Quiz Date: 17th May 2023

Q1. Laos is gearing up to host the annual ASEAN Tourism Forum in January 2024. What is the official currency of Laos?

(a) Baht

(b) Dong

- (c) Kip
- (d) Riel
- (e) Won

Q2. International Day of Living Together in Peace is celebrated annually on ______ to encourage peace, tolerance, inclusivity, understanding, and solidarity among individuals and communities globally.

(a) May 16

- (b) May 17
- (c) May 18
- (d) May 19
- (e) May 20

Q3. EU regulators approve Microsoft's \$69 billion acquisition of Activision Blizzard. What is cloud gaming?

(a) A type of gaming that can only be played on consoles

- (b) A type of gaming that can only be played on PCs
- (c) A type of gaming that can only be played on smartphones

(d) A type of gaming that allows users to stream games from servers and play them on existing devices like TVs, smartphones, and laptops

(e) A type of gaming that requires expensive dedicated hardware, such as consoles.

Q4. Who inaugurated the National Homoeopathic Convention 'Homeocon 2023' in Uttarakhand?

(a) Prime Minister Narendra Modi

(b) Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami

(c) Minister of AYUSH, Sarbananda Sonowal

(d) Governor Gurmeet Singh

(e) Secretary of Ministry of AYUSH, Rajesh Kotecha

Q5. Which ministry is responsible for the development, promotion, and regulation of traditional systems of medicine in India?

(a) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

(b) Ministry of Home Affairs

(c) Ministry of Education

- (d) Ministry of AYUSH
- (e) Ministry of Science and Technology

Q6. What event is specifically commemorated on the International Day of Light?

- (a) The development of fiber optics
- (b) The invention of the microscope
- (c) The discovery of the speed of light
- (d) Theodore Maiman's successful operation of the laser
- (e) The invention of the light bulb by Thomas Edison

Q7. MIT-World Peace University has built Asia's first subsea research lab in collaboration with _____.

- (a) BP
- (b) ExxonMobil
- (c) Aker Solutions
- (d) Shell
- (e) Chevron



Q8. Who launched the UTSAH (Undertaking Transformative Strategies and Actions in Higher Education) Portal and the Professor of Practice (PoP) Portal?

(a) Ministry of Education, Government of India

- (b) All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE)
- (c) University Grants Commission (UGC)
- (d) National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC)
- (e) Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)

Q9. Which martial art will be featured in the 37th National Games-2023 for the first time?

- (a) Judo
- (b) Gatka
- (c) Taekwondo

- (d) Karate
- (e) Kalaripayattu

Q10. How many member states are currently part of the European Union(as of May 2023)?

- (a) 24^{\prime}
- (b) 27
- (c) 30
- (d) 33
- (e) 36

Q11. Who has been appointed as the US Ambassador at Large for Global Women's Issues in the State Department?

- (a) Geeta Rao Gupta
- (b) Susan Rice
- (c) Kamala Harris
- (d) Samantha Power
- (e) Hillary Clinton

Q12. Who is set to take oath as the chairman of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)-in May 2023?

- (a) Manoj Soni
- (b) Rajiv Mehrishi
- (c) Arvind Saxena
- (d) Alka Sirohi
- (e) Vinay Mittal

Q13. The Meri LiFE app, launched by Shri Bhupender Yadav, is set to revolutionize the way individuals and communities track their progress in the global mass movement called Mission LiFE. Which ministry is responsible for the implementation of Mission LiFE?

- (a) Ministry of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change
- (b) Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
- (c) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- (d) Ministry of Education
- (e) Ministry of Science and Technology
- Q14. What is the objective of Mission LiFE?
- (a) Promoting renewable energy sources
- (b) Reducing carbon emissions
- (c) Encouraging sustainable lifestyle choices
- (d) Conserving wildlife habitats

(e) All of the above

Q15. Laos is gearing up to host the annual ASEAN Tourism Forum in January 2024, which will take place in the country's capital city, Vientiane. What is the theme of the ASEAN Tourism Forum 2024?

(a) Sustainable and responsible tourism practices

(b) Developing tourism infrastructure

(c) Promoting luxury tourism

(d) Encouraging adventure tourism

(e) Supporting cultural preservation

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S1. Ans.(c)

Sol. Laos is gearing up to host the annual ASEAN Tourism Forum in January 2024, which will take place in the country's capital city, Vientiane. The official currency of Laos is the Lao kip.

S2. Ans.(a)

Sol. International Day of Living Together in Peace is celebrated annually on May 16 to encourage peace, tolerance, inclusivity, understanding, and solidarity among individuals and communities globally.

S3. Ans.(d)

Sol. Cloud gaming allows users to stream games from servers, removing the need for expensive dedicated hardware, and can be played on existing devices like TVs, smartphones, and laptops.

S4. Ans.(b)

Sol. Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami recently inaugurated the National Homoeopathic Convention 'Homeocon 2023' at Doon University, Dehradun. The convention aimed to showcase the significance of homeopathy as the second most practiced system of medicine worldwide, particularly highlighting its role during the COVID-19 pandemic.

S5. Ans.(d)

Sol. The Ministry of AYUSH is responsible for the development, promotion, and regulation of traditional systems of medicine, including Ayurveda, Yoga, Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha, and Homeopathy, in India.

S6. Ans.(d)

Sol. The International Day of Light is observed on May 16 every year to commemorate Theodore Maiman's successful operation of the laser in 1960.

S7. Ans.(c)

Sol. The subsea research lab at MIT-World Peace University was established in partnership with Aker Solutions, a global provider of engineering services and solutions for the energy industry.

S8. Ans.(c)

Sol. The University Grants Commission (UGC) has launched a new website, the UTSAH (Undertaking Transformative Strategies and Actions in Higher Education) Portal, and the Professor of Practice (PoP) Portal to promote quality education in India.

S9. Ans.(b)

Sol. The traditional game of Gatka is set to receive a major boost on a national level as it has been officially included in the 37th National Games-2023, which are scheduled to take place in Goa in October of this year.

S10. Ans.(b)

Sol. There are 27 member states in the European Union. However, please note that this number may change over time as new countries may join or current members may leave the EU.

S11. Ans.(a)

Sol. The US Senate has approved Geeta Rao Gupta, an Indian American, as the Ambassador at Large for Global Women's Issues in the State Department.

S12. Ans.(a)

Sol. Educationist Manoj Soni will take oath as the chairman of Union Public Service Commission (UPSC). Soni, who joined the Commission as the member on June 28, 2017, has been performing the duties of the UPSC chairman since April 5, 2022.

S13. Ans.(a)

Sol. Ministry of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change. It is the nodal ministry for national-level coordination and implementation of Mission LiFE.

S14. Ans.(c)

Sol. Mission LiFE aims to bring about behavior changes in individuals through simple actions that contribute to environmental sustainability, such as saving energy,

reducing single-use plastic, and adopting sustainable food systems.

S15. Ans.(a)

Sol. The theme of the forum is "Quality and Responsible Tourism -- Sustaining ASEAN Future," which reflects the focus on sustainable and responsible tourism practices.

