

CURRENT AFFAIRS OF DECEMBER 2016

Awards

The Bengali poet and critic who has been chosen for the 52nd Jnanpith Award – **Sankha Ghosh**

The mathematicians who have been presented the SASTRA Ramanujan Award 2016 on the occasion of the National Mathematics Day on Dec 22 (Birth Anniversary of Ramanujan) – **Kaisa Matomaki and Maksym Radziwill**

The teenage girl from United Arab Emirates who has been awarded the International Children's Peace Prize 2016 by the KidsRights Foundation for her fight for climate justice and against environmental degradation – **Khekashan Basu**

The scholar from the People's Republic of China who has been awarded the 2nd ICCR Distinguished Indologist Award by the President – **Prof. Yu Long Yu**

Appointments

The new and 21st Lieutenant Governor of Delhi who has been appointed following the resignation of Shri Najeeb Jung – **Anil Bajjal**

The Vice Chief of Air Staff who has been chosen to be the next Chief of Air Staff succeeding Air Chief Marshal Arup Raha retiring on 31 Dec 2016 – **Air Marshal BS Dhanoa**

The Vice Chief of Army Staff who has been chosen to be the next Chief of Army Staff succeeding Gen Dalbir Singh Suhag retiring on 31 Dec 2016 – **Lt Gen Bipin Rawat**

The leader of National Party of New Zealand who has taken over as the Prime Minister following resignation of John Key – **Bill English**

The senior most judge of Supreme Court who has been chosen to be the next Chief Justice of India from 04 Jan 2017 – **Justice JS Khehar**

The new Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu appointed following the passing away of Ms J. Jayalalitha – **O. Panneerselvam**

Sports

The State which has been chosen to host National Games in 2022 – **Meghalaya**

The cricketer from Gujarat who has broken a 117-year old record of highest total for a batsman carrying his bat through the innings by scoring 359 runs not out – **Samit Gohel**

The Indian cricketer who has been chosen as the Captain of the Australia's ODI Team of the Year 2016 – **Virat Kohli**

The Tanzanian professional boxer whom Indian boxer Vijender Singh defeated to retain his WBO Asia-Pacific Super Middleweight title – **Francis Cheka**

The team which has won the 2016 Indian Super League football tournament defeating Kerala Blasters in the finals – **Atletico de Kolkata**

The team India defeated in the finals to win the Hockey Junior World Cup tournament 2016 held in Lucknow – **Belgium**

The Portuguese footballer who has been awarded the Ballon d'Or Award for the fourth time in his career – **Cristiano Ronaldo**

The Ethiopian athlete who has been awarded the 2016 World Athlete of the Year (Female) by the International Association of Athletic Federation – **Almaz Ayana**

The Jamaica athlete who has been awarded the 2016 World Athlete of the Year (Male) by the International Association of Athletic Federation – **Usain Bolt**

The team India defeated in the finals to win the Women's Asia Cup T20 cricket tournament in Thailand – **Pakistan**

The Norwegian chess player who has won the World Chess Championship title defeating Russian player Sergey Karjakin in a tie break – **Magnus Carlsen**

Defence

The 120 kg. class smart weapon, developed by DRDO, and capable of engaging ground targets up to a range of 100 kms successfully test fired in Chandipur – **SAAW (Smart Anti-Airfield Weapon)**

The seventh edition of joint military exercise between the Indian Army and Maldives National Defence Force being held from 15 to 28 Dec 16 at Kadhdhoo, Laamu Atoll, Maldives is named – **EKuverin**

The ninth edition of annual bilateral maritime exercise between Indian Navy and Russian Navy being conducted in Bay of Bengal from 14 to 21 Dec is named – **INDRA NAVY-16**

The 2016 edition of the annual bilateral maritime exercise between the Indian Navy and the Royal Navy (United Kingdom) being held from 05 - 16 Dec 16 at Mumbai and Goa is named – **Exercise Konkan**

Persons – India

The former Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh who passed away on 28 Dec 2016 – **Sundar Lal Patwa**

The renowned painter, instrumental in designing the National Emblem, who passed away on December 25 – **Dinanath Bhargava**

The Bollywood actress who has been chosen to be the PETA Person of the Year 2016 for promoting the rescue of homeless dogs and cats – **Sunny Leone**

The noted Gandhian, environmentalist and author of the book Aaj bhi khade hai Talaab who passed away on 19 Dec 2016 – **Anupam Mishra**

The Union Cabinet minister who has been included in the Global Thinkers 2016 (Decision Makers) by the American magazine Foreign Policy – **Sushma Swaraj**

The Indian film actress who has been appointed UNICEF's Global Goodwill Ambassador – **Priyanka Chopra**

The noted Tamil actor, editor, political satirist, film director and founder editor of Thuglak magazine who passed away on 07 Dec 2016 – **Cho Ramaswamy (Srinivas Iyer)**

The 13 member Committee of Chief Ministers constituted by the Central Govt to promote digital payment systems to promote transparency, financial inclusion and also prepare a roadmap in this regard is headed by – **Chandrababu Naidu**

Persons – World

The contestant from Puerto Rico who has been crowned Miss World 2016 at the beauty pageant held in Oxon Hill, Maryland, USA – **Stephanie Del Valle**

The person at the top of Forbes World's Most Powerful people with the Indian Prime Minister at position #9 – **Vladimir Putin**

The American aviator, astronaut and senator who became the first from his country to orbit the earth in 1962, who passed away on 08 Dec 2016 – **John Glenn**

The new Prime Minister of France named following the resignation of Manuel Valls on 06 Dec 2016 – **Bernard Cazeneuve**

TIME's Person of the Year 2016 – **Donald Trump**

The Prime Minister of New Zealand who has announced his decision to resign after being in office for 8 years – **John Key**

Places

The State which has launched malaria elimination scheme 'Daman' in eight of its districts – **Odisha**

The place in Punjab where foundation stone laying ceremony for setting up the first Second Generation (2G) Ethanol Bio-refinery in India is being held on 25th December, 2016 with an approximate investment of Rs 600 crores by Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) – **Village Tarkhanwala, Bathinda**

The city in which North Eastern Institute of Ayurveda and Homoeopathy (NEIAH), was formally inaugurated by the Minister of State for AYUSH Shri Shripad Yesso Naik – **Shillong**

The State which has banned illegal Sharia courts functioning in the premises of mosques in the State – **Tamil Nadu**

The place in Uttarakhand where a statue of renowned Tamil poet and philosopher Thiruvalluvar was unveiled by the Chief Minister Harish Rawat – **Haridwar**

The venue of multidisciplinary Serendipity Arts Festival to be held from 16 to 23 Dec 2016 – **Goa**

The State which has banned carrying of arms at wedding functions after several incidents of celebratory firing has resulted in loss of lives – **Haryana**

The city in Uttar Pradesh where the Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone of India's first Indian Institute of Skills – **Kanpur**

The country which has demonetized its highest denomination of 100 bolivar banknotes to curb mafia hoardings – **Venezuela**

The country with which India has signed a \$700 million deal for the supply of M777 ultra-light howitzers manufactured by BAE Systems – **USA**

The places in Uttar Pradesh between which Asia's first and longest cycle highway (207 km) was recently inaugurated – **Etawah and Agra**

Space News

The first mini-satellite of China dedicated to carbon dioxide detection and monitoring launched using a Long March-2D (Chang Zheng-2D) launch vehicle from Jiuquan Satellite Launch Center is named – **TanSat**

The first of second generation weather satellites launched by China from Xichang Satellite Launch Centre in southwest China's Sichuan Province is named – **Fengyun-4**

Technology

The mobile app for the Unified Payment Interface which will be common for all banks and financial institutions, launched by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi is named – **BHIM (Bharat Interface for Mobile)**

The App launched by Govt of India to track progress on household electrification in 6 lakh villages, with more than 15 lakh habitations having 17 crore people is named – **Garv-II**

The TV channel launched by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeiTY) to promote digital transactions is named – **DigiShala**

Miscellaneous

The IVRS number launched by the DoT in Delhi, Mumbai, Punjab, UP, Uttarakhand, Maharashtra and Goa to address the problem of call drops – **1955**

The theme of National Consumer Day 2016 observed on December 24 – **Alternate Consumer Disputes Redressal**

The Merriam Webster Word of the Year 2016 (definition in the dictionary: marked by the intense irrational reality of a dream) – **Surreal**

The rank of India in the Global Wind Power Capacity status released by Global Wind Energy Council for the year 2015 – **4th**

The national newspaper for senior citizen published by Harikrit Publishers, Delhi, the first issue of which was released by the Union Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment, Shri Thaawarchand Gehlot – **Saanjhi Saanjh**

The stations between which the first Humsafar clan of trains (fully Air Conditioned 3 AC service having facility GPS based Passenger Information System, Passenger announcement System, fire and smoke detection and suppression system, CCTVs, integrated Braille display, Fire retardant curtains, etc.) was flagged off by the Rail Minister – **Gorakhpur to Anand Vihar**

The language which has been ranked as the most powerful by the Power Language Index 2016 published by World Economic Forum (Hindi has been ranked 10th) – **English**

The mind-body discipline based on ancient Indian philosophy which has been inscribed by the UNESCO in its list of Intangible Cultural Heritage – **Yoga**

The Govt bank whose merger with State Bank of India has been approved by the Competition Commission of India – **Bhartiya Mahila Bank**

Important Days of December

World AIDS Day: 01.12.2016 Launched by: World Health Organisation Theme: Hands up for #HIVPrevention First Observed in: 1988	International Day of Persons with Disabilities: 03.12.2016 Established by : United Nations Organisation Theme: Achieving 17 Goals for the Future We Want First Observed in: 1992
International Volunteer Day: 05 December 2016 Established by : United Nations General Assembly Theme: Global Applause - Give Volunteers a Hand First Observed in: 1986	World Soil Day: 05 December 2016 First launched by : International Union of Soil Sciences (2002) Endorsed by : Food and Agricultural Organisation (Jun 2013) Accepted by : United Nations General Assembly (Dec 2013) Theme: Soil and Pulses, a Symbiosis for Life

International Anti Corruption Day: 09.12.2016 Established by : United Nations General Assembly Theme: United against corruption for development, peace and security First Observed in: 2003	United Nations Human Rights Day: 10.12.2016 Established by : United Nations General Assembly Theme: Stand up for someone's rights today First Observed in: 1948
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Abbreviations in News

WIFEX: Winter Fog Experiment

UPI: United Payments Interface

SAAW: Smart Anti-Airfield Weapon

BHIM: Bharat Interface for Mobile

ICC AWARDS 2016

ICC Cricketer of the Year (Sir Garfield Sobers Trophy) – **Ravichandran Ashwin** (India)

ICC Test Cricketer of the Year – **Ravichandran Ashwin** (India)

ICC ODI Cricketer of the Year – **Quinton de Kock** (South Africa)

ICC Women’s ODI Cricketer of the Year – **Suzie Bates** (New Zealand)

ICC Women’s T20I Cricketer of the Year – **Suzie Bates** (New Zealand)

ICC T20 Performance of the Year – **Carlos Brathwaite** (West Indies) (34 not out, 10 balls, 1x4, 4x6, ICC WT20 India 2016 final v England, Kolkata)

ICC Emerging Cricketer of the Year – **Mustafizur Rahman** (Bangladesh)

ICC Associate/Affiliate Cricketer of the Year – **Mohammad Shahzad** (Afghanistan)

ICC Spirit of Cricket Award – **Misbah-ul-Haq** (Pakistan)

ICC Umpire of the Year (David Shepherd Trophy) – **Marais Erasmus**

Release of Commemorative Postage Stamps

Department of Posts has released a special stamp cover on freedom fighter Shri Gaya Prasad Katiyar. Gaya Prasad Katiyar was born at Jagadishpur (UP). He joined Hindustan Socialist Republican Association in 1925 and got connected with Chandra Shekhar Azad and Bhagat Singh. Later he participated on Lahore Conspiracy Case and was arrested from Saharanpur in 1929. He joined the hunger strike at Lahore Jail with his co prisoners. Later he was transported to Cellular jail in Andaman and again he

participated on hunger strike there. He was repatriated in 1937 but again arrested and transported to cellular jail from where he was released in 1946.

Postage stamps were also released on Personalities Series: Bihar and Hardayal Municipal Heritage Public Library at Chandni Chowk, Delhi.

The eight personalities of Bihar whose commemorative stamps were released are:

1. Dr. Sachchidananda Sinha;
2. Karpoori Thakur;
3. Dashrath Manjhi;
4. Vidyapati;
5. Kailashpati Mishra;
6. Kunwar Singh;
7. Phanishwar Nath Renu and
8. Sri Krishna Sinha

[AIFF AWARDS 2016](#)

Men's Player of the Year: **Jeje Lalpekhlua**

Woman Footballer of the Year: **Sasmita Malik**

Emerging Player of the Year: **Rowllin Borges**

Emerging Woman Footballer of the Year: **Sanju**

Award for Best Grassroots Development Programme: **Punjab Football Association**

Award for Best Referee: **Pranjal Banerjee**

Award for Best Assistant Referee: **Joseph Tony**

[Sahitya Akademi Awards 2016](#)

Language	Title and Genre	Author
Assamese	Meghmalar Bhraman (Poetry)	Jnan Pujari
Bengali	Mahabharater Astadashi (Essays)	Nrisinghaprasad Bhaduri
Bodo	Ang Maboroi Dong Dasong (Poetry)	Anjali Narzary
Dogri	Cheta (Short stories)	Chhatrapal
English	Em and the big Hoom (Novel)	Jerry Pinto
Gujarati	Anekek (Poetry)	Kamal Vora
Hindi	Paarijat (Novel)	Nasira Sharma
Kannada	Swatantryada Ota (Novel)	Boluwaru Mohammad Kunhi
Kashmiri	Aane Khane (Criticism)	Aziz Hajini
Konkani	Kale Bhangar (Novel)	Edwin J.F. D'souza
Maithili	Barki Kaki at Hotmail Dot Com (Short stories)	Shyam Darihare
Malayalam	Shyamamadhavam (Poetry)	Prabha Varma
Manipuri	Cheptharaba Eshingpun (Short Stories)	Moirangthem Rajen
Marathi	Aalok (Short stories)	Asaram Lomate
Nepali	Janmabhumi Mero Swadesh (Novel)	Gita Upadhyay
Odia	Prapti (Short Stories)	Paramita Satpathy
Punjabi	Masia Di Raat (Play)	Swarajbir
Rajasthani	Murdjat Ar Dujee Kahaniyan (Short Stories)	Bulaki Sharma

Sanskrit	Kavyanirjhari (Poetry)	Sitanath Acharya
Santali	Nalha (Poetry)	Gobinda Chandra Majhi
Sindhi	Akhar Katha (Poetry)	Nand Javeri
Tamil	Oru Siru Isai (Short Stories)	Vannadhasan
Telugu	Rajanigandha (Poetry)	Papineni Sivasankar
Urdu	Mabad-e-Jadidiat Se Naye Ahed Ki Takhliqiyat Tak (Criticism)	Nizam Siddiqui

India England Test Series 2016

Test Match	Venue	Won by	Player of the match
1.	Rajkot	Drawn	MM Ali (England)
2.	Visakhapatham	India	Jayant Yadav (India)
3.	Mohali	India	Ravindra Jadeja (India)
4.	Mumbai	India	Virat Kohli (India)
5.	Chennai	India	Karun Nair (India)

Player of the Series: **Virat Kohli**

First Englishman to cross 11,000 runs: **Alastair Cook** (5th test)

Karun Nair became the second India to score a triple century after Virender Sehwag and only the third man in the game's history to convert a maiden Test ton into a triple.

Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana, 2016

The Taxation and Investment Regime for Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana, 2016 (the Scheme) introduced vide The Taxation Laws (Second Amendment) Act, 2016 commenced on 17th December, 2016 and shall remain open for declarations up to 31st March, 2017.

The salient features of the Scheme are as under:

Declaration under the Scheme can be made by any person in respect of undisclosed income in the form of cash or deposits in an account with bank or post office or specified entity.

Tax @30% of the undisclosed income, surcharge @33% of tax and penalty @10% of such income is payable besides mandatory deposit of 25% of the undisclosed income in Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Deposit Scheme, 2016. The deposits are interest free and have a lock-in period of four years.

The income declared under the Scheme shall not be included in the total income of the declarant under the Income-tax Act for any assessment year.

The declarations made under the Scheme shall not be admissible as evidence under any Act (eg. Central Excise Act, Wealth-tax Act, Companies Act etc.). However, no immunity will be available under Criminal Acts mentioned in section 199-O of the Scheme.

Non declaration of undisclosed cash or deposit in accounts under the Scheme will render such undisclosed income liable to tax, surcharge and cess totaling to 77.25% of such income, if declared in the return of income. In case the same is not shown in the return of income a further penalty @10% of tax shall also be levied followed by prosecution. It may be noted that the provisions for levy of penalty for misreporting of income @200% of tax payable under section 270A of the Income-tax Act have not been amended and shall continue to apply with respect to cases falling under the said section.

The Taxation Laws (Second Amendment) Act, 2016 has also amended the penalty provisions in respect of search and seizure cases. The existing slab for penalty of 10%, 20% & 60% of income levied under section 271AAB has been rationalised to 30% of income, if the income is admitted and taxes are paid. Otherwise a penalty @60% of income shall be levied.

Launch of RESOURCESAT-2A

Launch Date: 07 Dec 2016

Launched from: Satish Dhawan Space Centre SHAR, Sriharikota.

Launch vehicle: PSLV-C36

Like its predecessors RESOURCESAT-1 and 2, RESOURCESAT-2A has a unique 3-Tier imaging system with Advanced Wide Field Sensor (AWiFS), Linear Imaging Self Scanner-3 (LISS-3) and Linear Imaging Self Scanner-4 (LISS-4) cameras. The AWiFS provides images with a sampling of 56 metres, a swath of 740 km and a revisit of 5 days whereas the LISS-3 provides 23.5 metre sampled images with 141 km swath and a repetivity of 24 days. LISS-4 provides 5.8 metre sampled images with 70 km swath and a revisit of 5 days.

The data sent by RESOURCESAT-2A will be useful for agricultural applications like crop area and crop production estimation, drought monitoring, soil mapping, cropping system analysis and farm advisories generation.

This is the launch vehicle's 38th flight (37th consecutively successful mission). The total number of satellites launched by PSLV is 122 (43 Indian and remaining 79 from abroad).

Amritsar Declaration

Made at: Sixth Ministerial Conference of the Heart of Asia - Istanbul Process (HoA-IP) in Amritsar on 04 Dec 2016

Chaired by: Shri Arun Jaitley and Mr. Salahuddin Rabbani (Foreign Minister of Afghanistan)

Inaugurated by: Shri Narendra Modi and Mr. Mohammad Ashraf Ghani (President of Afghanistan)

Participating countries: Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, China, India, Iran, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Pakistan, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Tajikistan, Turkey, Turkmenistan, the United Arab Emirates, and the United Nations.

Guest countries: Austria, Bulgaria, Latvia and Uzbekistan

Salient Features of Amritsar Declaration

Recognized that terrorism is the gravest challenge that the Heart of Asia region and the rest of the international community faces. It recognized the necessity of taking serious measures to address recruitment of youth to extremist and terrorist networks.

It undertook to develop a regional approach to counter radicalization by tasking relevant experts from the fields of security, education and local governance to meet in the first half of 2017 to identify key areas to be addressed for developing this regional approach and provide recommendations to be presented to the Senior Officials Meeting of the HoA-IP in the first half of 2017 for further action on this critical issue.

It expressed concern about the increase in production and cultivation of opium in Afghanistan, the volume of drug trafficking and demand in the HoA Region and beyond. In this regard, it recognised that it was essential to integrate a comprehensive approach in addressing the drug problem of Afghanistan and the HoA region.

It urged all Afghan Taliban groups and all other armed groups to enter into peace talks with the Government of Afghanistan and also urged all those countries in the region and beyond who have leverages and influence to help bring the Taliban to the negotiation table.

100 million for 100 million

Campaign organised by: Nobel Laureate Kailash Satyarthi

Launched by: President Shri Pranab Mukherjee on 11.12.16.

Aim of the campaign: To mobilise 100 million youth and children for 100 million underprivileged children across the world, to end child labour, child slavery, violence against children and promote the right of every child to be safe, free, and educated, over the next 5 years.

Current Affairs Questions

1. National Mathematics Day is observed on

- a. December 20 b. December 22 c. December 24 d. December 26

2. Which country did India defeat to win the 2016 Under-19 Asia Cup international cricket tournament held in Sri Lanka in December 2016?

- a. Pakistan b. Bangladesh c. Sri Lanka d. Malaysia

3. Garv-II App launched by Govt of India is related to

- a. Household electrification b. Swachh Bharat Abhiyan

15. Which South American country demonetized its highest denomination of 100 bolivar banknotes recently?

- a. Venezuela b. Columbia c. Chile d. Peru

16. With which of the following countries has India entered into an agreement to train its pilots on Sukhoi 30MK2 fighter aircraft?

- a. Indonesia b. Vietnam c. Thailand d. Myanmar

17. How many double centuries has Virat Kohli scored in the calendar year 2016?

- a. one b. two c. three d. none

18. Which country won the Women's Asia Cup T20 cricket tournament held in Thailand recently?

- a. Pakistan b. Sri Lanka c. India d. Bangladesh

19. The annual bilateral maritime exercise between the Indian Navy and the Royal Navy held recently is named

- a. Exercise Konkan b. Exercise Kyant c. Exercise Sahyadri d. Exercise Kutch

20. What was the name of the cyclone which the eastern coast of India causing loss to property and lives in December 2016?

- a. Kyant b. Vardah c. Hudhud d. Priya

21. How many types of disabilities have been recognised by the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Bill 2016 passed by the Parliament recently?

- a. 7 b. 11 c. 16 d. 21

22. Which of the following is the correct expansion of UPI?

- a. United Payments Interface b. Unified Payments Interface
c. Unified Payment by Internet d. Utility Payment Interface

23. What is the percentage of discount offered for cashless refuelling announced by the government to encourage cashless economy?

- a. 0.25% b. 0.50% c. 0.75% d. 1%

24. Who of the following has been awarded the Sir Garfield Sobers Trophy by the ICC?

- a. Virat Kohli b. R Ashwin c. Alastair Cook d. Quentin d Kock

25. Who of the following has been presented the ICFA Global Agriculture Leadership Lifetime Achievement Award 2016?

- a. Mukesh Ambani b. Aziz Premji c. Narayan Murthy d. Ratan Tata

26. Who of the following is the only Indian woman to be included in the ICC Women's Team of the Year 2016?

- a. Smriti Mardhana b. Mithali Raj c. Harmanpreet Kaur d. Poonam Raut

27. On which of the following libraries was commemorative postal stamp released recently?

- a. Khuda Baksh Oriental Library b. Asafia State Library
c. Hardayal Municipal Heritage Public Library d. National Library of India

28. Who of the following has been awarded the Sahitya Akademi Award 2016 for his writings in English?

- a. Jerry Pinto b. Ruskin Bond c. Arvind Adiga d. Amitav Ghosh

29. Karun Nair who became the second Indian to score a triple century in Test cricket achieved the feat against England in the test match at

- a. Visakhapatnam b. Chennai c. Mumbai d. Rajkot

30. With which game is Shiva Kesavan associated?

- a. Lacrosse b. Luge c. Ringette d. Skiing

31. 100 million for 100 million is a campaign organised by

- a. Kailash Satyarthi b. Bezwada Wilson c. Anna Hazare d. T.M. Krishna

32. Who of the following has been chosen as the Men's Player of the Year by All India Football Federation?

- a. Sunil Chhetri b. Jeje Lalpekhlua c. Eugeneson Lyngdoh d. Robin Singh

33. In which state was Asia's first and longest cycle highway inaugurated recently?

- a. Rajasthan b. Maharashtra c. Gujarat d. Uttar Pradesh

34. At which of the following places is a nuclear power plant being set up in Andhra Pradesh?

- a. Kovvada b. Donakonda c. Amaravathi d. Tenali

35. Who has been chosen as the Person of the Year 2016 by the TIME magazine?

- a. Vladimir Putin b. Narendra Modi c. Donald Trump d. Hillary Clinton

36. Who of the following has been awarded the Ballon d'Or Award for the year 2016?

- a. Cristiano Ronaldo b. Lionel Messi c. Neymar d. Paul Pogba

37. In which city was the foundation stone of India's first Indian Institute of Skills laid by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi recently?

- a. Dehradun b. Kanpur c. Vadodara d. Bhopal

38. Which of the following is a national newspaper for senior citizens, the first issue of which was released recently?

- a. Naya Savera b. Suryoday c. Saanjhi Saanjh d. Varishth Nagrik

39. Anupam Mishra who passed away recently was a noted

- a. Environmentalist b. Politician c. Painter d. Musician

40. Who of the following has been chosen as the Person of the Year 2016 by PETA?

- a. Sunny Leone b. Kangana Ranaut c. Sonam Kapoor d. Shraddha Kapoor

41. Lalmatia, where a coal mine collapse claimed the lives of several people is located in –

- a. Bihar b. Odisha c. Jharkhand d. Chhattisgarh

42. In which country is the World's highest bridge "Beipanjiang Bridge" located?

- a. China b. South Korea c. Japan d. Mongolia

Answers

1. b 2. c 3. a 4. b 5. d 6. a 7. c 8. c 9. a 10. a 11. b
12. d 13. d 14. c 15. a 16. b 17. c 18. c 19. a 20. b 21. d 22. b
23. c 24. b 25. d 26. a 27. c 28. a 29. b 30. b 31. a 32. b 33. d
34. a 35. c 36. a 37. b 38. c 39. a 40. a 41. c 42. a