

CURRENT AFFAIRS

1. India Ranked 52nd in Digital Quality of Life Index -

• India has been ranked 52nd out of 121 countries in the Digital Quality of Life Index Survey 2023.

 The annual survey by the Netherlands-based firm has ranked 121 countries on five factors: internet quality, internet affordability, einfrastructure, e-government, and e-security.



- In Asia, India takes 13th place, with Singapore the leader in the region.
- The top 3 Countries in the Digital Quality of Life Index survey are Denmark, South Korea, and Finland

2. West Bengal's Shantiniketan makes it to UNESCO World Heritage list -

- Shantiniketan has been included in the UNESCO World Heritage list.
- Santiniketan becomes the 41st UNESCO World Heritage Site in India and the third in West Bengal, after the Sundarbans National Park and the Darjeeling Mountain Railways.



- The decision to include Santiniketan in the list was taken during the 45th session of the World Heritage Committee in Saudi Arabia.
- Established in 1901 by Maharshi Debendranath Tagore, located in Birbhum district of West Bengal.



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3. Biswanath Ghat in Assam named 'Best Tourism Village of India 2023 -

 Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma announced that Biswanath Ghat has been selected as the Best Tourism Village of

India 2023 by the Ministry of Tourism.

 Located on the banks of the Brahmaputra River, Biswanath Ghat is also popularly known as 'Gupta Kashi 'and is named after the ancient Biswanath Mandir.



- The village is located towards the south of Biswanath Charialii Town.
- The ghat boasts a cluster of temples of different gods.

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Quiz

- Q1. Consider the following statements with reference to Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN).
 - 1. Adherence to the principles of the United Nations Charter is one of the core principles of ASEAN.
 - 2. India is not part of the ASEAN Plus Six grouping.
 - 3. India has signed a Free Trade Agreement with ASEAN.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) All three
- d) None
- Q2. Which one of the following groups of items is included in India's foreign-exchange reserves?
 - a) Foreign-currency assets, Special Drawing Rights (SDRs) and loans from foreign countries
 - b) Foreign-currency assets, gold holdings of the RBI and SDRs
 - c) Foreign-currency assets, loans from the World Bank and SDRs
 - d) Foreign-currency assets, gold holdings of the RBI and loans from the World Bank

- Q3. Crimean Peninsula is lying between which two water bodies
 - a) Black Sea and the Sea of Azov.
 - b) Black sea and Sea of Maramara
 - c) Red sea and Mediterranean Sea
 - d) Black sea and Mediterranean Sea
- Q4. Which animal has been recently recognized as a 'food animal' by the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI)?
 - a) Mithun
 - b) Gayal
 - c) Yak
 - d) Bison
- Q5. Where are Indian naval vessels, a submarine, and a Long-Range Maritime Patrol Aircraft currently located to participate in the 30th edition of SIMBEX?
 - a) Singapore
 - b) Australia
 - c) South Korea
 - d) Malaysia
- Q6. Which month is designated as National Nutrition Month in India?
 - a) August
 - b) October
 - c) September
 - d) November

Answer Key

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