

Current Affairs Short Questions for Competitive Exams 2019-- Part 3

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Farm Kit to Detect Virus in Shrimps

Mangalore-based College of Fisheries has developed a diagnostic kit for the detection of 'white spot viruses in shrimps. This virus spread all over the world Due to this virus, shrimps industry is facing Rs. 500 crores loss annually Developed by the Department of Aquaculture of the college, 2006. The technology was developed with funding assistance from the Department of biotechnology of the Government of India.

Indian American Abraham Pannikottu to Develop Zero pressure Tyres

Zero pressure tyre, a totally new concept of tyre is being developed by An Indian-American owned engineering firm. American Engineering Group (AEG) at Akron (Ohio-based), has received a huge amount for Phase-II project from the US Department of Defense to develop tyres. Tyres can resist even after being ragged by roadside bombs or gunfire. Zero pressure tires have been testing for a long time, it records some major drawbacks-bumpy rides and overheating.

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India is Dubai's Largest Non-Oil Trading partner in 2013-14

According to the report released by Dubai Department of Economic Development marked India has once again emerged as the largest non-oil trading partner of Dubai in 2013-14. The bilateral trade between the two countries in 2013-14 crossed 37 billion US dollar, which is 10 percent of the overall trade.

Notre Dame Chemists Discovered New Class of Antibiotics

A team of University of Notre Dame researchers led by May land Chang and Shahriar Mobashery have discovered a new class of antibiotics to fight

Bacteria such as methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) and other drug-resistant bacteria that threaten public health. Their research is published in the Journal of the American Chemical Society in an article titled "Discovery of a New Class of Non-beta-lactam Inhibitors of Penicillin-Binding Proteins with Gram-Positive Antibacterial Activity." The new class, ox diazoles, was discovered in silico (by computer) screening and has shown promise in the treatment of MRSA in mouse models of infection

China Tested Anti-smog Drone Aircraft

China tested a domestically-produced anti-smog drone aircraft the aircraft was designed to disperse smog the unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) dispersed fog and smog by releasing a chemical catalyst. The chemical will freeze pollutants and make them fall to the ground.

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Sahitya Akademi Awards Presented

Famous poets Javed Akhtar (Urdu), Subodh Sarkar (Bengali) and Ambika Dutt (Rajasthan) were among the literary giants who were felicitated by the Sahitya Akademi at the ongoing annual "Festival of Letters" in New Delhi on 11 March. Novelists Mridula Garg (Hindi), Man Mohan (Punjabi) and R.N. Joe D' Cruz (Tamil) were among those who accepted the awards from the Sahitya Akademi president Biswanath Prasad Tiwari The award winners included Raindrop Sarkar (Assamese), Anil(Bodo), Site Ram Sapolia (Dogri), Temsula Ao (English), Chinu Modi (Gujarati), C.N Ramachandran (Kannada), Modi-ud-Din Rishi (Kashmiri), Tukaram Ram Shet (Konkani), Suresh war Jha(Maithili), M. N. Paloor (Malayalam), Makhonmani Mongsaba (Manipuri) and Satish Kalsekar (Marathi), Katyayani Vidmahe (Telugu).

Former SC Judge Appointed As FPSB Chairman

Justice (Retd) BN Srikrishna has been appointed as the Chairman of Financial Planning the former chairman of Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA). Srikrishna is a retired judge of Supreme Court and has served as the Chief Justice of Kerala High Court He has also served as the Chairman of the Financial Sector Legislative Reforms Commission (FSLRC) set up in March 2011 by the Union Ministry of Finance He also headed the Sixth Central pay Commission set up by the Union Government on 5 October 2006.

Michelle Bache let Sworn In as Chile's President

Michelle Bache let has been sworn-in as the president of Chile in Valparaiso on 11 March. She succeeded the conservative president Sebastian Panera In the presidential election conducted in December 2013, Michelle won 62 percent of the vote in the second round against the 38 percent vote won by the conservative leader Evelyn Mathai This is her second term in the office and with this swearing –in she became the first Chilean president in over half a century to return for the second term.

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