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- Which Bank has recently (in Dec '23) received authorisation from Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to distribute pensions through Electronic Pension Payment Order (e-PPOs) on behalf of the Ministry of Railways (MoR)?
 - **Bandhan Bank**

- Name the bank that has recently (in Dec '23) recognised as the top performer of the 2023 Climate Assessment for Financial Institutions (CAFI) Awards for Climate Reporting.
 - **Federal Bank**

- In December 2023, the State Bank of India (SBI) signed a _____ Euro Line of Credit (LoC) with KfW Development Bank, Germany, to support solar photovoltaic(PV) projects in India.
 - **70 million**

- Which Small Finance Bank (SFB) has recently (in Dec '23) entered into a bancassurance partnership with ICICI Prudential Life Insurance for the distribution of life insurance products?
 - **Ujjivan SFB**

- According to the Mercer's Quality of Living City Ranking 2023 released in December 2023, _____ (city) ranked 153rd & tops among Indian Cities for the 6th time, while Vienna (Austria) topped the list for the _____ consecutive year.
 - **Hyderabad (Telangana); 11th**

- In December 2023, Cricketer Asad Shafiq from _____ (country) announced his retirement from all forms of cricket.

- **Pakistan**

- In which city, Chief Minister of Odisha, Naveen Patnaik has recently (in Nov '23) inaugurated India's largest state-of-the-art Sports Science Centre?

- **Bhubaneswar**

- Who has been recently (in Nov '23) named as the next Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Ernst & Young LLP?

- **Janet Truncale**

- The United States and the Philippines have recently (in Nov '23) signed a landmark deal that would allow Washington to export nuclear technology and material to _____ (city of Philippines)

- **Manila**

- Which company has an artificial intelligence (AI)-powered chatbot called 'Bard'?

- **Google**

- Indian Navy observed _____ Submarine Day on 8th December 2023 to commemorate the induction of the Indian Navy's 1st submarine, the erstwhile Indian Naval Ship (INS) Kalvari.

- **56th**

- Name the company that has recently (in Dec '23) unveiled a compact delivery drone, L07 for healthcare and e-commerce industries?

- **Throttle Aerospace Systems Pvt. Ltd**

- Which are the nuclear-powered submarines were recently (in Dec '23) unveiled by Russia in Archangelsk region?

- **Leningrad &Krasnoyarsk**

- Name the Mutual Fund company that has recently (in Dec '23) acquired 1.5% of paid-up equity share capital in Karur Vysya Bank (KVB) Limited through open market transactions.

- **SBI Mutual Funds**

- In December 2023, the Competition Commission of India (CCI) gave its approval to acquire the stakes in _____ (Insurance Company) by Temasek-controlled entity and Motilal Oswal 4(MO) Alternate Investment Advisors Private Limited.

- **Niva Bupa Health Insurance**

- In December 2023, Mohan Yadav was sworn in as the _____ Chief Minister (CM) of Madhya Pradesh (MP)

- **19th**