



computerised manufacturing method, which creates real time 3D structures from a design file.

7. Which institution has proposed that India should provide additional incentives on purchase of EVs, in addition to that provided FAME-II?

- [A] Niti Aayog
- [B] GST Council
- [C] Finance Commission
- [D] Society of Automobile Manufacturers

**Answer:** Niti Aayog

India's premier Think Tank NITI AAYOG has stated that the Government of India should provide additional incentives for purchase of Electric Vehicles (EVs), over and above the incentives already provided by under the existing scheme - Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of Hybrid and EV (FAME-II). Also, the Niti Aayog has stated that the Government should include EVs and associated businesses under Priority Sector Lending (PSL) norms.

8. Which body approves the appointment of Finance Secretary of India?

- [A] Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs
- [B] Appointments committee of the Cabinet
- [C] Banks Board Bureau
- [D] Reserve Bank of India

**Answer:** Appointments committee of the Cabinet

The Appointments committee of the Cabinet (ACC) has approved the appointment of present Expenditure Secretary TV Somanathan as the Finance Secretary of Government of India. An order by the Personnel Ministry has been issued in this regard. He is a 1987-batch Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer of the Tamil Nadu cadre.

9. What is the name of the Odia and English writer and a Padma Bhushan awardee, who passed away recently?

- [A] Riyaz Ahamad
- [B] Manoj Das
- [C] Rajendrasingh Baghel
- [D] Laxman Giluwa

**Answer:** Manoj Das

Manoj Das, a famous 20th century Odia and English writer has recently passed away recently. Many of his short stories were translated into major Indian and foreign languages. He received several national awards, including the Padma Bhushan award last year. He was also awarded with several other awards including Kendriya Sahitya Akademi Award, Odisha Sahitya Akademi Award, Sarala Award and Sahitya Bharati Award.

10. Which Indian state Government is to launch a Cleanliness Drive named 'CLAP'?

- [A] Kerala
- [B] Andhra Pradesh
- [C] Karnataka
- [D] Chhattisgarh

**Answer:** Andhra Pradesh

The state government of Andhra Pradesh is set to launch CLAP (Clean Andhra Pradesh) Jagananna Swachha Sankalpam programme. The scheme is expected to be launched in the month of July. 100 days sanitation drive to keep the villages clean will start from May 1. The state has also planning for better sewage water treatment and solid waste management.