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1.Which is the nodal ministry for implementing the Poshan Pakhwada initiative?

- [A] Ministry of Women and Child Development
- [B] Ministry of Social Justice
- [C] Ministry of Finance
- [D] Ministry of Home Affairs

Correct Answer: A [Ministry of Women and Child Development]

The Ministry of Women and Child Development is celebrating the 7th edition of Poshan Pakhwada from April 8th to 22nd, 2025. It aims to raise awareness about nutrition and promote healthy eating habits through public participation and involvement. The themes include focusing on the first 1000 days of life, promoting the Beneficiary/Citizen Module of Poshan Tracker, managing malnutrition through Community-Based Management of Acute Malnutrition (CMAM), and addressing obesity in children.

2.Which country has launched the “Three Gorges Antarctic Eye,” a 3.2-metre aperture radio and millimetre-wave telescope?

- [A] China
- [B] Russia

[C] India

[D] United States

Correct Answer: A [China]

China has launched the “Three Gorges Antarctic Eye,” a 3.2-metre aperture radio and millimetre-wave telescope at Zhongshan Station in Antarctica. It is designed to study interstellar gas like hydrogen and ammonia and to explore star formation in deep space. The telescope can operate in Antarctica’s extreme cold and strong winds, making it a major engineering success. It builds on China’s earlier Antarctic Survey Telescopes (AST3) projects. The telescope was developed by China Three Gorges University and Shanghai Normal University to boost China’s space science research.

3.Which state has reported the discovery of 2,000-year-old Megalithic relics in April 2025?

[A] Karnataka

[B] Kerala

[C] Tamil Nadu

[D] Odisha

Correct Answer: B [Kerala]

Ancient relics around 2,000 years old from the Megalithic Period were discovered in Manimoola village, Bandadukka, Kerala. A Megalith is a large stone used in building prehistoric monuments, either by itself or with other stones. These structures were made for burial purposes, called sepulchral, and for commemorative rituals, called non-sepulchral. Most Megaliths in India belong to the Iron Age, which lasted from 1500 BCE to 500 BCE. Some megalithic sites in India are even older and go back to 2000 BCE, showing a long history of early human settlements.

4.PSLV Orbital Experimental Module-4 (POEM-4) is a space research platform developed by which space organization?

- [A] European Space Agency (ESA)
- [B] Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)
- [C] Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA)
- [D] China National Space Administration (CNSA)

Correct Answer: B [Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)]

POEM-4, or PSLV Orbital Experiment Module-4, recently re-entered Earth's atmosphere and fell into the Indian Ocean, as tracked by ISRO's IS4OM (System for Safe and Sustainable Space Operations Management). It is a space research platform developed by ISRO (Indian Space Research Organisation) using the spent fourth stage (PS4) of the PSLV (Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle) rocket as an orbiting lab. POEM-4 is part of the SpaDeX (Space Docking Experiment) mission and is the fourth in the POEM series, after POEM-3. It has three times more payload capacity than POEM-3, showing major progress in reusing rocket stages for science.

5.Mount Kanlaon, that was recently seen in news, is located in which country?

- [A] Indonesia
- [B] Japan
- [C] Vietnam
- [D] Philippines

Correct Answer: D [Philippines]

Mount Kanlaon, a stratovolcano in north-central Negros Island, Philippines, recently erupted, sending a 4,000-metre ash plume into the sky. It is the highest mountain on Negros and the 42nd tallest

island peak in the world. It is part of the Pacific Ring of Fire and one of the most active volcanoes in the Philippines. The volcano has multiple pyroclastic cones and craters, including a northern caldera with a crater lake and a smaller, active southern crater. Its base covers 30 km by 14 km, made of lava flows, lahar, airfall tephra, and pyroclastic deposits. It supports rich biodiversity and serves as a water source for major rivers on Negros Island. Since 1866, eruptions have mostly been small phreatic explosions with light ashfall nearby.

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