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"It is what we know already that often prevents us from learning." ~ Claude Bernard

Dear Students,

At the outset, I on behalf of ICSI family and my own extend our best wishes of the festival of colours, hoping that each one of you shall while having relished in the exuberance, dive deeper to understand the true meaning of the festival and imbibe in your own selves the best of qualities.

Friends, the CSEET being the very first step of the professional journey, comes in our life at a time when we are fresh out of school and still equal bits sure and unsure of the path that lies ahead or the one we might want to pursue.

The Company Secretaryship Course might not be your first choice – you might have picked it on the suggestion of an elderly or it is possible that your decision might have been attached to that of your friends. Nonetheless, one thing that I firmly believe is that if you put in the right amount of efforts and hold the right approach, the Course and the profession holds to key to reward you in ways more than one. Not only does the Course provide you to have opportunities of gainful employment or for those who are a bit more lone-wolves to have their own practice; it also gives each one of us to play howsoever big or small role in the growth story of the nation.

While it all sounds too larger than life, but it is equally true that Company Secretaries have played key roles in shaping many a policies and legislations, steering the direction of global governance discussions and garnered much appreciation for that.

But just as Rome was not built in a day, the journey of becoming a professional and staying a true professional is a lifelong commitment. I hope that the times ahead find you pushing your limits and gaining both knowledge and wisdom in equal measures and with equivalent zeal.

Keep Learning, Keep Growing !!!

Warm regards,

(CS Manish Gupta)

President The Institute of Company Secretaries of India

Current Affairs*

India hosts first meeting of Governing Board of BIMSTEC Energy Centre (BEC) (March 01, 2023)

India hosted the first meeting of the Governing Board of BIMSTEC Energy Centre (BEC) on 27th February, 2023 at Shangi-La Hotel. Bengaluru.

There was active participation from all BIMSTEC countries viz. Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Myanmar, Nepal, Sri Lanka and Thailand along with BIMSTEC Sectt. All member states appreciated the opportunity to have been able to convene after a long hiatus.

India's "Neighbourhood first" and "Act East" Policies were highlighted during the meeting. A snapshot of areas where BIMSTEC countries could learn from each other was also presented.

As the Host of the BIMSTEC Energy Centre, India made a presentation on establishing the BIMSTEC Energy Centre (BEC) in India. It was conveyed to the member countries that the BEC will be housed in the premises of the Central Power Research Institute (CPRI), Bengaluru.

Shri. Ghanshyam Prasad, Chairperson, CEA was nominated as the first Executive Director of the BIMSTEC Energy Centre. The Meeting considered and finalized the Note on "Host Country Agreement between the Government of Republic of India and the BIMSTEC Secretariat". The same was recommended to the Seventh Meeting of BIMSTEC Permanent Working Committee for consideration.

Considering the current energy scenario in BIMSTEC region, the Meeting recommended to add the additional following areas under the specialized Wings of BEC: (a) Cyber Security, (b) Green Hydrogen (c) Energy Transition

The member countries appreciated India's efforts for organizing the first meeting of the Governing Board of BIMSTEC Energy Centre. All countries also expressed that such meetings of the BIMSTEC may happen more frequently.

For details: https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1903266

• Two days Regional Conference on "Good Governance Practices" (March 05, 2023)

The Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DARPG) in collaboration with Government of Madhya Pradesh organized a two-day Regional Conference on the theme "Good Governance Practices" on March 6-7, 2023 at Bhopal.

*Mahesh Airan, Assistant Director, The ICSI.

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This Conference was an effort to bring the Government and Citizens closer through various administrative reforms at the Centre, State and District level. It is being factored by use of digital technology pursuing next generation reforms and innovations with policy objective of "Maximum Governance, Minimum Government", involving Government process Re-engineering, Universal access to e-services, excellence in digital initiatives at district level and excellence in adopting emerging technologies and use of ICT management.

For details: https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1904413

• IICA and IIM Jammu launch "Executive MBA in Corporate Affairs & Management" (March 06, 2023)

The Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA) in association with Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Jammu launched a new programme, Executive MBA in Corporate Affairs and Management at New Delhi.

The programme aims to provide a comprehensive learning of Corporate Affairs, Corporate Governance, Regulatory Compliance, Management and Corporate Social Responsibility. This collaboration between two Institutes of National Importance offers the fusion of the contemporary corporate sector's issues in present VUCA (Volatile, Uncertain, Complex, and Ambiguous) times and management education expertise.

The Executive MBA in Corporate Affairs & Management (Blended Mode) is a unique programme designed for mid-career professionals to enhance and advance their corporate affairs and management skills and knowledge. The minimum experiences required for the programme is three years. The programme is open to all professionals and entrepreneurs from various industries who want to take on corporate affairs leadership roles. The programme will be offered in a blended mode enabling the participants to balance their work and personal commitments while completing the programme.

For details: https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1904670

• United Nations lauds India's G-20 Presidency for highlighting a number of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) (March 10, 2023)

United Nations lauded India's G-20 Presidency for highlighting a number of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) like no poverty, zero hunger, good health and wellbeing, quality education, gender equality, clean water and sanitation.

Addressing the Joint Valedictory Session of the 57TH Capacity Building Programme of the Civil Servants of Bangladesh and Arunachal Pradesh, the UN Resident Coordinator Mr Shombi Sharp said, in fact India's G-20 Presidency has become SDG-20 Presidency as India is raising strong voice to close financial gaps.

Mr Shombi Sharp pointed out that after a long gap, four emerging economies like Indonesia, India, Brazil and South Africa will be holding the G-20 Presidency in a consequent manner to raise the issues of developing countries and to become the Voice of the Global South.

For details: https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1905677

• Atal Innovation Mission launches ATL Sarthi (March 14, 2023)

Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) – NITI Aayog launched ATL Sarthi, a comprehensive selfmonitoring framework to strengthen the ever-growing ecosystem of Atal Tinkering Labs (ATL).

Atal Innovation Mission is establishing Atal Tinkering Laboratories (ATLs) in schools across India to foster curiosity, creativity, and imagination in young minds; and inculcate skills such as design thinking mindset, computational thinking, adaptive learning, physical computing etc. As of date, AIM has funded 10,000 schools to establish Atal Tinkering Labs (ATLs).

AIM is continuously strengthening this ecosystem by developing tools and framework to enhance the performance of ATLs and achieve the desired objectives. ATL Sarthi is one such initiative in this direction. As the name suggests, Sarthi is a charioteer and ATL Sarthi will enable the ATLs to be efficient and effective. The initiative has four pillars ensuring the performance enhancement of ATLs through regular process improvements like a self-reporting dashboard known as '**MyATL Dashboard**' and **Compliance SOPs** for schools to ensure financial and non-financial compliances, on-ground enablement of ATLs in collaboration with relevant local authorities through **Cluster-based Approach** and providing ownership to schools to analyze their performance through **Performance-Enablement (PE) Matrix**.

The ATL Cluster aims at providing a self-sustainable model for enablement and monitoring wherein the ATLs and local authorities work in tandem with each other onground to form clusters of 20-30 ATLs in a particular region. These ATLs can learn from each other through training, collaborations, events and best practices. As a pilot, AIM executed ATL Sarthi with different partners in regions like Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat.

For details: https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1906846

Sample Questions

Paper 1 : Business Communication

- 1. Which of the following is not the correct tip for choosing right words?
 - a. Simplicity
 - b. Avoid using superfluous words/Verbosity
 - c. Use Gender-neutral words.
 - d. Use Jargons
- 2. Graphs are covered under which form of communication?
 - a. Visual communication
 - b. Oral communication
 - c. Written communication
 - d. Audio-visual communication
- 3. Which of the following contains the deleted emails?
 - a. Sent
 - b. Trash
 - c. Inbox
 - d. Spam
- 4. What is the synonym for Erroneous?
 - a. Enormous
 - b. Wrong
 - c. Eroded
 - d. Weak
- 5. A list of items in stock at a given point of time is called_____.
 - a. Lease
 - b. Inventory
 - c. Jury
 - d. Liabilities

Paper 2 : Legal Aptitude and Logical Reasoning

- 6. The President of India can impose presidential rule in a state under ______ of the Constitution of India.
 - a. Article 240
 - b. Article 252
 - c. Article 356
 - d. Article 460
- 7. The legal maxim Injuria Sine Damnum means:
 - a. Only damage
 - b. Injury with damage
 - c. Injury & damage
 - d. Injury without damage
- 8. Which of the following is the function of the Institute of Company Secretaries of India?
 - a. Conduct of elections to the Council of the Institute
 - b. Regulation of Training of the Students
 - c. Examination of the Student
 - d. All of the above
- 9. What is the angle traced by hour hand in 30 minutes?
 - a. 7.5 Degree
 - b. 8 Degree
 - c. 9 Degree
 - d. 15 Degree
- 10. How much angular distance a minute hand covers in a period of 2 Hours and 30 Minutes?
 - a. 140 Degree
 - b. 900 Degree
 - c. 1040 Degree
 - d. 145 Degree

Paper 3 : Economic and Business Environment

- 11. The components of Capital Budget are:
 - a. Capital Receipts and Capital Expenditure
 - b. Capital Receipts and Revenue Receipts
 - c. Only Capital Expenditure
 - d. Only Capital Receipts
- 12. Which of the following is / are the component/s of business environment?
 - a. Political Environment
 - b. Economic Environment
 - c. Social Environment
 - d. All of the above
- 13. The functional relationship of Law of Demand is denoted by:
 - a. Dx = q(Px)
 - b. Dx = s(Px)
 - c. Dx = f(Px)
 - d. Dx = r(Px)
- 14. ______refers to market value of the final goods and services produced within the domestic territory of a country during a financial year, as estimated using the current year prices.
 - a. Real National Product
 - b. Net Domestic Product
 - c. Nominal Gross Domestic Product
 - d. Real Gross Domestic Product
- 15. Expenditure incurred for adding to the stock of inventories is covered under which of the following under the Expenditure Method of computing National Income?
 - a. Consumption Expenditure
 - b. Net Exports
 - c. Government Expenditure
 - d. Investment Expenditure

Paper 4 : Current Affairs

- 16. Who has been appointed as the independent director of the Indian public sector undertaking Satluj Jal Vidyut Nigam?
 - a. Umesh Sinha
 - b. Shashikant Jagannath Wani
 - c. Ajay Garg
 - d. Dinesh Mohanty
- 17. Which country chaired the 19th BIMSTEC ministerial meeting?
 - a. India
 - b. Thailand
 - c. Bangladesh
 - d. Bhutan
- 18. Who has taken oath as the Chief Minister of Tripura for the second time?
 - a. Shantna Chakma
 - b. Shukla Charan Noatia
 - c. Manik Saha
 - d. Sushant Chowdhary
- 19. Axis Bank has acquired the Indian Consumer Business of which Bank?
 - a. Federal Bank
 - b. Citi Bank
 - c. Union Bank of India
 - d. Bandhan Bank
- 20. In which of the following cities, the 'Grand Start-up Conclave' in Animal Husbandry and Dairying was organised which was inaugurated by Shri Parshottam Rupala, Union Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying.
 - a. Hyderabad
 - b. Delhi
 - c. Kolkata
 - d. Bangalore

Answer Key:

1	d	6	С	11	а	16	b
2	а	7	d	12	d	17	b
3	b	8	d	13	С	18	с
4	b	9	d	14	С	19	b
5	b	10	b	15	d	20	а

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