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**Q.1. Where is the 18th 'Elephant and Tourism Festival' being celebrated recently?**

- (a) Sri Lanka
- (b) Maldives
- (c) Bhutan
- (d) Nepal

**Q.2. Which country's government has recently impeached the acting President?**

- (a) South Africa
- (b) Bangladesh
- (c) South Korea
- (d) Japan

**Q.3. Which state government has launched the "SWAR" platform to overcome language barriers?**

- (a) Andhra Pradesh
- (b) Gujarat
- (c) Kerala
- (d) Tamil Nadu

**Q.4. Who has recently won the 2024 FIDE Women's World Rapid Championship?**

- (a) Koneru Humpy
- (b) Tan Zhongyi
- (c) Lei Tingjie
- (d) None of the above

**Q.5. Recently, DPIIT (Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade) has signed MoU with which private company to help startups?**

- (a) Flipkart
- (b) Amazon
- (c) Boat
- (d) HCL

**Q.6. Recently which chess player withdrew from the FIDE World Rapid and Blitz Chess Championships due to dress code issues?**

- (a) Magnus Carlsen
- (b) Arjun Erigaisi
- (c) Volodar Murzin
- (d) None of the above

**Q.7. Recently who has conquered the highest peak of the seven continents?**





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(a) Amarjyothi Reddy

(c) Kamyā Karthikeyan

(b) Soumya Srinath

(d) None of the above

**Q.8. Recently who has become the fastest Indian bowler to take 200 wickets in Test cricket?**

(a) Mohammed Shami

(c) Jasprit Bumrah

(b) Ravindra Jadeja

(d) None of the above

**Q.9. Dilip Shankar passed away recently. Who was he?**

(a) Actor

(c) Director

(b) Journalist

(d) Singer

**Q.10. Where has the statue of 'Chhatrapati Shivaji' been installed near Pangong Tso Lake recently?**

(a) Ladakh

(c) Sikkim

(b) Leh

(d) Jammu and Kashmir

**Q.11. Who has recently launched the 'Vikashit Panchayat Karmayogi Initiative'?**

(a) Dr. Jitendra Singh

(c) Narendra Singh Tomar

(b) Amit Shah

(d) None of these

**Q.12. Recently, which state government has increased the ex-gratia amount given to the families of Armed Forces and Central Armed Police Forces personnel from Rs 50 lakh to Rs 1 crore?**

(a) Haryana

(c) Punjab

(b) Odisha

(d) Rajasthan

**Q.13. Which state government will transfer 14 tigers to Rajasthan, Odisha and Chhattisgarh under the animal exchange program?**

(a) Andhra Pradesh

(b) Gujarat





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(c) Madhya Pradesh

(d) Assam

**Q.14. Where will the 813th Urs of world famous Sufi saint 'Khwaja Moinuddin Hasan Chishti' be held recently?**

(a) Bikaner

(c) Jaipur

(b) Ajmer

(d) Jaisalmer

**Q.15. India has recently exported 200,000 tonnes of rice to which country to help flood-affected areas?**

(a) Bangladesh

(c) Indonesia

(b) Bhutan

(d) Maldives

### Answer Key & Explanation

1. D

The 18th Elephant and Tourism Festival has become a center of attraction in Sauraha in Chitwan district of Nepal. This fifth divine festival in the Baghmara Patriot Forest near Chitwan National Park celebrates Christmas and New Year together. It is an important means of promoting tourism in this region, which is famous for its diversity and attractions.

2. C

The South Korean parliament impeached and removed two presidents from office within two weeks, plunging the country into a political and economic crisis. Acting President Han Duck-soo was impeached by the South Korean parliament.

3. B





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Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel launched the SWAR (Speech and Written Analysis Resource) platform. The initiative is a significant step towards improving communication and access for citizens by removing language barriers. This citizen-centric initiative aims to make life simple and convenient in the state. The platform has been developed in collaboration with the Bhashini team of the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology and uses artificial intelligence (AI) to make government services more inclusive.

4. A

Koneru Humpy of India and Volodar Murzin of Russia won the women's and open titles respectively at the 2024 FIDE World Rapid Championship. This was the second FIDE World Rapid Championship for Humpy, while Russian Volodar Murzin became the second youngest player to win the championship in the open category. The 2024 FIDE World Rapid Championship was held in New York City, United States.

5. C

The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) has entered into a strategic partnership with India's leading audio and wearables brand boAt. The initiative aims to provide innovation and support to DPIIT-recognised startups, especially in the direct-to-consumer (D2C) and manufacturing sectors. The collaboration will help startups grow locally and internationally by providing mentorship, resources and guidance. With boAt's industry experience and government support, the initiative is set to empower the Indian startup ecosystem.

6. A

World No. 1 chess player Magnus Carlsen withdrew from the World Rapid and Blitz Chess Championships in New York following a dress code controversy. Carlsen was wearing jeans, which was a violation of the dress code of the International Chess Federation (FIDE). He was asked to change his attire. FIDE officials fined Carlsen \$200 (192 euros) because he refused to change his jeans. FIDE issued a statement saying that their dress code rules are to maintain professionalism and fairness for all participants.





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7. C

Kaamya Karthikeyan, a Class 12 student of Navy Children School, Mumbai, has created history by becoming the youngest woman in the world to climb the seven highest peaks on seven continents. 17-year-old Kaamya Karthikeyan has conquered Africa (Mount Kilimanjaro), Europe (Mount Elbrus), Australia (Mount Kosciuszko), South America (Mount Aconcagua), North America (Mount Denali), Asia (Mount Everest) and completed the current climb in Antarctica.

8. C

Jasprit Bumrah achieved a unique feat by becoming the fastest Indian bowler to complete 200 wickets in Test cricket during the Border-Gavaskar Trophy at the MCG in Melbourne. Bumrah's achievement is significant not only for his speed but also for his efficiency to achieve it in just 44 Test matches, breaking the earlier Indian record held by Mohammed Shami. His brilliant bowling in the Boxing Day Test against Australia, which included four wickets in the first innings and a crucial wicket in the second innings, made him one of the fastest bowlers in the world to take 200 Test wickets.

9. A

Film and television actor Dileep Shankar was found dead in a hotel near Oneross junction in Thiruvananthapuram. According to the Cantonment police, the actor, who was staying at the hotel in connection with his work in a television serial, was not seen outside his room for the last two days, following which the hotel staff informed the serial's production controller and the police. SHO of the Cantonment police station, Prajesh Sasi, said, "It is estimated that the death must have occurred at least two days ago."

10. A

The Indian Army has installed a statue of Maratha warrior Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj near the Pangong Tso lake in eastern Ladakh. The statue is located at an altitude of 14,300 feet near the Line of Actual Control (LAC) with China. The statue symbolizes the enduring values and courage of the Indian ruler.





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11. A

Dr Jitendra Singh launched the 'Vikasheel Panchayat Karmayogi' initiative, which aims to empower Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) and decentralise governance. The initiative is part of the broader 'Governance to Village' campaign, which aims to promote effective decision-making and planning by providing modern tools and knowledge to elected representatives and officials at the grassroots level.

12. A

In a cabinet meeting chaired by Haryana Chief Minister Nayab Singh Saini, the amendment in the ex-gratia amount given to the families of Central Armed Forces and Central Armed Police Force (CAPF) personnel martyred in war has been approved. The revised ex-gratia amount has been increased from Rs 50 lakh to Rs 1 crore.

13. C

The Madhya Pradesh government will transfer 14 tigers to Rajasthan, Odisha and Chhattisgarh under the animal exchange programme. According to the state forest department, four tigers will be transferred to Rajasthan, two to Odisha and eight to Chhattisgarh. The tigers will be transferred from the tiger reserves of Bandhavgarh, Panna, Kanha and Pench in Madhya Pradesh. The tigers and tigresses will be transferred under the supervision of an authorised veterinarian.

14. B

The 813th Urs of Sufi saint Hazrat Khwaja Moinuddin Chishti is an important religious and cultural event. This year, the traditional flag hoisting ceremony will be held at Dargah Khwaja Saheb in Ajmer. The annual Urs, celebrated to mark the death anniversary of the revered saint, is an important occasion for devotees, with festivities and prayers being held at the saint's tomb.

15. A

Bangladesh's interim government has started importing rice from India. The first consignment of 27,000 tonnes of rice has reached Bangladesh via Chittagong port. A Bangladesh food official said





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that this consignment is part of an agreement to buy 200,000 tonnes of rice from India. Talking to ANI, the official said, "There is no shortage of rice in Bangladesh at the moment. However, due to the recent severe floods, the government has decided to import rice to avoid a crisis in the future."