



EXCEL CIVILS ACADEMY

DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS

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EXPLANATION

1. Ans (b)

Explanation:

The eight core sector industries include coal, crude oil, natural gas, refinery products, fertiliser, steel, cement and electricity. The eight core industries comprise nearly 40% of the weight of items included in the Index of Industrial Production (IIP). The eight Core Industries in decreasing order of their weightage: Refinery Products > Electricity > Steel > Coal > Crude Oil > Natural Gas > Cement > Fertilizers.

2. Ans (c)

Explanation:

Argentina's has legalised abortions up to the 14th week of pregnancy. Prior to this, women were forced to turn to illegal and unsafe procedures because abortion was against the law in Argentina. For women from socio-economically disadvantaged backgrounds, the scope of access to safe medical procedures for abortion was even narrower.

3. Ans (b)

Explanation:

The Maharashtra Cabinet cleared the draft of a Bill prepared on the lines of the Disha Act passed by the Andhra Pradesh government to curb crimes against women and children. The draft of the Maharashtra Shakti Criminal Law (Maharashtra Amendment) Act, 2020, proposes death penalty in cases of rape, acid attack, and serious crimes against children. The proposed Maharashtra Shakti Act of 2020 will have stern punishment for offences of sexual assault and a provision to complete investigation within 15 days.

4. Ans (c)

Explanation:

In 1938, Subhash Chandra Bose became the president of INC at Haripur session. In 1939, Subhash Chandra Bose again became the president of INC by defeating Gandhi's candidate Pattabhi Sitaramayya. In 1928, Subhash Chandra Bose opposed the Dominion status as proposed in the Nehru Report.

5. Ans (a)

Explanation:

The objective of the ICI is to provide an advance indication on production performance of industries of 'core' nature before the release of Index of Industrial Production (IIP). The Index is compiled and released by Office of the Economic Adviser (OEA). The eight core sector industries include coal, crude oil, natural gas, refinery products, fertiliser, steel, cement and electricity. The eight core industries comprise nearly 40% of the weight of items included in the Index of Industrial Production (IIP).

6. Ans (b)

Explanation:

The Spratly Islands are a disputed archipelago in the South China Sea. Composed of islands, islets and cays and more than 100 reefs, sometimes grouped in submerged old atolls, the archipelago lies off the

coasts of the Philippines, Malaysia, and southern Vietnam. The Strait of Hormuz is a strait between the Persian Gulf and the Gulf of Oman. On the north coast lies Iran, and on the south coast the United Arab Emirates and Musandam, an exclave of Oman. It provides the only sea passage from the Persian Gulf to the open ocean and is one of the world's most strategically important choke points.

7. Ans (c)

Explanation:

Lightning is a very rapid — and massive — discharge of electricity in the atmosphere, some of which is directed towards the Earth's surface. Occurrences of lightning are not tracked in India, and there is simply not enough data for scientists to work with. Often, safety measures and precautions against lightning strikes do not receive as much publicity as other natural disasters such as earthquakes.

8. Ans (d)

Explanation:

Union Minister of Education, Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' has virtually laid the foundation stone of "TiHAN-IIT Hyderabad" (The Technology Innovation Hub on Autonomous Navigation Systems), first Testbed for Autonomous Navigation Systems (Terrestrial and Aerial) at IIT Hyderabad.

9. Ans:c

Explanation:

In Madhya Pradesh, popular classical music festival 'Tansen Samaroh' began with traditional style in Gwalior with the recitations of Harikatha and Milad. The 5-day festival is celebrated every year in the memory of one of the most eminent singers of Indian history, 'Mian Tansen'. Tansen Samaroh, the oldest and esteemed classical music festival in India is organised by Ustad Alauddin Khan Kala Evam Sangeet Academy, under the Madhya Pradesh culture department attracts thousands of musicians and aspiring singers from all over the country.

10. Ans (b)

Explanation:

The Indian Naval Ship (INS) Kiltan has departed from Sihanoukville Port in Cambodia after delivering 15 tonnes of humanitarian assistance and flood relief (HADR) material for the flood-affected people as a part of the Mission Sagar III.