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Q1. Mahatma Jyotirao Phule Jayanti is observed annually on which date in India?

- (a) April 5
- (b) April 7
- (c) April 11
- (d) April 14

Ans.(c)

Sol. Answer

(c) April 11

Solution

- The birth anniversary of Jyotirao Phule is observed every year on April 11
- The year 2026 marks the 200th birth anniversary celebrations of Phule

Information Booster

- Born: 1827, Maharashtra
- Founded: Satyashodhak Samaj (1873)
- Known for:
 - o Social reform
 - o Women's education

Additional Knowledge

- Opened first girls' school in India (1848) with Savitribai Phule
- Famous works:
 - o *Gulamgiri*
 - o *Shetkaryacha Asud*
- Focus areas:
 - o Caste equality
 - o Women empowerment

Q2. The Chagos Archipelago, recently seen in news, is located in which ocean?

- (a) Atlantic Ocean
- (b) Pacific Ocean
- (c) Arctic Ocean
- (d) Indian Ocean

Ans.(d)

Sol. Answer

(d) Indian Ocean

Solution

- The Chagos Archipelago is a group of islands located in the central Indian Ocean
- It holds strategic importance due to the presence of the Diego Garcia military base

Information Booster

- Contains around 60 islands
- Key island: Diego Garcia
- Dispute between:
 - United Kingdom
 - Mauritius

Additional Knowledge

- Strategic importance:
- Hosts UK-US military base
- Legal aspect:
- International Court of Justice advisory opinion supports Mauritius claim

Q3. The Sardar Sarovar Dam, recently seen in news in connection with the Narmada canal water supply, is built on which river?

- (a) Godavari
- (b) Krishna
- (c) Narmada River
- (d) Tapti

Ans.(c)

Sol. Answer

- (c) Narmada River

Solution

- The Sardar Sarovar Dam is constructed on the Narmada River
 - Water from this system is supplied through canals to drought-prone regions like Barmer in Rajasthan
- Information Booster
- Origin of Narmada: Amarkantak Hills (Madhya Pradesh)
 - Flows westward into the Arabian Sea
 - One of the major west-flowing rivers of India

Additional Knowledge

- Narmada canal system supplies water to:
- Gujarat
- Rajasthan
- Important desert region:
- Barmer district (Thar Desert)

Q4. India's foreign exchange reserves are managed by which institution?

- (a) Ministry of Finance
- (b) SEBI
- (c) NITI Aayog
- (d) Reserve Bank of India

Ans.(d)

Sol. Answer

- (d) Reserve Bank of India (RBI)

Solution

- India's foreign exchange reserves are managed by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
- RBI monitors and intervenes in forex markets to maintain currency stability

Information Booster

- Forex reserves include:
- Foreign currency assets
- Gold reserves
- SDRs
- IMF reserve position
- Latest level (April 2026): ~\$697 billion

Additional Knowledge

- Gold acts as a safe-haven asset during uncertainty
- RBI uses reserves to:
- Control rupee volatility
- Manage external shocks

Q5. Under the draft Delhi EV Policy 2026–2030, from which date will only electric three-wheelers be eligible for new registration in Delhi?

- (a) January 1, 2025
- (b) January 1, 2026
- (c) January 1, 2027
- (d) April 1, 2027

Ans.(c)

Sol. Answer

- (c) January 1, 2027

Solution

- The draft Delhi EV Policy 2026–2030 mandates that only electric three-wheelers will be eligible for new registrations starting January 1, 2027
- This step aims to reduce pollution from a major urban transport segment

Information Booster

- 100% tax exemption for EVs up to ₹30 lakh
- 50% tax benefit for strong hybrid vehicles
- Policy focuses on clean mobility and pollution reduction

Additional Knowledge

- First Delhi EV Policy launched in 2020
- Targets:
- Increase EV adoption
- Reduce fossil fuel dependence

Q6. National Safe Motherhood Day is observed every year in India on which of the following dates?

- (a) 8 March
- (b) 11 April
- (c) 7 April
- (d) 12 May

Ans.(b)

Sol. Correct Answer: (b) 11 April

Explanation:

- National Safe Motherhood Day is observed annually on 11 April in India.
- The date marks the birth anniversary of Kasturba Gandhi.
- The day highlights the importance of maternal health, safe pregnancy, and proper childbirth care.

Information Booster:

- Declared by the Government of India in 2003
- Initiative proposed by White Ribbon Alliance India
- India became one of the first countries to dedicate a national day for maternal health awareness
- Focus areas include reducing maternal mortality and improving healthcare access

Additional Knowledge:

- Theme (2026): “Equity in Maternal Healthcare: Leaving No Mother Behind”
- Maternal health is an important indicator of a country's healthcare system

Q7. Sagittarius A*, recently in news, is located at the center of which galaxy?

- (a) Andromeda Galaxy
- (b) Triangulum Galaxy
- (c) Whirlpool Galaxy
- (d) Milky Way

Ans.(d)

Sol. Answer

- (d) Milky Way

Solution

- Sagittarius A* is located at the center of the Milky Way galaxy
- It has traditionally been considered a supermassive black hole, though recent studies suggest alternative possibilities like a dense dark matter core

Information Booster

- Sagittarius A* mass: ~ 4 million times the Sun
- Located at the galactic centre
- Associated with fast-moving S-stars

Additional Knowledge

- Dark matter:
- Invisible, interacts via gravity only
- Key concepts:
- Gravitational lensing bends light around massive objects

Q8. With reference to the Strait of Hormuz and recent developments, consider the following statements:

1. The Strait of Hormuz connects the Persian Gulf with the Arabian Sea.
2. It handles nearly one-fifth of the world's oil and gas trade.
3. It lies between Iraq and Saudi Arabia.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

Ans.(a)

Sol. Correct Answer: (a) 1 and 2 only

Explanation:

- Statement 1 is correct: The Strait of Hormuz connects the Persian Gulf with the Arabian Sea, making it a key maritime passage.
- Statement 2 is correct: Around 20% of global oil and gas trade passes through this strait, making it one of the most important energy chokepoints.
- Statement 3 is incorrect: The strait lies between Iran and Oman, not Iraq and Saudi Arabia.

Information Booster:

- Recently, Jag Vikram became the first India-flagged vessel to cross the strait after a ceasefire
- Owned by Great Eastern Shipping Company
- It is a Mid-sized Gas Carrier (MGC) with ~26,000 DWT capacity
- Key route for LPG, LNG, and crude oil transportation

Q9. Which Indian-American space scientist played a key role in NASA's Artemis II mission?

- (a) Kalpana Chawla
- (b) Sunita Williams
- (c) Amit Kshatriya
- (d) Raja Chari

Ans.(c)

Sol. Answer

(c) Amit Kshatriya

Solution

- Amit Kshatriya is an Indian-American space scientist who played a crucial role in the Artemis II mission
- He served in a senior leadership role at NASA and contributed to mission planning and execution

Information Booster

- Artemis II: First crewed lunar mission after Apollo era
- Mission type: Lunar flyby (no landing)
- Objective: Prepare for future human Moon landings

Additional Knowledge

- Associated with NASA
- Former ISS Flight Director (2014–2017)
- Awards:
 - NASA Outstanding Leadership Medal
 - Silver Snoopy Award
- Artemis programme goal:
 - Sustainable human presence on Moon
 - Future missions to Mars

Q10. With reference to AAKA Space Studio's 3D-printed Mars Radiation Shield, consider the following statements:

1. It is designed to protect astronauts from cosmic and solar radiation on Mars.
2. It is based on the concept of In-Situ Resource Utilisation (ISRU).
3. It requires all construction materials to be transported from Earth.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

Ans.(a)

Sol. Correct Answer: (a) 1 and 2 only

Explanation:

- Statement 1 is correct: The radiation shield is developed to protect astronauts from harmful cosmic and solar radiation on Mars, where there is no strong magnetic field or dense atmosphere.
- Statement 2 is correct: The innovation is based on In-Situ Resource Utilisation (ISRU), which uses locally available materials for construction.
- Statement 3 is incorrect: ISRU eliminates the need to transport all materials from Earth, making missions cost-effective and practical.

Information Booster:

- Developed by AAKA Space Studio
- First 3D-printed Mars radiation shield developed in Asia
- Uses 3D concrete printing technology with robotic construction systems
- Tested during an analog space mission simulating Martian conditions

Additional Knowledge:

- Mars lacks a global magnetic field, increasing radiation exposure risk
- ISRU reduces mission cost by using local resources like basalt and carbonates
- Materials used in simulation include olivine-rich rocks and limestone analogues
- 3D printing enables autonomous construction, crucial for future Mars and lunar habitats



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