

## *10 PM Current Affairs Quiz Compilation*

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CURRENT AFFAIRS QUIZ BY FORUMIAS.*

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### **SCHEMES AND PROGRAMS – PROGRAMS - MISSIONS**

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**Q.1) Which of the following diseases is/are covered under Universal Immunization Programme (UIP)?**

1. Japanese Encephalitis
2. Rubella
3. Malaria

**Select the correct answer from the codes given below:**

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Correct Answer: A**

**Explanation:**

UIP covers the following 12 diseases:

- Diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus, Polio, Measles, Rubella, severe form of Childhood Tuberculosis, Rotavirus diarrhea, Hepatitis B and Meningitis & Pneumonia caused by Haemophilus Influenzae type B
- **Sub-nationally against 2 diseases** – Pneumococcal Pneumonia and Japanese Encephalitis.
- Among these, Pneumococcal Conjugate vaccine is nationally expanded while JE vaccine is provided only in endemic districts.

**Source:** [Article](#)

**Q.2) With reference to National Commission for Women (NCW), consider the following statements:**

1. It is a constitutional body.
2. Chairperson of the commission is appointed by the President of India.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Correct Answer: d**

**Explanation:**

**Both statements are incorrect.**

- NCW is a statutory body.
- Chairperson of the commission is appointed by the Central Government.

**Source:** [Article](#)

**Q.3) With reference to Lakhpati SHG women initiative, consider the following statements:**

1. The initiative aims to enable both rural and urban Self-Help Group (SHGs) women to earn at least Rs.1 lakh per annum.
2. It has been launched by Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship.

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**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Correct Answer: d**

**Explanation**

**Both statements are incorrect.**

- The initiative is aimed at rural SHG women.
- It has been launched by Ministry of Rural Development

**Source:** [Article](#)

**Q.4)** Other than India, which of the following group of countries border Myanmar:

- a) Bangladesh, Thailand and Vietnam
- b) Cambodia, Laos and Malaysia
- c) Thailand, Vietnam and Malaysia
- d) Thailand, Laos and Bangladesh

**Correct Answer D**

**Explanation**

**Source:** [Indian Express](#)

**Q.5)** Which of the following statements explains the objective of “Har Ghar Dastak” campaign?

- a) To provide Public Distribution System products to every household.
- b) To provide gas connection to all BPL families.
- c) To provide primary health care kit to all citizens.
- d) To provide Covid vaccine in poor-performing districts.

**Correct Answer: D**

**Explanation**

The Centre has launched a mega vaccination campaign- 'Har Ghar Dastak' with a view to speed up Covid -19 vaccination drive. The door-to-door vaccination campaign will be carried out for a month and aimed towards full vaccination in poor-performing districts.

Source: [PIB](#)

**Q.6) With reference to Dairy Sahakar Scheme, consider the following statements:**

1. The scheme will encourage the cooperative dairy businesses in the country.
2. National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) is the implementing agency for the scheme.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

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**Correct Answer: A**

**Explanation**

- **Statement 1 is correct**
- **Statement 2 is incorrect:** National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) under the Ministry of Cooperation.

**Source:** [Article](#)

**Q.7) Mihir Shah committee sometimes seen in news is associated with?**

- a) Small scale industries and trade policy reform
- b) On working of the capital market infrastructure institutions (MIIs)
- c) Civil Services Reform
- d) Drafting a new water policy

**Correct Answer: D**

**Explanation**

- Mihir Shah committee was formulated to draft a new National Water policy (NWP)

[About Mihir Shah Committee](#)

**Source:** [Article](#)

**Q.8) With reference to e-Chhawani, consider the following statements:**

1. It is a citizen-centric project of Ministry of Home Affairs.
2. The services provided are in a paperless, faceless and cashless environment.

**Which of the statements given above is/are incorrect?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Correct Answer: A**

**Explanation**

- Statement 1 is incorrect: Portal is a project of Ministry of Defence.
- Statement 2 is correct: The services provided by the portal include a grant of Trade licences, renewal of leases, water and sewerage connections, Births and Deaths certificates, appointments in cantonment hospitals among others.

**Source:** [Article](#)

**Q.9) With reference to Ayushman CAPF Scheme health cards, consider the following statements:**

1. The scheme covers serving personnel and their dependents from both Assam Rifles and Border Security Force (BSF).
2. Scheme covers patient healthcare facilities at all Hospitals empanelled under Ayushman Bharat PM-JAY and Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS).
3. It is a joint initiative of the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) and Ministry of Defence.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only

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- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Correct Answer: A**

**Explanation**

- **Statement 1 is correct**
- **Statement 2 is correct**
- **Statement 3 is incorrect:** It is a joint initiative of the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) and National Health Authority (NHA).

**Source:** [Article](#)

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### **GEOGRAPHY – NATURAL RESOURCES AND RESOURCE DISTRIBUTION**

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**Q.1) With reference to Samudrayan, consider the following statements:**

1. It is India's first unique manned ocean mission that aims to send men into the deep sea in a submersible vehicle.
2. One of its aims is the exploration of gas hydrates and polymetallic manganese nodules.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Correct Answer: c**

**Explanation**

**Both statements are correct.**

**About the mission**

- It is India's first unique manned ocean mission that aims to send men into the deep sea in a submersible vehicle for deep-ocean exploration and mining of rare minerals.
- It will send three persons in a manned submersible vehicle MATSYA 6000 to a depth of 6000 metres into the sea for deep underwater studies.

**Note:** India completed the preliminary design of MATSYA 6000 and started the realization of the vehicle. The deepwater manned submersible will be ready for trials by the second quarter of 2024.

- With this, India will join the elite club of nations such as the USA, Russia, Japan, France and China to have such underwater vehicles for carrying out subsea activities.
- It will help in **carrying out deep ocean exploration** of the non-living resources such as polymetallic manganese nodules, gas hydrates etc located at a depth between 1000 and 5500 meters.

**Source:** [Article](#)

**Q.2) Yamal Peninsula sometimes in news is located in which of the following?**

- a) India
- b) Russia
- c) Kazakhstan
- d) Canada

**Correct Answer: B**

**Explanation**

- Yamal Peninsula is in Siberia, Russia. It is famous for a 2016 outbreak of anthrax which led to the culling of more than 2 lakh reindeer and killed one human.

**Source:** [Article](#)

**Q.3) Mullaperiyar dam is located in which of the following state?**

- a) Tamil Nadu
- b) Kerala
- c) Goa
- d) Andhra Pradesh

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**Correct Answer: B**

**Explanation:**

The Mullaperiyar dam is located on the confluence of the Mullayar and Periyar rivers in Kerala's Idukki district. The dam intends to divert the waters of the west-flowing river Periyar eastward to the arid rain shadow regions of the Tamil Nadu.

According to a 999-year lease agreement made during the British rule the operational rights were handed over to Tamil Nadu. So, the dam is operated and maintained by the Tamil Nadu for meeting the drinking water and irrigation requirements of five of its southern districts.

Source: [The Hindu](#)

**Q.4) Ghagra river, is the tributary of which of the following river:**

- a) Yamuna
- b) Ganga
- c) Godavri
- d) Brahmaputra

**Correct Answer B**

**Explanation**

**Answer b is correct:** Ghaghara River is left bank tributary of Ganga River. This river originates in the Tibetan Plateau near Lake Manasarovar. After passing through the Himalayas in Nepal, it joins the Sharda River in India at Brahma Ghat. After a 970-kilometer journey through Uttar Pradesh and Bihar, it enters the Ganges below Chapra.

Source: [TheHindu](#)

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### ENVIRONMENT – ORGANISATIONS AND CONVENTIONS - ORGANISATIONS

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**Q.1) With reference to Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI), consider the following statements:**

1. It is the first ever international collaboration set up by India in the climate change sphere.
2. CDRI aims to create infrastructure and seeks to play the role of a funding agency.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Correct Answer: d**

**Explanation:**

**Both statements are incorrect.**

- It is not the first international collaboration set up by India in the climate change sphere. It is the second one after the International Solar Alliance (ISA).
- CDRI hopes to become a knowledge-network through which member countries can learn from each other and adopt best practices in the development of climate-resilient infrastructure. It doesn't aim to create infrastructure or play the role of a funding agency.

**Source:** [Indian Express](#)

**Q.2) With reference to Snow Leopards, consider the following statement:**

1. It is listed under Schedule 1 of Wildlife Protection Act 1972.
2. It is the state animal of Himachal Pradesh.
3. It is listed as Endangered in the IUCN Red List of species.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 and 3
- b) 2 and 3
- c) 1 and 2
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Correct Answer: c**

**Explanation:**

**About Snow Leopard**

**State Animal:** It is the State animal of Himachal Pradesh

**Indicator Species:** Snow Leopard (also known as Ghost of the mountains) acts as an indicator of the health of the mountain ecosystem in which they live. It is because of their position as the top predator in the food web.

**IUCN Red list Status:**

Vulnerable (VU)

**Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act 1972:** Schedule I. It is also listed in the **Convention on Migratory Species (CMS)**.

**Source:** [Zoonotic pathogens threaten humans, snow leopards in High Asia: Policy brief](#)



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**Q.3) Building climate resilience in the Asia Pacific region report, is published by which of the following organizations?**

- a) UNEP
- b) WB
- c) IFAD
- d) UNCTAD

**Correct Answer: C**

**Explanation:**

- The report is released by IFAD.

**Source:** [Article](#)

**Q.4) With reference to new climate targets announced by India at COP26, consider the following statements:**

1. India will meet 50% of its energy requirements from non-fossil sources by 2030.
2. The total projected carbon emissions will be reduced by one billion tonnes from now onwards till 2030.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Correct Answer: B**

**Explanation**

- **Statement 1 is incorrect:** India will meet 50% of its energy requirements from renewable energy source, not non-fossil sources (both are different), by 2030.
- **Statement 2 is correct**

**Source:** [Article](#)

**Q.5) With reference to Green Grids Initiative, consider the following statements:**

1. The initiative was first developed by a joint collaboration of India and UK climate experts.
2. One Sun declaration contains the initiative's aims.
3. It will lessen the need for storage and increase the viability of solar projects.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Correct Answer: b**

**Explanation:**

- **Statement 1 is incorrect:** The Green Grids Initiative was **first developed by the Climate Parliament**, an international network of climate legislators.
- **Statement 2 is correct:** India and UK Prime Ministers presented **One Sun Declaration**, endorsed by more than 80 countries, setting out OSOWOG's aims.

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- **Statement 3 is correct:** All the energy humanity uses in a year is equal to the energy that reaches the earth from the sun in a single hour. By trading energy from sun, wind and water across borders, OSOWOG can deliver more than enough clean energy to meet the needs of everyone on earth. This will **lessen the need for storage and increase the viability of solar projects.**

Source: [Article](#)

**Q.6) With reference to The National Institute of Ocean Technology (NIOT), consider the following statements:**

1. Its aim is to develop indigenous technologies for harvesting of both non-living and living resources in the Indian Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ).
2. It is a statutory body.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Correct Answer: A**

**Explanation:**

- **Statement 1 is correct:** The aim of NIOT is to develop reliable indigenous technologies to solve various engineering problems associated with harvesting of non-living and living resources in the Indian Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) which is about two-thirds of the land area of India.
- **Statement 2 is incorrect:** The National Institute of Ocean Technology (NIOT) was established in November 1993 as an autonomous society under the Ministry of Earth Sciences, Government of India.

Source: [Article](#)

**Q.7) Which of the following cities have a glacier named after them?**

1. Kyoto
2. Rio
3. Berlin
4. Copenhagen

**Select the correct answer from the codes given below:**

- a) 1, 2, 3
- b) 2, 3, 4
- c) 1, 3, 4
- d) 1, 2, 4

**Correct Answer: A**

**Explanation**

The newly named Glaciers:

1. **Geneva** is named after the world's first climate conference in 1979. It set up the body that reviews the science - the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)
2. **Rio** commemorates the first Earth Summit in 1992 where the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) was opened for signatures

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3. **Berlin** is named after the first Conference of Parties (COP) in 1995 which assessed the progress of dealing with climate change
4. **Kyoto** commemorates the formal adoption in 1997 of the protocol that legally bound developed countries to emissions reduction targets
5. **Bali** marks the release of the IPCC fourth assessment report (AR4) in 2007. Around this time, climate science began to enter the popular consciousness
6. **Stockholm** honours the IPCC fifth assessment report (AR5) approval session in 2014. This report represented the biggest ever coming together of scientists at the time.
7. **Paris** memorialises the agreement of a legally binding treaty in 2015 that aimed to limit global temperature rise to well below 2C, preferably below 1.5C
8. **Incheon** marks the meeting of the IPCC in 2018 to consider the special report on the impacts of 1.5 degrees of warming and the difference in risks of going to 2C
9. **Glasgow** hosts the 26th UN Climate Change Conference of Parties (COP26). Its aim is to embed strong policies to realise the goals set out in Paris six years ago

Copenhagen does not have a glacier named after it yet.

**Source:** [Article](#)

**Q.8) With reference to Ganges River Dolphin, consider the following statements:**

1. It comes under Schedule 1 of Wildlife Protection Act, 1972.
2. It is listed as Endangered under IUCN Red list of species.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Correct Answer: C**

**Explanation**

**About Ganges River Dolphin**

- **Indian Wildlife (Protection), Act 1972: Schedule I.**
- **International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN): Endangered.**
- **Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES): Appendix I (most endangered).**
- **Convention on Migratory Species (CMS): Appendix II** (migratory species that need conservation and management or would significantly benefit from international co-operation).

Source: [TheHindu](#)

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### Economy

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**Q.1)** What are the advantages of **Direct Seeding of Rice (DSR)** in agriculture?

1. Save water
2. Low Seed requirement
3. Reduced methane emissions
4. Early crop maturity

Select the correct answer given below using the code given below:

- a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- b) 1, 2 and 4 only
- c) 1, 3 and 4 only
- d) 2, 3 and 4 only

**Correct Answer: C**

#### Explanation

Direct Seeding of Rice (DSR) refers to the process of establishing a rice crop from seeds sown in the field rather than by transplanting seedlings from nursery.

**Benefits of DSR:** a) Water savings b) Low Labour Cost and energy (power) c) Reduced methane emissions d) Early crop maturity and e) could be a solution to the issue of stubble burning.

**Disadvantages:** a) Seeds are exposed to rat and bird attacks b) Sowing needs to be done timely so that the plants comes out properly before the monsoon rains arrives and c) Seed requirement is also high.

Source: [Run-up to COP26: Wonder rice may help reduce emissions, offer good yield](#)

**Q.2)** With respect to revised PCA framework of RBI, consider the following statements:

1. As per the revised framework, capital, asset and profitability are key areas for monitoring the risk of a bank.
2. Payments banks and small finance banks (SFBs) have been removed from the list of lenders where prompt corrective action can be initiated.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Correct Answer: B**

#### Explanation

- **Statement 1 is incorrect:** As per the 2017 PCA framework, capital, asset quality and profitability were the key areas for monitoring the risk of a bank. The revised PCA framework has removed profitability as a parameter.
- **Statement 2 is correct**

Source: [Article](#)

**Q.3)** With reference to **SWAMIH Fund**, consider the following statements:

1. The fund has been set up as a Category-II Alternate Investment Fund registered with SEBI.
2. The central government is the investment manager of the Fund.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

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- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Correct Answer: A**

**Explanation**

**Statement 1 is correct:** SWAMIH Fund is a government-backed investment fund set up in the year 2019.

**Statement 2 is incorrect:** The Investment Manager of the Fund is SBICAP Ventures, a wholly-owned subsidiary of SBI Capital Markets. This in turn is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the State Bank of India.

Source: [Indian Express](#)

**Q.4)** With reference to **Long Range Bomb (LRB)**, consider the following statements:

1. It is India's first indigenously-developed guided bomb.
2. The bomb has a range of 100 km.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Correct Answer: C**

**Explanation**

**Statement 1 is correct:** Long Range Bomb is India's first indigenously-developed guided bomb. It will be used to attack land-based targets at a long-range with greater accuracy.

**Statement 2 is correct:** It is designed to hit targets around 100km away.

Source: [DRDO & IAF jointly flight test Long-Range Bomb successfully](#)

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### MODERN INDIA-PERSONALITIES

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**Q.1)** With reference to **Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel**, consider the following statements:

1. He is the Founder of Modern All India Services.
2. National Unity Day is celebrated every year to commemorate the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Correct Answer: C**

#### **Explanation**

**Statement 1 is correct:** Founder of Modern All India Services.

**Statement 2 is correct:** He is known as the “Iron Man of India” for playing an important role in the unification and integration of Indian princely states into the Indian Union. National Unity Day is celebrated every year on 31st October to commemorate the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. The day was celebrated for the first time in 2014.

**Source:** [PM addresses the Nation on Rashtriya Ekta Diwas](#)

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### International Relations - ORGANIZATIONS, INITIATIVES AND CAMPAIGNS - Organizations

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**Q.1)** With reference to **G20 Grouping**, Consider the following statements:

1. The G20 does not have permanent offices or employees.
2. The Sherpas Channel in G20 covers meetings between finance ministers and central bank governors.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Correct Answer: A**

**Explanation:**

**Statement 1 is correct:** The G20 does not have permanent offices or employees.

**Statement 2 is incorrect:** The Finance Channel covers meetings between finance ministers and central bank governors, as well as meetings of their second lines and working groups on financial issues. The Sherpa channel covers non-financial issues.

**Source:** [G20 grouping and its relevance – Explained, pointwise](#)

**Q.2)** With reference to **Gulf Cooperation Council**, consider the following statements:

1. It consists of members from Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Oman, UAE, Bahrain and Kuwait.
2. Iraq is the latest member country to join the GCC.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Correct Answer: A**

**Explanation**

**Statement a is correct**

**Source:** [TheHindu](#)

**Q.3)** **State of Global Climate-2021**, published by which of the following organization:

- a) International Pane for Climate Change (IPCC)
- b) World Meteorological Organization (WMO)
- c) Global Alliance on Health and Pollution (GAHP)
- d) Global Footprint Network (GFN)

**Correct Answer: B**

**Explanation**

**Statement b is correct:** WMO released the State of Climate Services report 2021. It focuses on Terrestrial Water Storage.

**Source:** [NewsonAir](#)

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**Q.4)** With reference to **G77 Group**, consider the following statements:

1. It is the largest intergovernmental organization of developing countries in the United Nations.
2. The group at present has 77 developing countries as members.
3. India is one of the members of the G77.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 and 3 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 1 and 2 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Correct Answer: a**

**Explanation:**

**Statement 1 is correct:** It is the largest intergovernmental organization of developing countries in the United Nations.

**Statement 2 is incorrect:** It was established in 1964 by 77 developing countries. The members of G-77 have increased to 134 countries. However, the original name was retained due to its historic significance.

**Statement 3 is correct:** India is one of the members of the G77.

Source: [BASIC nations underline climate finance goal](#)

**Q.5) UNSC Resolution 2601** was sometimes seen in news. The resolution is related to which of the following?

- a) Protection of borders from Terror outfits.
- b) Prohibiting Taliban from committing Human Rights violation.
- c) Protection of education in armed conflict.
- d) Banning any support to organised crime.

**Correct Answer: C**

**Explanation**

The United Nations Security Council (UNSC) has adopted a unique first-of-its-kind resolution called "Resolution 2601".

Resolution 2601 calls for the protection of education in armed conflict. It also,

-Condemns attacks against schools, children and teachers.

-Urges parties to armed conflict to immediately stop such violence and to safeguard the right to education.

-Urges the Member States to create domestic legal frameworks that should include comprehensive measures to prevent attacks and protect schools, children, teachers as well as related civilians during armed conflict and in post-conflict phases.

Source: [UNSC adopts resolution on protection of education in armed conflict](#)

**Q.6)** With reference to **East Asia Summit**, consider the following statements:

1. The summit can only be chaired by an ASEAN member country.
2. India is not the member of the East Asia Summit.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only



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- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

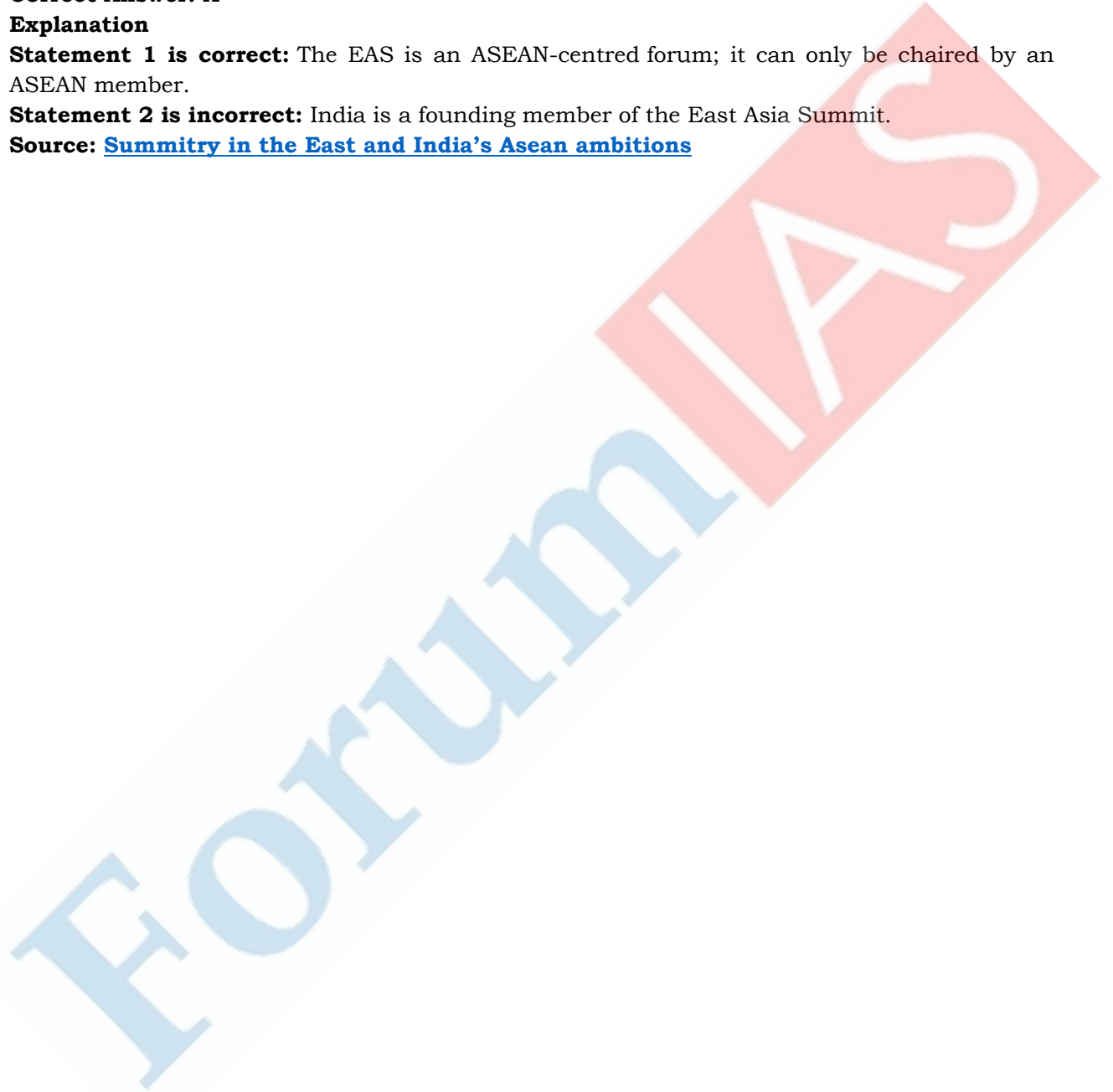
**Correct Answer: A**

**Explanation**

**Statement 1 is correct:** The EAS is an ASEAN-centred forum; it can only be chaired by an ASEAN member.

**Statement 2 is incorrect:** India is a founding member of the East Asia Summit.

**Source:** [Summitry in the East and India's Asean ambitions](#)



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### ANCIENT AND MEDIEVAL HISTORY-PERSONALITIES

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**Q.1)** With reference to **Adi Shankaracharya**, consider the following statements:

1. He is credited with the doctrine of Advaita Vedanta.
2. The followers of Shankaracharya are called as Smratas.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Correct Answer: c**

#### **Explanation**

**Statement 1 is correct:** He is associated with Maya Theory, Advaita Vedanta (Non-Dualism). This doctrine is based on the concept that the higher or true Self is identical to Brahman, the Absolute Reality. In Advaita Vedanta, Jnana yoga is the path of knowledge to Moksha, or liberation from the cycle of life, death and rebirth. This doctrine also believes that Moksha can be achieved in this life (Jivanmukthi) in contrast to other Indian philosophies that emphasize videhamukti, or Moksha after death

**Statement 2 is correct:** The followers of Shankaracharya are known as Smratas.

**Source:** [Indian Express](#)

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### Science and Technology

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**Q.1)** With reference to India, the terms ‘Sagar Nidhi, Sagar Manjusha, Sagar Kanya’ pertain to

- Attack Submarines
- Research Vessels
- Off-shore Patrol Vehicles
- New fish species

**Correct Answer: B**

**Explanation:**

Research Vessel (Ships) is an important tool for ocean research and the development of ocean technology. The Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES) has at present has 6 ships namely Sagar Nidhi, Sagar Manjusha, Sagar Kanya, Sagar Sampada, Sagar Tara and Sagar Anveshika.

Source: [Union Minister visits Indian Subcontinent’s Pioneer Research Vessel Ship “Sagar Nidhi” and interacts with top Scientists on the deck](#)

**Q.2) With reference to Metaverse, consider the following statements:**

- It is a network of always-on virtual environments in which people can interact with one another and digital objects through virtual representations of themselves.
- Open Metaverse Interoperability Group define the standards to enable interoperability of platforms and services across the metaverse.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

**Correct Answer: c**

**Explanation**

**Both statements are correct.**

- The “metaverse” is a network of always-on **virtual environments** in which many **people can interact** with one another and digital objects **through virtual representations** of themselves.
- There are **3 key aspects of the metaverse**: presence, interoperability and standardization.
- Presence** is the feeling of actually being in a virtual space, with virtual others. This sense of presence is achieved through virtual reality (VR) technologies such as head-mounted displays. It improves the quality of online interactions.
- Interoperability** means being able to seamlessly travel between virtual spaces with the same virtual assets. That is, one virtual representation created, can be used in different virtual worlds.
- Standardization**-These are common technological standards are essential for widespread adoption. This **enables interoperability** of platforms and services across the metaverse.
- International organizations such as the “**Open Metaverse Interoperability Group**” define these standards.

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Source: [Article](#)

**Q.3) With reference to polarized light, consider the following statements:**

1. It is made up of waves with vibrations at only one angle.
2. Planets going around stars other than the Sun can be studied by observing the polarization of light.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Correct Answer: C**

**Explanation:**

**Both statements are correct.**

- Light is a transverse wave. It vibrates up and down as it travels forwards. But 'up' and 'down' are not fixed directions. The vibrations could be vertical, horizontal or at any angle in between. However, Polarised light is made up of waves with vibrations at only one angle.
- Indian Astronomers have found a new method to understand the atmosphere of extrasolar planets. They have shown that planets going around stars other than the Sun can be studied by observing the polarisation of light and studying polarisation signatures.

Source: [Article](#)

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### ART AND CULTURE – FESTIVAL DANCE AND OTHERS - OTHERS

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**Q.1) Which of the following correctly describes the term Khatduh?**

- Naming ceremony of a new born carried out during the Gupta Age.
- Dancing ritual practiced in the mountainous regions of Garhwal.
- The youngest daughter in the tribal matrilineal system of Khasis, Jaintias and Garos.
- A medicinal herb recently discovered from the Western Ghats.

**Correct Answer: C**

**Explanation:**

- The three tribes of Meghalaya — Khasis, Jaintias, and Garos — practise a matrilineal system of inheritance.
- In this system, lineage and descent are traced through the mother's clan. In other words, children take the mother's surname, the husband moves into his wife's house, and the youngest daughter (**khatduh**) of the family is handed over the full share of the ancestral — or the clan's — property.

**Source:** [Article](#)

**Q.2) With reference to Khasi community, consider the following statements:**

- They live mainly in the State of Sikkim.
- They are kept in the category of Scheduled Tribes.
- They practiced a matrilineal system of inheritance.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- 1 and 3 only
- 1 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1, 2 and 3

**Correct Answer: C**

**Explanation**

**Statement a is incorrect:** The Khasi people are an ethnic group of **Meghalaya in north-eastern India** with a significant population in the bordering state of Assam, and in certain parts of Bangladesh.

**Statement b is correct:** Under the Constitution of India, the Khasis have been granted the status of Scheduled Tribe.

**Statement c is correct:** **Khasis** practise a matrilineal system of inheritance. In this system, lineage and descent are traced through the mother's clan. In other words, children take the mother's surname, the husband moves into his wife's house, and the youngest daughter (**khatduh**) of the family is handed over the full share of the ancestral — or the clan's — property.

**Source:** [A proposed Bill and its possible ramifications in matrilineal Meghalaya](#)

**Q.3) With reference to Bhasha Sangam Initiative, Consider the following statements:**

- Under the initiative, school students will learn basic sentences of everyday usage in 22 Indian languages.
- It is an initiative of Ministry of Culture.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

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- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

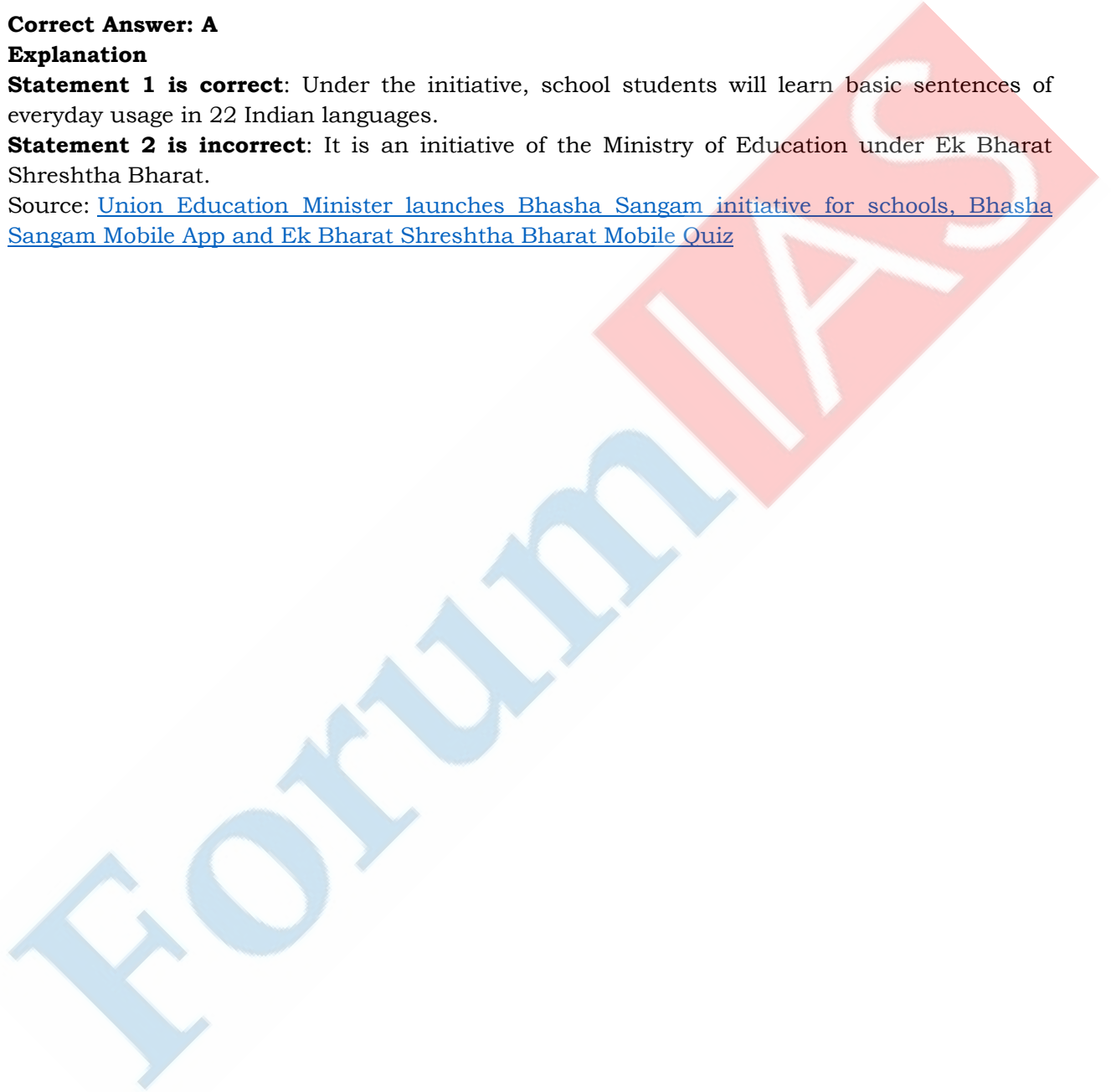
**Correct Answer: A**

**Explanation**

**Statement 1 is correct:** Under the initiative, school students will learn basic sentences of everyday usage in 22 Indian languages.

**Statement 2 is incorrect:** It is an initiative of the Ministry of Education under Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat.

Source: [Union Education Minister launches Bhasha Sangam initiative for schools, Bhasha Sangam Mobile App and Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Mobile Quiz](#)



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### **POLITY-VARIOUS BODIES-COMMITTEE**

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**Q.1)** With reference to **Public Accounts Committee**, consider the following statements:

1. It consists of members of Lok Sabha only.
2. The term of office of the members is one year.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Correct Answer: b**

**Explanation:**

**Statement 1 is incorrect:** PAC has 22 members. All the members are taken from the Indian Parliament. Out of 22 members, 15 are elected from Lok Sabha (Lower House) and 7 members are elected from Rajya Sabha (Upper House).

**Statement 2 is correct:** Term of office is 1 year.

**Source:** [Indian Express](#)