?

**Answer:** New Delhi

Q6. Where is the HQ of ISRO?

**Answer:** Bengaluru

Q7. What is the currency of Brazil?

**Answer:** Real

Q8. Where is the HQ of Reserve Bank of India?

**Answer:** Mumbai
Q9. When was Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana launched?
Answer: 2014

Q10. What is the capital of Bhutan?
Answer: Thimphu

Q11. Where is the HQ of HCL Technologies?
Answer: Noida

Q12. What is the currency of Bhutan?
Answer: Ngultrum

Q13. Where is the HQ of NASA?
Answer: Washington DC

Q14. What is the currency of Iceland?
Answer: Krona

Q15. Where is the HQ of Science and Engineering Research Board?
Answer: New Delhi

Q16. What is the Motto of Defence Research and Development Organisation?
Answer: Strength Origin is in Science

Q17. When was Prasar Bharti founded?
Answer: 1997

Q18. Where is the HQ of Indian Oil Corporation Limited?
Answer: New Delhi

Q19. Where is the HQ of World Economic Forum?
Answer: Cologny

Q20. Where is the HQ of YES Bank?
Answer: Mumbai

Q21. What is the currency of Nepal?
Answer: Nepalese rupee
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