

## **Current Affairs and Gk – October 1- 15 2013**

Important current affairs and Gk questions of October month for IAS, RAS, SSC CGL, UPSC, BANK PO, UPSC,RPSC, Bank exams and all other exams.

1. Who among the following has won Korean Grand Prix 2013?

[A]Sebastian Vettel

[B]Fernando Alonso

[C]Kimi Raikkonen

[D]Romain Grosjean

Answer:

Sebastian Vettel Red Bull's Sebastian Vettel won Korean Grand Prix. Lotus drivers Kimi Raikkonen and Romain Grosjean took second and third.

2. Recently (October, 2013), in which of the following places All-Women Sharia court to redress grievance of Muslim women started functioning?

[A]Bangalore

[B]Pune

[C]Mumbai

[D]Chennai

Answer:

Pune A sharia court conducted solely by women with an aim to redress grievances of Muslim women has started functioning at Pune. Set up by Bhartiya Muslim Mahila Andholan (BMMA) the first all-women sharia court will deal with various family issue, including marital discord, divorce as well as property-related disputes.

3. In October 2013, voters of which of the following countries have rejected government proposal to abolish upper house of the parliament?

[A]Finland

[B]Ireland

[C]Mongolia

[D]Nairobi

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Answer:

Ireland Voters in the Republic of Ireland have rejected a government proposal to abolish Seanad Eireann (upper parliament of the Irish parliament). The Seanad has existed for more than 90 years. The current Irish government has argued it cost too much to run and that its abolish could have saved Irish taxpayers as much as 20m euros a year.

4. The government of which among the following states has launched a scheme to screen people above the age of 30 years for life style diseases?

[A]Karnataka

[B]Kerala

[C]Tripura

[D]Punjab

Answer:

Kerala "Amrutham Arogyam" a unique project to screen all the people above the age of 30 years in the state for life style disease was formally launched in Kerala.

5. Who among the following are conferred with 2013 Nobel Prize in medicine? 1.James Rothman 2.Randy Schekman 3.Thomas Suedhof 4.Thomas Randitt Chose the correct answer from the codes given below:

[A]Only 1 & 3

[B]Only 1, 2 & 3

[C]Only 1, 2 & 4

[D]Only 2, 3 & 4

Answer:

Only 1, 2 & 3 Americans James Rothman and Randy Schekman and German born research Thomas Suedhof won the 2013 Nobel Prize in medicine for discoveries on how hormones, enzymes and other key substances are transported within cells.

6. Who among the following has been recently inducted into the prestigious National Academy of Engineering, United States for his contribution to industrial development in India and world?

[A]E. Sridharan

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[B]Ratan Tata

[C]Chandra Shekar

[D]Navin Murthy

Answer:

Ratan Tata Industrialist Ratan Tata has been inducted into the prestigious National Academy of Engineering in US for his contribution to industrial development in India and across the world. Besides Tata, eight Indian-Americans have been inducted into the institute, consider among the highest professional distinctions accorded to an engineer.

7. At which among the following places, Tamil Nadu's first Spice Park has been inaugurated?

[A]Shivaganga

[B]Mettur

[C]Udakamandal

[D]Hosur

Answer:

Shivaganga Union Finance minister P Chidambaram inaugurated Tamil Nadu's first Spice Park at Muthupatti near Shivaganga. The Spice Park set up in Sivaganga at a cost of Rs 20 crore is aimed at creating infrastructure and processing facilities for turmeric and chilli produced in Tamil Nadu.

8. Which of the following Islands is the only place in India where the rare yellow mangrove (Ceriops tagap) is found?

[A]Vincet Island

[B]Barren Island

[C]St Marry Island

[D]Nicobar Island

Answer:

Vincet Island The estuarine Vincet Island on Ashtamudi Late in Kollam is the only place in India where the rare yellow mangrove is found. The yellow mangrove, long thought to be extinct, was discovered on Vincet Island by mangrove enthusiasts in 2011.

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9. Who among the following has been appointed as chairperson of State Bank of India (SBI)?

- [A]Kavitha Krishnamurthy
- [B]Usha Chandrashekar
- [C]Arundhati Bhattacharya
- [D]Sonakshi Vishal

Answer:

Arundhati Bhattacharya Arundhati Bhattacharya appointed as Chairperson of State Bank of India, the first woman to head the country's largest lender in its 207 year history. She was managing director and chief financial officer of the bank prior to her elevation.

10. . The "Tamu-Kalewa-Kalemyo" is a friendship road connect India and which country?

- [A]Nepal
- [B]Bangladesh
- [C]Myanmar
- [D]Bhutan

Answer:

Myanmar Tamu-Kalewa-Kalemyo" is a 160 km road close to Myanmar's western border with India.

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11. The Tolkappiar award is a lifetime achievement award given to Indian scholar for their contribution in the field of \_\_\_ studies. Fill the blank with correct option?

- [A]Kannada
- [B]Tamil
- [C]Sanskrit
- [D]Konkani

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Answer:

Tamil The Tolkappiar award is a lifetime achievement award given to Indian scholar for their contribution in the field of Tamil studies.

12. Who among the following will be conferred the Indira Gandhi Award for National Integration for the year 2012?

[A]Swamy Agnivesh

[B]M S Swaminathan

[C]Anna Hazare

[D]Ila Bhat

Answer:

M S Swaminathan Eminent agricultural scientist M S Swaminathan will be conferred the Indira Gandhi Award for National Integration for the year 2012.

13. Who among the following has secured two gold medals for India at Track Asia cycling championship?

[A]Deborah

[B]Manorama Devi

[C]Sunita Devi

[D]Anjana

Answer:

Deborah India finishes with six medals at Track Asia Cycling championship held in Thailand. India's Deborah clinches two gold medals.

14. Name the Canadian author who won 2013 Nobel Prize for Literature?

[A]Alice Munro

[B]Will Gompertz

[C]Jumpa Lahari

[D]Markel Hudson

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Answer:

Alice Munro Canadian author Alice Munro has won the 2013 Nobel Prize for Literature. The 82 year old, whose books include Dear Life and Dance of the Happy Shades, is only the 13th women to win the prize since its inception in 1901. Dance of the Happy Shades, published in 1968, was Munro's first collection and it went on the Canada's highest literary prize, the Governor General's Award.

15. The "Minamata Convention" is a set of legally binding measures to curb which pollutant?

[A]Green house gases

[B]Mercury

[C]Plastics

[D]Lead

Answer:

Mercury The "Minamata Convention" is a set of legally binding measures to curb mercury pollution. It was named after the Japanese city that, in the `1950s saw one of the world's most cases mercury poisoning.

16. Who among the following has won European Union's "Sakharov Human Rights" prize?

[A]Edward Snowden

[B]Malala Yousafzai

[C]Ali Zeidan

[D]Vladimir Putin

Answer:

Malala Yousafzai Pakistani schoolgirl and campaigner Malala Yousafzai, has won the EU's Sakharov Human Rights prize. The Sakharov Prize for speech is awarded by the European Parliament annually in memory of Soviet physicist and dissident Andrei Sakharov. US whistleblower Edward Snowden had been a contender for the prize.

17. Which of the following would be the first corridor to be explored for the Indian railways ambitious bullet train project?

[A]Delhi – Kolkata

[B]Bangalore – Chennai

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[C]Mumbai – Ahmadabad

[D]Mumbai – Bangalore

Answer:

Mumbai – Ahmadabad Indian Railways signed an MoU with Japan International Cooperation Agency, for conducting a detailed study for running bullet train on Mumbai-Ahmadabad route. Estimated to cost about 63,000 crore rupees, the 534 kilometre Mumbai – Ahmadabad route would be the first corridor to be explored for the Indian railways ambitious bullet train project.

18. Which of the following mobile makers has unveiled world's first curved display smartphone?

[A]Micromax

[B]Samsung

[C]Sony

[D]HTC

Answer:

Samsung Samsung Electronics will release a smartphone with a curved display. The Galaxy Round has a curved 5.7 inch screen using advanced display technology called organic light-emitting diode (OLED) technology. The curved screen smartphone is the first in the world.

19. Who among the following is not the winner of 2013 Nobel Prize in Chemistry?

[A]Martin Karplus

[B]Michael Levitt

[C]Michael Thomson

[D]Arieh WarshelMichael Thomson

Answer:

Michael Thomson Martin Karplus, Michael Levitt and Arieh Warshel won this year's Nobel Prize in chemistry for laying foundation for the computer models used to understand and predict chemical process.

20. . Which of the following banks has won the Golden Peacock Award for excellence in corporate governance 2013?

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[A]SBI

[B]Syndicate Bank

[C]Canara Bank

[D]Vijaya Bank

Answer:

Canara Bank Canara Bank clinches the Golden Peacock Award for excellence in corporate governance 2013.

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21. Name the Geo-scientific research vessel, which is dedicated to the nation recently?

[A]RV Samudra Ratnakar

[B]Samudra Prahari

[C]Sagara Deepa

[D]Sea Pearl

Answer:

RV Samudra Ratnakar

22. As per the latest report, what is the ranking of India on the Global Hunger Index 2013?

[A]63

[B]67

[C]69

[D]70

Answer:



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63 India ranked 63rd position on the Global Hunger Index. In 2012, India stood at 67th position on GHI. According to the latest GHI, India still has “alarming levels” of hunger with highest prevalence of underweight in children under five at more than 40 per cent. On the GHI, India’s neighbouring countries like China score 6th position with moderate level of hunger, while Sri Lanka was at 43, Pakistan at 57 and Bangladesh at 58 having serious levels of hunger.

23. The term P5+1 refers to the five permanent members of the UN Security Council plus which country?

[A]India

[B]Japan

[C]Germany

[D]South Korea

Answer:

Germany The P5+1 is a group of countries which in 2006 joined the diplomatic efforts with Iran in regard to its nuclear programme. The term refers to the five permanent members of the United Nation Security Council plus Germany.

24. Mohan Dharia, who passed away recently, was a \_\_\_\_?

[A]Scientist

[B]Diplomat

[C]Author

[D]Classical singer

Answer:

Diplomat Mohan Dharia was well known personality in the fields of politics and environment protection. He was a distinguished Parliamentarian and an able administrator who served the nation in different spheres.

25. According to NASA scientist, atmosphere of which of the following planets are conducive to the formation of diamonds?

[A]Saturn and Jupiter

[B]Jupiter and Venus

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[C]Venus and Saturn

[D]Uranus and Jupiter

Answer:

Saturn and Jupiter New research by NASA scientist says that up to 1,000 tonnes of diamonds are created in Saturn's atmosphere every year, with Jupiter's atmosphere being a prodigious producer of diamonds as well. The two gas giants atmosphere could be filled huge chunks of diamonds that could one day be taken back to earth. Scientists believe that the diamonds are formed by lightning storms which turns methane into carbon soot. As this carbons falls it hardens into pieces of graphite and then diamond. As the diamond continues to fall the pressure and temperature is so extreme, there's no way the diamonds could remain solid.

26. Name the former Liberian President who sentenced to 50 years in prison for crimes against humanity?

[A]Henry Austin

[B]Alastair Jamieson

[C]Charles Taylor

[D]Jacks Dickson

Answer:

Charles Taylor Charles Taylor, the former Liberian president sentenced to 50 years in prison for crimes against humanity. Taylor, was charged with murder, rape, conscripting child soldiers and sexual slavery during intertwined wars in Liberia.

27. In October 2013, which country has confirmed plans to create a secure mail service to protect its citizens and businesses against foreign espionage?

[A]Sweden

[B]Germany

[C]Mexico

[D]Brazil

Answer:

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Brazil Brazil has confirmed plans to create a secure email service, following revelations of cyber-surveillance techniques used by the US and UK. The move aims to secure its citizens and businesses against foreign espionage.

28. Recently (October 2013), ONGC Videsh limited has won 2 land oil blocks in which of the following countries?

- [A]Nigeria
- [B]Myanmar
- [C]Indonesia
- [D]Australia

Answer:

Myanmar ONGC Videsh Limited has won 2 on land oil blocks in Myanmar. With this acquisition presence of ONGC in South East Asia Nations has strengthened. The firm go Blocks B-2 (Zebyutaung-Nandaw) and EP-3 (Thegon-Shwegu).

29. United States Lars Peter Hansen, Eugene Fama and Robert Shiller won the 2013 Nobel Economic Prize for their groundbreaking work on \_\_\_?

- [A]Optimum allocation of resources
- [B]Asset Markets
- [C]Applied Dynamic model
- [D]Financial inclusion theory

Answer:

Asset Markets US trio Lars Peter Hansen, Eugene Fama and Robert Shiller won the 2013 Nobel Economic Prize for groundbreaking work on spotting trends in asset markets. Fama and Hansen are both professor at University of Chicago, while Shiller is a professor at Yale University in Connecticut.

30. . In October 2013, which of the following countries has announced it would become the first member of the Euro zone, to exist an international bail-out programme?

- [A]France
- [B]Portuguese
- [C]Greece

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[D]Ireland

Answer:

Ireland announced that in end of this year it would become the first member of the Euro zone, to exist an International bail-out programme. From then on, Ireland will borrow money it needs, from the financial markets rather than relying on the loans.

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31. The “Kalanamak”, a non-basmati scented rice variety grown primarily in \_\_\_\_ ?

[A]Kerala

[B]Andhra Pradesh

[C]Uttar Pradesh

[D]Karnataka

Answer:

Uttar Pradesh Kalanamak, a non basmati scented rice variety grown primarily in the tarai region of Uttar Pradesh, is so named because its husk is black. The variety has raised much hope amongst Indian farmers and rice-exporters due to traits superior even to the most preferred basmati. Recently, Kalanamak has been included into the Geographical Indication register.

32. As per the recently notified Drug (Price Control) order 2013, how many medicines in the National list Essential Medicines have been brought under the price control?

[A]340

[B]348

[C]350

[D]368

Answer:

348

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33. Who among the following has been appointed as Director General of UNESCO?

[A] Joseph Maila

[B] Rachad Farah

[C] Irina Bokova

[D] Daniel Crag

Answer:

Irina Bokova Irina Bokova has been nominated by UNESCO's executive board as the agency's director-general for another four year term. The Bulgarian former career diplomat was selected over Rachad Farah of Djibouti and Lebanon's Joseph Maila.

34. Which of the following countries has imposed ban on Skype, WhatsApp and Viber recently?

[A] China

[B] Pakistan

[C] Sri Lanka

[D] France

Answer:

Pakistan Authorities in Pakistan's southern Sindh Pakistan banned Skype, WhatsApp and Viber to facilitate security operations. The decision to enforce the ban for three months was made at meeting chaired by Sindh Chief Minister Qaim Ali Shah to review the law and order situation.

35. Name the Vietnam Independence hero who recently passes away?

[A] Vo Nguyen Giap

[B] Kung Nguyen Jaun

[C] Ho Chi Minn

[D] Carl Thayer Minn

Answer:

Vo Nguyen Giap Legendary Vietnamese general Vo Nguyen Giap, whose guerrilla tactics defeated the French and American armies, has died aged 102. The founding father of the Vietnam People's Army, Giap was regarded as one of Vietnam's most revered figures.

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36. With an aim to reduce carbon emission and making railway system environmental friendly, the India Railway has proposed to utilize which of the following as fuel for its fleet of diesel locomotives?

- [A] Compressed Natural Gas
- [B] Shale Gas
- [C] LPG
- [D] Producer Gas

Answer:

Compressed Natural Gas The Indian Railways proposes to utilise natural gas as fuel for its fleet of diesel locomotives in line with the international trend. This will have substantial effect on reducing the emission of carbon and in making the railway system environment-friendly.

37. In October 2013, Union Steel Ministry has finalised a deal for Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL) to set up a forged wheel factory. The proposed plant would be come up at \_\_\_\_ ?

- [A] Kolar
- [B] Rae Bareli
- [C] Nasik
- [D] Guntur

Answer:

Rae Bareli Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited will set up a forged wheel factory at Lalganj, Rae Bareli. The project promises about 600 jobs while 2000 others would benefit indirectly. The railways will lease 40 acres to RINL for 30 years to set up the factory. The factory will produce one lakh forged wheels each year to cater the demand of LHB coached and high speed locos.

38. Which of the following became the first telecom operator in the country to receive Unified Licence from the government?

- [A] Airtel
- [B] Sistema Shyam(MTS)
- [C] Idea
- [D] Vodafone

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Answer:

Sistema Shyam(MTS) Sistema Shyam Teleservice, which operates under MTS brand in India, has received Unified Licence from the government that would allow it to offer technology-neutral telecom services. The company has become the first telecom operator in the country to be a part of Unified Licensing Regime.

39. Which of the following has been named the world's top university by the Times Higher Education Global ranking?

[A]Oxford University

[B]Harvard University

[C]California Institute of Technology

[D]Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Answer:

California Institute of Technology California Institute of Technology has again been named the world's top university by the Times Higher Education global ranking. It is the third year in a row the British organisation ranked Caltech first among the top 200 universities around the world.

40. . As per the latest report by the French Institute of Demographic Studies, by which year India will surpass China as the world's most populous country?

[A]2025

[B]2030

[C]2050

[D]2060

Answer:

2050 India will overtake China as the world's most populous country by 2050, according to a new French study which predicts the global population to surge to 9.7 billion people by the middle of the century.

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41. Who among the following has become first elected Tamil Chief Minister of Sri Lanka?

- [A] Palani Muttu
- [B] C V Wigneswaran
- [C] K Murugan
- [D] Manoranjan Selvam

Answer:

C V Wigneswaran C V Wigneswaran sworn in as the first elected Tamil Chief Minister of Northern Provenance the stronghold of the vanquished rebel Liberation Tigers of Tamil Elam (LTTE).

42. Francois Englert and Peter Higgs, who have won 2013 Nobel Prize in Physics, belong to which of the following countries respectively?

- [A] Belgium, Britain
- [B] Switzerland, USA
- [C] Belgium, USA
- [D] Britain, Switzerland

Answer:

Belgium, Britain Physicists Francois Englert of Belgium and Peter Higgs of Britain have won the 2013 Nobel Prize in Physics. The two scientists have been chosen for the "theoretical discovery of a mechanism that contributes to our understanding the origin of mass of subatomic particles".

43. GlaxoSmithKline is making news for developing world's first malaria vaccine called \_\_\_?

- [A] RTS, S
- [B] MTS, S
- [C] RMS, S
- [D] MRS, S

Answer:

RTS, S British drug maker GlaxoSmithKline is seeking regulatory approval for the world's first malaria vaccine after trial data showed that it had reduced the number of cases in African children. The vaccine known as RTS, S was found to have almost halved the number of malaria cases in young children in the



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trial and to have reduced by about 25% the number of malaria cases in infants. GSK is developing RTS,S with non-profit Path Malaria Vaccine Initiative supported by funding from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

44. Who among the following has won International Press Institute Award for excellence in Journalism?

[A]Tilak Kumar

[B]Karan Thapar

[C]Vyasa Rao

[D]N Ravi

Answer:

Karan Thapar Karan Thapar, the well-known television journalist, has won the International Press Institute Award for excellence in Journalism.

45. Which of the following is the venue for the 9th World Trade Organisation Ministerial conference which will be held in December 2013?

[A]Moscow

[B]Bali

[C]Tokyo

[D]Sydney

Answer:

Bali The 9th WTO ministerial conference will be held in Bali from December 3-6. The ministerial conference is the highest decision making body of the 158 member WTO which meet at least once in every two years.

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<p> <button id="butToggle5">Show Answer</button> 6. Currently, India is not a member state to which one of the following organisations? 1.SAARC 2.ASEAN 3.APEC 4.WTO Chose the correct answer from the codes given below:

[A]Only 2

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[B]Only 2 & 3

[C]Only 3

[D]Only 3 & 4

Answer:

Only 2 & 3

47. Which of the following statement is true about SpiNNaker project?

[A]It is a project to develop human brained robots

[B]A novel computer architecture, inspired by fundamental structure & function of human brain.

[C]It is a project to develop world's fastest super computer

[D]A project to send some animals on other terrestrial planets

Answer:

A novel computer architecture, inspired by fundamental structure & function of human brain.

48. The first mega food park in Uttar Pradesh would be set up in Jagdishpur of Amethi district. This mega food park would be developed by\_\_?

[A]Reliance

[B]Wipro

[C]Aditya Birla Group

[D]Parle

Answer:

Aditya Birla Group The first mega food park in Uttar Pradesh would be set up in Jagdishpur of Amethi district. This park would have 35 processing units and would employ 25000 people of the state. The park would be developed by Aditya Birla Group through Indo-Gulf fertilizers, one of its business arms.

49. Who among the following has won China Open Men's single tennis title 2013?

[A]Rafael Nadal

[B]Novak Djokovic

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[C]Roger Federar

[D]Andrew Murray

Answer:

Novak Djokovic Novak Djokovic defeated Rafael Nadal in straight sets to retain his China open crown and his world number one berth.

50. . On which of the following days "World Habitat Day" was observed?

[A]October 3

[B]October 5

[C]October 7

[D]October 6

Answer:

October 7 The United Nation has designated the first Monday of October every year as World Habitat Day. The purpose of the day is to create awareness about the state of the towns and cities and the basic human right to adequate shelter. The theme of this year is Urban Mobility to encourage people to shift towards more sustainable modes of transportation.

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51. In October 2013, which of the following countries has announced its withdrawal from Commonwealth of Nations 48 years after joining?

[A]Gambia

[B]Pakistan

[C]South Africa

[D]Bangladesh

Answer:

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Gambia Gambia has announced its withdrawal from the Commonwealth of Nations. President Yahya Jammeh government announced that Gambia had withdrawn its membership of the British Commonwealth and decided that the Gambia will never be a member of any neo-colonial institution and will never be a party to any institution that represents an extension of colonialism.

52. Recently (October, 2013), which of the following has signed MoU with Archaeological Survey of India for an endeavour to create 360 degree online panoramic imagery of 100 nationally-important monuments in India?

[A]Yahoo

[B]Google

[C]Facebook

[D]Twitter

Answer:

Google Archaeological Survey of India has joined hands with Google India for an endeavour to create 360 degree online panoramic imagery of 100 nationally-important monuments in the country like Taj Mahal, Humayun's Tomb, Khajuraho and the Ajantha and Ellora etc.

53. Which of the following herbs is making news as a possible low cost herbal remedy to purify drinking water?

[A]Curry leaves

[B]Coriander

[C]Mentha

[D]Paalak

Answer:

Coriander Coriander has started gaining fame in the United States as a possible low cost herbal remedy to purify drinking water. A recent research has discovered that the leaves of the coriander are a potential "biosorbant" that can remove lead and other toxic heavy metals from contaminated water.

54. In October 2013, which of the following states government has decided to put ban on advertising of tobacco products in the state?

[A]Kerala

[B]Maharashtra

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[C]Tamil Nadu

[D]Karnataka

Answer:

Kerala government said advertising of tobacco products would be soon be banned in state in keeping with section 5 of the Indian Tobacco Control Act, 2003.

55. Which of the following animals are susceptible to "Foot-and-Mouth Disease"? 1.Sheep 2.Goat 3.Cattle 4.Pig Chose the correct answer from the codes given below:

[A]Only 1, 2 & 3

[B]Only 1, 2 & 4

[C]Only 2, 3 & 4

[D]1, 2, 3 & 4

Answer:

1, 2, 3 & 4 Foot-and-mouth disease is an infectious and sometimes fatal viral disease that affects cloven-hoofed animals. Susceptible animals include cattle, water buffalo, sheep, goats, pigs, antelope, deer and bison.

56. Who among the following has been appointed as Brand Ambassador of National Tobacco Control campaign?

[A]Sachin Tendulkar

[B]Rahul Dravid

[C]Saurav Ganguly

[D]Kapil Dev

Answer:

Rahul Dravid Union Healthy Ministry appointed former Indian cricket team captain Rahul Dravid as brand ambassador for its National Tobacco Control campaign.

57. The "Peace Mission-2013" is a joint military drill conducted by Russia and \_\_\_\_ ?

[A]Pakistan

[B]China

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[C]India

[D]Afghanistan

Answer:

China The Peace Mission-2013 is an anti-terror joint military exercise conducted by Russia and China.

58. "Patan Patola", the ancient art of double sided saree belongs to which state?

[A]Rajasthan

[B]Gujarat

[C]Karnataka

[D]Haryana

Answer:

Gujarat "Patan Patola", a double-sided saree from Gujarat. Recently it has got recognition from Geographical Indication registry of India.

59. Recently (October, 2013), which one of the following commenced the construction work for the joint venture 400 MW Shaukhevi hydroelectric project in Georgia?

[A]Reliance Power

[B]Tata Power

[C]NTPC

[D]ONGC

Answer:

Tata Power

60. . Which of the following is the India's first indigenously developed vaccine for "Japanese Encephalitis"?

[A]AESVAC

[B]JENVAC

[C]JESVAC

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[D]MESVAC

Answer:

JENVAC JENVAC is the India's first indigenously developed Japanese Encephalitis vaccine. It has been jointly developed by scientists of National Institute of Virology, Indian Council of Medical Research and Bharat Biotech Ltd.

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61. The Western Ghats is home to which of the following endangered mammal species? 1.Nilgiri tahr  
2.Lion-tailed macaque 3.Fruit bat 4.Tigers Chose the correct answer from the codes given below?

[A]Only 1 & 2

[B]Only 2 & 3

[C]Only 1 & 3

[D]1, 2, 3 & 4

Answer:

1, 2, 3 & 4 Around 120 mammal species have been recorded in Western Ghats. Prominent endemic mammals include the Niligiri tahr, tigers, lion-tailed macaque and fruit bat.

62. Lion-tailed macaque 3.Fruit bat 4.Tigers Chose the correct answer from the codes given below?

[A]Cinema

[B]Sports

[C]Journalism

[D]Science and Technology

Answer:

Cinema The Bimal Roy Memorial Society has been conferring Bimal Roy Memorial Emerging Talent awards to honours emerging talents from the Indian film industry including artist, technicians, directors,

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musicians etc. Film Maker Shivendra Singh Dungarpur has been selected for this year's award. Post recipients of the awards include Rituprno Ghosh, Ashutosh Gowarikar, Shoojit Sircar among others.

63. Fruit bat 4.Tigers Chose the correct answer from the codes given below?

[A]Roger Federar

[B]Novak Djokovic

[C]Jaun Del Potro

[D]Rafael Nadal

Answer:

Novak Djokovic Novak Djokovic defeated Jaun Del Potro to win a second straight trophy at the Shanghai Masters.

64. Tigers Chose the correct answer from the codes given below?

[A]Bihar

[B]Haryana

[C]Uttar Pradesh

[D]Odisha

Answer:

Uttar Pradesh Uttar Pradesh topped the list of States from where the NHRC registered maximum complaints of human rights violation till September 2013. UP followed by Delhi, Bihar, Haryana, Rajasthan are other states where maximum cases are registered.

65. Recently (October, 2013), India Post has launched Instant Cash, an instant electronic money transfer service in partnership with \_\_\_\_ ?

[A]Bombay Stock Exchange

[B]BSNL

[C]Wall Street Exchange

[D]Reliance

Answer:



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Wall Street Exchange India Post launched Instant Cash money transfer service. Regarding this, agreement was signed with Wall Street Exchange.

66. In October 2013, Tata Communication has signed collaboration agreement with Batelco to enable its connectivity in West Asia. Batelco Communication Company is based in which country?

- [A]Japan
- [B]Russia
- [C]Bahrain
- [D]Singapore

Answer:

Bahrain Tata Communication has signed collaboration agreement with Batelco. Batelco is a Bahrain based telecommunication company. This agreement will enable Tata's connectivity footprint in west Asia via latter's well established and resilient global MPLS network.

67. Recently (October, 2013), which of the following movies has entered into Guinness World Record for its larger post?

- [A]Boss
- [B]Ishk Actually
- [C]Shahid
- [D]Super Se Ooper

Answer:

Boss Akshay Kumar's upcoming movie Boss entered into Guinness World Record for largest poster. This type of largest poster ever made in the history of cinema. The poster designed by Akshay's fan is width of 193 feet and 1 inch and its height is 180 feet and 2 inch.

68. The Campaign named "Heal India" aims to create awareness about which of the following diseases?

- [A]HIV/AIDS
- [B]Leprosy
- [C]Mental illness
- [D]Alzheimer

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Answer:

Leprosy Leprosy Mission Trust of India has launched Leprosy awareness camp in the name Heal India. The campaign aims to remove stigma attached to Leprosy. This camp will reach to the people through 40,000 children in the school across Delhi, NCR, and also colleges through music, film and workshop.

69. The "Alamatti dam" has been constructed across which of the following river?

[A] Cauvery

[B] Tungabhadra

[C] Krishna

[D] Godavari

Answer:

Krishna The Alamatti Dam is a dam project on the Krishna River in Northern Karnataka.

70. . Which of the following is the largest state in Australia?

[A] Queensland

[B] Western Australia

[C] Victoria

[D] Tasmania

Answer:

Western Australia Western Australia is Australia's largest state with total land area of 2,529,875 sq km and second largest country subdivision in the world.

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71. In October 2013, which of the following states has launched "Kanyashree" project with an aim to bring betterment to the life of girl children?

[A] Odisha

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[B]Uttar Pradesh

[C]West Bengal

[D]Tamil Nadu

Answer:

West Bengal West Bengal state government launched a new project called the “Kanyashree” with an aim to betterment to the life of the girl children. The scheme is designed to stop school dropouts, Female Trafficking and Child marriage among women of the state. The state’s unmarried girl children ranging from 13 to 18 year of age will benefit from the programme.

72. According to Global Agewatch Index (2013), which of the following ranked first in the best place in the world to be old?

[A]Norway

[B]Sweden

[C]France

[D]Japan

Answer:

Sweden Sweden is the best place in the world to be old and Afghanistan the worst. The Global Agewatch Index examined the quality of life of the elderly in 91 countries. The study is based on the 13 indicators.

73. On which among the following dates, the International Day for Older persons is observed ?

[A]September 28

[B]September 30

[C]October 1

[D]October 2

Answer:

October 1 The International Day for older persons is observes on October 1. The day recognizes the contributions of older persons in the society and examines the issues that affect their lives. This year the theme of the day is: the future we want: what older persons saying it.

74. Who among the following has been appointed as Chairman of India Premier League (IPL)?

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[A]Rajeev Shukla

[B]Sameer Singh

[C]Ranjib Biswal

[D]Sanjay Jagdale

Answer:

Ranjib Biswal Ranjib Biswal, the Odisha Cricket Association chief, has been named as the IPL chairman.

75. In which of the following places world's longest railway platform is being coming up?

[A]Gorakhpur

[B]Lucknow

[C]Bhopal

[D]Mysore

Answer:

Gorakhpur Gorakhpur in UP is set to make its mark on world map with the longest railway platform (1,355 metres). As of now, Kharagpur in West Bengal has the longest platform at 1,072 metres, followed by State Street Centre subway station Chicago. Once it becomes operational the platform will be able to accommodate two trains of 26 coaches each at a time.

76. Recently (October, 2013), NASA's space craft has detected chemical "propylene" on \_\_\_?

[A]Moon

[B]Saturn

[C]Titan

[D]Mars

Answer:

Titan NASA's Cassini spacecraft has detected propylene, a chemical used to make food-storage containers, car bumps and other consumer products, on Saturn's moon Titan. According to NASA this is the first definitive detection of the plastic ingredients on any moon or planet, other than Earth.

77. Which of the following has been named as mascot of the 35th National Games to be hosted by Kerala in 2014?

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[A]Great Hornbill

[B]Peacock

[C]Tiger

[D]Dove

Answer:

Great Hornbill Great Hornbill, which has been christened as “Ammu” is the official mascot of the 35th National games.

78. Recently (October, 2013), India has agreed to resume military supplies to which country?

[A]Sri Lanka

[B]Nepal

[C]Bhutan

[D]Bangladesh

Answer:

Nepal India has agreed to resume military supplies to Nepal and will soon deliver a multi-role Advanced Light Helicopter to it. India military aid has been stalled for a long time, most notably after the signing of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement between seven political parties and the Maoists in 2006.

79. As per the latest survey, which of the following is emerged as topmost global brand in the world?

[A]Coca Cola

[B]Apple

[C]Samsung

[D]Nokia

Answer:

Apple Iphone maker Apple has emerged as the world's topmost global brand in a new report. Interbrand, a corporate identity and brand consulting company, has come out with the list which sees Apple on top, surpassing the previous leader Coca Cola.

80. . Which of the following countries is helping Bangladesh to construct its first nuclear power plant?

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[A]China

[B]India

[C]Russia

[D]USA

Answer:

Russia Bangladesh has begun building the first of two nuclear power plants north of the capital, Dhaka. The plants each with a capacity of 1,000 megawatts are being constructed with Russian help. The \$2bn project is funded by \$500m of Russian credit and is expected to be fully completed by 2022.

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81. Which of the following diseases is most commonly found in workers at Stone crushing/mining?

[A]Cirrhosis

[B]Silicosis

[C]Gingivitis

[D]Fibrosis

Answer:

Silicosis Silicosis is a form of occupational lung disease caused by inhalation of crystalline silica dust. It is most commonly found in workers at stone crushing or mining.

82. Which state has bagged National Award for best state in implementing the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior citizens act, 2007?

[A]Maharashtra

[B]Kerala

[C]Madhya Pradesh

[D]Assam

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Answer:

Madhya Pradesh Department of Social Justice, Government of Madhya Pradesh bagged the National Award for best state in implementing the Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior citizens act, 2007 and providing service and facilities to senior citizens.

83. Which of the following countries constitute "Horn of Africa"? 1.Eritrea 2.Djibouti 3.Ethiopia 4.Somalia 5.Nigeria Chose the correct answer from the codes given below:

[A]Only 1, 2, 3 & 5

[B]Only 1, 2, 4 & 5

[C]Only 1, 2, 3 & 4

[D]1, 2, 3, 4 & 5

Answer:

Only 1, 2, 3 & 4 The Horn of Africa denotes the region containing the countries of Eritrea, Djibouti, Ethiopia and Somalia.

84. Somalia 5.Nigeria Chose the correct answer from the codes given below:

[A]Saina Nehwal

[B]P V Sindhu

[C]Virat Kohli

[D]Sania Mirza

Answer:

Saina Nehwal Olympic bronze medallist Sania Nehwal was declared Sports Illustrated Sportsperson of the year while her mentor and Indian coach Pulela Gopichand was given the Coach of the Year award. The event was organised by the Sports magazine to honour good performance of the year 2012.

85. Nigeria Chose the correct answer from the codes given below:

[A]Spotted Deer

[B]Great Indian Bustards

[C]Tigers

[D]Elephants

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Answer:

Great Indian Bustards Nannaj Sanctuary or Jawaharlal Nehru Bustard Sanctuary of Maharashtra is a wildlife sanctuary for Great India Bustards.

86. Who among the following has been conferred "Allard Prize for International Integrity"?

[A]Anna Hazare

[B]Arvind Kejriwal

[C]Kiran Bedi

[D]Manmohan Singh

Answer:

Anna Hazare Indian social activist Anna Hazare has been honoured with the inaugural Allard Prize for International Integrity conferred by the University of British Columbia's faculty of law. The Allard Prize is one of the world's largest prize for recognizing efforts to fight corruption and to promote human rights.

87. Recently (October, 2013). SEBI has approved \_\_\_\_\_ per cent Jet Airways to Etihad. Fill the blank with correct option?

[A]24%

[B]49%

[C]54%

[D]76%

Answer:

24%

88. "Theodolite" is precision instrument used for measuring \_\_\_\_ ?

[A]Surface Tension

[B]Angles

[C]Light frequency

[D]Optical magnification

Answer:



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Angles Theodolite is a precision instrument for measuring angles in the horizontal and vertical planes. Theodolites are used mainly for surveying applications, and have been adopted for specialized purpose in fields like metrology and rocket launch technology.

89. The "Mount Augustus" which is claimed to be world largest monolith is in which country?

[A]Australia

[B]South Africa

[C]Nairobi

[D]Indonesia

Answer:

Australia Mount Augustus is an inselberg located in Western Australia.

90. . Which of the following continents has highest fraction of young population in its total population?

[A]Asia

[B]Africa

[C]Europe

[D]Australia

Answer:

Africa Africa is the youngest continent in terms of its population. 50 percent Africans are 19 years old or younger.

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91. Which of the following organisations has won 2013 Nobel Peace Prize?

[A]Amnesty International

[B]Organisation for Prohibition of Chemical weapons

[C]UNICEF

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[D]Human Rights Organisation

Answer:

Organisation for Prohibition of Chemical weapons The Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW), the body overseeing the destruction of Syria's chemical arsenal, has won the 2013 the Nobel Peace Prize. The OPCW, based in The Hague, was established to enforce the 1997 Chemical Weapons Convention.

92. Which of the following are India's largest onion producing states?

[A]Maharashtra, Karnataka, Gujarat

[B]Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan

[C]Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Madhya Pradesh

[D]Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Gujarat

Answer:

Maharashtra, Karnataka, Gujarat

93. As per the latest data, which country surpassed United States as the world's biggest net oil importer?

[A]Russia

[B]China

[C]India

[D]Japan

Answer:

China US government data shows China passed the US in September as the World's biggest net oil importer, driven by faster economic growth and strong auto sales.

94. What is the permissible range of Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) for drinking water?

[A]300 mg/l

[B]400 mg/l

[C]500 mg/l

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[D]600 mg/l

Answer:

500 mg/l Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) is a measure of the combined content of all inorganic and organic substances contained in a liquid in molecular, ionized or micro granular suspended form. The threshold of acceptable aesthetic criteria for human drinking water is 500 mg/l.

95. Which of the following ASEN countries and their current Prime Ministers is not correctly matched?

[A]Vietnam – Nguyen Tan Dung

[B]Singapore – Lee Hsien Loong

[C]Malaysia – Yingluck Shinawatra

[D]Laos – Thongsing Thammavong

Answer:

Malaysia – Yingluck Shinawatra Malaysia Prime Minister is Najib Tun Razak

96. "Fracking" is a method of extracting \_\_\_\_\_ ?

[A]Oil from rock

[B]Gas from rock

[C]Oil from Bio mass

[D]Gas from soil

Answer:

Oil from rock Fracking is short for hydraulic fracturing. It's a water intensive process where millions of gallons of fluid typically water, sand and chemicals, including one known to cause cancer are injected underground at high pressure to fracture the rock surrounding an oil or gas well.

97. The "Maitri Thermal Power" project is a joint venture of India and which country?

[A]Pakistan

[B]Bhutan

[C]Bangladesh

[D]Nepal

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Answer:

Bangladesh Maitri Thermal Power” project is a 1,320 MW joint venture of India and Bangladesh.

98. Recently (October, 2013), Indira Ghandi International airport signed a MoU called Sister Airport Agreement with which airport?

[A]Birmingham Airport

[B]Glasgow Airport

[C]Tokyo Airport

[D]Durban Airport

Answer:

Birmingham Airport With an aim to further strengthen trade and tourism links between the two cities, the Indira Ghandi International Airport and Birmingham Airport entered into a MoU called Sister Airport Agreement.

99. Which of the following is named as “Asia’s Best Strong Lager Beer” at the prestigious World Beer award 2013?

[A]Knock Out

[B]Kingfisher

[C]Tiger Beer

[D]Hanoi Beer

Answer:

Kingfisher United Breweries beer brand Kingfisher Strong has been recognised as “Asia’s Best Strong Lager Beer” at the prestigious World Beer Award-2013 held in UK.

100. . What is the name of the world’s oldest movie theatre that reopened recently?

[A]The Casio

[B]The Eden Theatre

[C]Fun World

[D]The Thespian Hall

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Answer:

The Eden Theatre The Eden Theatre, the world's oldest cinema reopens after an extensive refurbishment in the French city of La Ciotat, where the Lumiere brothers screened the very first moving picture of a train arriving at the local situation in 1899. The Eden Theatre closed since 1995.

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101. Which of the following pairs has won China Open women's double 2013 tennis title?

- [A]Sania Mirza, Cara Black
- [B]Vera Dushevina, Arantax Parra
- [C]Sania Mirza, Arantax Parra
- [D]Cara Black, Vera Dushevina

Answer:

Sania Mirza, Cara Black Sania Mirza and Cara Black pair has won China Open women's double 2013 tennis title. The Indo-Zimbabwean pair thrashed Vera Dushevina and Arantax Parra pair. Sania and Cara have won Pan Pacific Open in Tokyo last week.

102. In October 2013, which of the following countries has started import of power from India?

- [A]Pakistan
- [B]Bangladesh
- [C]Nepal
- [D]Bhutan

Answer:

Bangladesh Bangladesh has started import of power from India. Power import from India started with the inauguration of the Bangladesh-India power transmission centre and Bheramara 360 Combined Cycle Power plant. The inauguration started to add 175WM power from India to the Bangladesh national grid.

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103. Which of the following is the smallest country in Africa continent?

- [A]Chad
- [B]Uganda
- [C]Seychelles
- [D]Somalia

Answer:

Seychelles The smallest country in African is the Seychelles which is 453 sq km.

104. As per the latest report by World Bank, which country has become the largest recipient of foreign remittances in 2013?

- [A]China
- [B]India
- [C]Singapore
- [D]USA

Answer:

India India emerged as the largest recipient of foreign remittance among developing economies in 2013. As per the World Bank report entitled Migration and Remittance Flows: Recent Trends and Outlook 2013-16 Non Resident Indians (NRI) sent a record 71 billion dollars in 2012.

105. The Rashtriya Uchchar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) schemes aims to reform \_\_\_ ?

- [A]Higher Education
- [B]Primary Education
- [C]Girl child Education
- [D]Tribal Education

Answer:

Higher Education Rashtriya Uchchar Shiksha Abhiyan is a centrally sponsored scheme for reforming the state higher education system.

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106. Who among the following is the chairman of the committee on Comprehensive Financial Services for Small Businesses and Low-income households?

[A]Vikram Pandit

[B]Nachiket Mor

[C]Shiksha Sharma

[D]Deepak Parkhesh

Answer:

Nachiket Mor The RBI has set up a 13-member committee to frame a clear and detailed vision for financial inclusion across the country. The committee is chaired by Nachiket Mor, member on the RBI's Central Board of Directors. The Committee on Comprehensive Financial Services for Small Business and Low-Income Households has been tasked to develop a comprehensive monitoring framework to track the progress of financial inclusion and deepening efforts on a nationwide basis.

107. In October 2013, Sachin Tendulkar reached another landmark by completing 50,000 runs in competitive cricket across all formats. Apart from Sachin who among the following has achieved this feat? 1.WG Grace 2.Mark Ravin Ramprakash 3.Jack Hobbs 4.Graham Gooch Chose the correct answer from the codes given below:

[A]Only 1 & 2

[B]Only 2 & 3

[C]Only 1, 2 & 3

[D]1, 2, 3 & 4

Answer:

1, 2, 3 & 4 Apart from Sachin, some other known batsmen who crossed the 50,000 run mark are WG Grace, also known as "Father of Cricket", Mark Ravin Ramprakash, a Middlesex star and presently the team's batting coach and English Jack Hobbs. But it is Graham Gooch who has the most runs in all three formats combined (67,075).

108. In October 2013, SEBI has announced new Foreign Portfolio Investor (FPIs) regulations for easier registration process and operating framework for investors from abroad. The new FPIs will encompass which of the followings? 1.Foreign Institutional Investors 2.Qualified Foreign Investors 3.Non-Resident Indians Chose the correct answer from the codes given below:

[A]Only 1

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[B]Only 1 & 2

[C]Only 1 & 3

[D]1, 2 & 3

Answer:

Only 1 & 2

109. Recently (October, 2013), India and which of the following countries come together to practice amphibious war manoeuvres in Goa under the code name "Exercise Shatrujeet" ?

[A]Italy

[B]Russia

[C]America

[D]Iran

Answer:

America Indian and American troops are practising amphibious war manoeuvres in Goa as a part of efforts of the two countries to build strong ties between their armed forces. The exercise is code named "Exercise Shatrujeet".

110. . Name the Indian-American, who has been nominated to top-key position in trade promotion arm of the US Commerce department?

[A]Suresh Kumar

[B]Arun M Kumar

[C]Shyam Sudarshan

[D]Gopinathan Mishra

Answer:

Arun M Kumar US President Barack Obama has named yet another Indian-American; Kerala University Physics graduate Arun M Kumar to lead the trade arm promotion arm of the US Commerce department charged with helping US companies succeed in market around the world. Kumar, who has been nominated Assistant Secretary and Director General of the US and Foreign Commercial services, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, would on Senate confirmation succeed another Indian American, Suresh Kumar.